

## Resolution 2023-38

### A Resolution Calling for the Return of the March Idaho Presidential Primary

**Submitted by:** Clinton Daniel, IDGOP Region 2 Chair

**Co-signed by:** (Listed below)

**Passed by:** Idaho Republican State Central Committee June 24rd 2023

**WHEREAS,** Idaho leads the nation as a deep red Republican state and the most conservative western state in the union; and

**WHEREAS,** Idaho Republican voters deserve to have their voices heard on the national stage as early as practical for the nomination of our Republican Presidential Candidate; and

**WHEREAS,** delaying Idaho's Presidential Primary too late in the election season will greatly diminish Idaho Republican voters' significance and influence with the candidates over issues that are important to all Idahoans; and

**WHEREAS,** an early March Presidential Primary elevates issues important to Idahoans and attracts significant campaign resources from national candidates, offsetting the cost of the election; and

**WHEREAS,** democrats are firmly in favor of delaying the Republican Presidential Primary to reduce the influence of conservative Idaho Republican voices in the national debate; and

**WHEREAS,** despite efforts of the Idaho Republican Party and its grassroots members to save the March Presidential Primary, a bill was passed by the Idaho legislature that eliminated the Presidential primary altogether; and

**WHEREAS,** the Idaho Republican Party pledges to keep Idaho voters relevant in selecting the GOP Presidential nominee by scheduling the delegate selection process during March of the Presidential Primary years; and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Idaho Republican Party urges Governor Little and our Idaho legislators to call a special session to repeal HB138 and restore Idaho's March Presidential Primary; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that should our legislators fail to repeal HB138 and restore Idaho's March Presidential primary, then the Idaho Republican Party shall enact such rules and as needed and practical to provide for Idaho Republican voters to participate in the selection of delegates in March to the Republican National Convention and therefore the Republican nominee for President of the United States.

**Co-Signed by:**

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