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2026-02	Resolution in Opposition to Men in Women's Locker Rooms and Calling for Criminal Prohibitions	Adopted
2026-03	Honoring and Remembering Charlie Kirk	Adopted
2026-04	Resolution Calling for Combining the May Election in Odd Numbered Years into the November Elections in Odd Numbered Years in the State of Idaho	Adopted
2026-05	Resolution to Prohibit Sharia in Idaho Courts and Government Proceedings	Adopted
2026-06	Resolution Condemning Multi-Subject Legislation by the Idaho Legislature	Adopted
2026-07	Resolution to Amend the Idaho Constitution re: Education & Public-School Attendance	Adopted
2026-08	Resolution for Idaho Education Accountability Act	Removed due to Rule Violation
2026-09	Resolution to Ban Foreign Government Purchases of Idaho Homes, Businesses, and Non-Agricultural Land	Adopted
2026-10	Resolution to Adopt and Enforce Immigration Laws that Hold Employers of Illegal Immigrants in the State of Idaho Accountable	Adopted
2026-11	Resolution for Improved Rural Representation in the Library Districts	Adopted
2026-12	Resolution for Campus Self-Defense Protection Act	Adopted
2026-13	Resolution Opposing Statutory or Regulatory Indemnification of Private Entities, Contractors, and Researchers Operation in Idaho	Removed due to Rule Violation
2026-14	Resolution Requesting Legislation for the Protection and Management of Public Lands within the State of Idaho	Adopted as Amended
2026-15	Resolution Regarding Taxpayer Support for Teachers Unions	Adopted
2026-16	Resolutions for Equitable Local Service Funding within Tribal Reservation Boundaries	Postponed 6 months
2026-17	Resolution Urging a Constitutional Amendment to Replace All State Taxes with a Sales Tax and Reduce Government Spending in Alignment with the Idaho State Constitution	Adopted
2026-18	Resolution to Cut \$1.1 Billion in Non-Constitutional Spending from the Idaho State Budget	Adopted as Amended
2026-19	Resolution to Return the United States of America to a Constitutional Money System of Commodity Backed Money	Adopted

2026-20	Resolution Regarding Ending Weaponization of Labels and Government	Rejected
2026-21	Resolution to Prohibit Pornography in the State of Idaho	Rejected
2026-22	Keep Idaho's Water - 750k by 2100	Adopted
2026-23	Resolution Calling for a Posthumous Pardon for Randy Weaver and Justice for the Weaver Family	Adopted
2026-24	Every Child a Swimmer	Withdrawn
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Resolution: 2026-01

Title: Resolution to Provide Support Staff for Legislators

Submitted by: Phil Hart (Shoshone County State Committeeman) and James Devlin

Passed by: Shoshone County Republican Central Committee, November 18, 2025

To be Presented by: Phil Hart

WHEREAS, Federalist Paper #51 states "In republican government, the legislative authority necessarily predominates"; and,

WHEREAS, the Declaration of Independence states that "government gets its just powers from the consent of the governed"; and,

WHEREAS, in the Constitution, the Legislative Branch makes the laws, the Executive Branch enforces the law, and the Judicial Branch resolves controversies regarding the law, making the branch that writes the law dominate the three branches; and,

WHEREAS, Idaho is one of only three states in the nation that does not provide personal or year-round staff support to its legislators; and,

WHEREAS, the budget of Idaho's legislative branch is only one seven hundredth of the total budget for all of Idaho's state government, causing Idaho's legislative branch to be the weakest of the three branches; and,

WHEREAS, Legislators are expected to review complex legislation, respond to constituent needs, analyze state budgets, and develop sound policy — often while maintaining other employment as their legislative salary is \$25,000 a year; and,

WHEREAS, the lack of dedicated staff results in increased reliance on lobbyists, special interest groups, and partisan organizations for information and research; and,

WHEREAS, the vast majority of legislation in Idaho is written by executive branch agencies or lobbyists as Idaho legislators lack the resources to keep up with all of their responsibilities; and,

WHEREAS, access to qualified, dedicated staff would improve legislative efficiency, transparency, responsiveness, and the overall quality of governance in the state of Idaho and would empower the legislative branch to be more of an equal branch of government; and,

WHEREAS, providing minimal staff support would not constitute government overreach, but rather equip elected legislators to fulfill their constitutional duties more effectively on behalf of their constituents;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Idaho Republican State Central Committee supports the creation of a dedicated legislative staff, whereby each elected legislator is allocated a qualified aide to assist with:

- Legislative research and bill drafting,
- Constituent communication and casework,
- Scheduling and administrative duties,
- Policy analysis and district-specific support

Resolution: 2026-02

Title: Resolution in Opposition to Men in Women's Locker Rooms and Calling for Criminal Prohibitions

Submitted by: Scott Herndon, Bonner County Chair

Passed by: Bonner County Republican Central Committee, November 18, 2025

To be Presented by: Daniel Vaniman, Bonner County State Committeeman

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2025, lifeguard Jennifer Hook entered the women's locker room at the Sandpoint Litehouse YMCA and discovered a biological male, partially dressed in women's clothing, using that female changing facility; and,

WHEREAS, the Sandpoint Litehouse YMCA confirmed that the events as reported by Ms. Hook did, in fact, occur; and,

WHEREAS, the Sandpoint Litehouse YMCA confirmed in writing that it is their official policy to ALLOW men who "identify" as women to invade the privacy of the women's multi-occupancy locker rooms and bathrooms; and,

WHEREAS, the concept of "gender identity" is a fraud being perpetrated on the members of the YMCA by the YMCA's management; and,

WHEREAS, there are only two biological sexes, male and female, and once made by God, human beings cannot alter their scientific biology, which includes their parts and chromosomes that delineate the difference between the two sexes; and,

WHEREAS, true women feel violated and traumatized by male predators that would invade their privacy, safety and security in women-only facilities; and,

WHEREAS, the Sandpoint Litehouse YMCA has not taken responsibility for this invasion of the dignity of our community's women, and instead they have blamed the City of Sandpoint's non-discrimination ordinance; and,

WHEREAS, the ordinance of the city does not actually demand that men be allowed to use women's locker rooms and bathrooms but could certainly be used to manipulate good people to believe that; and,

WHEREAS, Idaho's indecent exposure laws and trespassing privacy (peeping Tom) misdemeanor and felony criminal laws are both not directly on-point to address this "transgender" fraud; and,

WHEREAS, it is evil to allow the tyranny of a minority (for example, one man) to invade the reasonable privacy and security of girls and women;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee condemns the policy, cowardice and inaction of the Sandpoint Litehouse YMCA's management as it related to this repugnant YMCA policy and resulting incident; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Idaho State Republican Central Committee supports the City of Sandpoint's recent changes to city code to clarify that such code does not provide cover for men to violate the dignity of authentic women in their bathrooms and changing facilities; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Idaho State Republican Central Committee calls upon the Idaho legislature to immediately pass a criminal statute that prohibits people from knowingly and willfully using the multi-occupancy changing facilities, bathrooms and sleeping quarters of the biological sex that is not consistent with their own sex as defined in section 73-114 of Idaho Code; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that we direct the State Chair to request the Idaho GOP Legislative Liaisons to work with their fellow legislators to ensure passage of such legislation during the 2026 legislative session.

Resolution: 2026-03

Title: Resolution Honoring and Remembering Charlie Kirk

Submitted by: Chris Trakel, Canyon County Chair

Passed by: Canyon County Central Committee, September 16, 2025

To be presented by: Chris Trakel

WHEREAS, Charlie Kirk was a steadfast defender of his Christian faith, conservative principles, limited government, free markets, and individual liberty; and,

WHEREAS, as founder and president of Turning Point USA, he dedicated his life to educating and empowering young Americans to embrace the values of faith, family, and freedom; and,

WHEREAS, Charlie Kirk visited Idaho on multiple occasions, speaking to students, grassroots activists, and community leaders, leaving a lasting impression on the people of our state and encouraging Idaho's youth to stand strong for conservative values; and,

WHEREAS, through his writings, speeches, and media presence, he championed America's founding ideals, and defended the Constitution; and,

WHEREAS, Charlie Kirk's influence reached far beyond his generation, inspiring a movement of young conservatives in Idaho and across the nation to remain vigilant in defense of liberty; and,

WHEREAS, the Idaho Republican Party and the Canyon County Republican Central Committee recognizes that his work and his legacy will continue to bear fruit for many years to come;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee honors and remembers Charlie Kirk for his leadership, vision, and commitment to America's founding principles; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee expresses gratitude for his visits to Idaho and the inspiration he gave to our people, particularly the rising generation of conservative leaders; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the permanent records of the Idaho Republican Party and be shared with his family and Turning Point USA in recognition of his extraordinary life, service, and enduring impact on Idaho and the nation.

Resolution: 2026-04

Title: Resolution Calling for Combining the May Election in Odd Numbered Years into The November Elections in Odd Numbered Years in the State of Idaho

Submitted by: Michael Hon, Ada County State Committeeman

Passed by: Ada County Republican Central Committee, October 9, [20262025](#)

To be presented by: Michael Hon

WHEREAS, the May 21st, 2025, election garnered a 13% statewide voter participation and an 8% registered voter participation in Ada County, the largest county in Idaho; and,

WHEREAS, the May 21st, 2025, election was run in only 37 of the 44 counties in Idaho; and,

WHEREAS, the cost to Idaho state and counties was approximately \$1,500,000 with smaller counties spending \$10,000 to \$50,000 and the largest county, Ada, spending between \$500,000 and \$800,000; and,

WHEREAS, the cost of this election clearly outweighs the benefits from a perspective of low participation and election fatigue; and,

WHEREAS, the November election in odd years garners more voter participation to focus on fire district levies, library trustees, highway districts, sewer districts, water districts, bonds, and levies;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee calls for the Idaho State Legislature to amend election laws to eliminate the May election in odd numbered years and fold those elections into the November election of odd numbered years; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the passage of this resolution, the Chairman shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the State Legislature for the 2026 legislative session.

Resolution: 2026-05

Title: Resolution to Prohibit Sharia in Idaho Courts and Government Proceedings

Submitted by: Matt Edwards, Jeff Tyler, LD5 Chair

Passed by: Kootenai County Central Committee November 25, 2025

To be presented by: Jeff Tyler

WHEREAS, the United States of America is founded upon the principles of a constitutional republic, which stands as the longest-standing and greatest form of government in world history, embodying American exceptionalism through its commitment to individual liberty, the rule of law, and a representative republic chosen through a democratic process; and,

WHEREAS, this constitutional framework ensures that all laws and judicial decisions are rooted in American jurisprudence, free from foreign or incompatible legal systems that could undermine our sovereignty and fundamental rights; and,

WHEREAS, the Islamic law, known as Sharia, derived from Islamic religious texts, means the set of rules, precepts, instructions, or edicts which are said to emanate directly or indirectly from the god of Allah or the prophet Mohammed and which include directly or indirectly the encouragement of any person to support the abrogation, destruction, or violation of the United States or Idaho Constitutions, or the destruction of the national existence of the United States or the sovereignty of this state, and which includes among other methods to achieve these ends, the likely use of imminent violence; and,

WHEREAS, Sharia represents a comprehensive legal and social code that in many applications conflicts with American values, including equality under the law, freedom of speech, and protections against cruel and unusual punishment; and,

WHEREAS, several states have recognized the potential incompatibility of Sharia with American jurisprudence and have enacted legislation to prohibit its use in courts or government proceedings, including Alabama, Arizona, Kansas, Louisiana, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Dakota, and Tennessee; and,

WHEREAS, recent years have seen a rise in the prominence of Islamic political figures in the United States, including in high-profile elections, which raises concerns about the promotion of ideologies that may prioritize Sharia over contradictory constitutional principles; and,

WHEREAS, in the 2025 New York City mayor's race, Muslim candidate Zohran Mamdani has been elected mayor, prompting discussions about the integration of Islamic perspectives into American governance and sparking backlash over potential ideological influences; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor of Mountain Home has remarked that the Qatari presence at the Mountain Home air force base would be a contribution to community diversity, potentially overlooking risks associated with ideologies that include adherence to Sharia principles; and,

WHEREAS, instances across the United States have demonstrated perceived threats from Sharia, such as attempts to apply it in family court disputes, arbitration agreements, and community practices that conflict with state laws on issues like polygamy, inheritance, and women's rights, leading to legislative responses in states like Texas and Arkansas; and,

WHEREAS, proponents of anti-Sharia measures, including U.S. Senator Tommy Tuberville of Alabama, have warned that Islamic extremism, including the promotion of Sharia, poses a significant threat to American security and values, emphasizing the need to eradicate such influences; and

WHEREAS, additional examples of Sharia-related concerns include reports of "Sharia patrols" in certain U.S. communities enforcing religious codes informally, and legal challenges where foreign Sharia rulings were cited in U.S. courts before being rejected, underscoring the need for proactive safeguards; and,

WHEREAS, allowing any form of Sharia adherence in Idaho's state or local institutions would represent a destructive ideology incompatible with our constitutional republic, threatening the exceptionalism that has made America a beacon of freedom;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Idaho Republican State Central Committee that we call upon the Idaho State Legislature to introduce and pass legislation explicitly banning the implementation, recognition, or adherence to Sharia in any state or local court, government agency, or public institution within Idaho; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this legislation should prohibit the use of Sharia principles in any legal proceedings, arbitration, or administrative decisions, ensuring that all governance remains firmly grounded in American Constitutional law.

Resolution: 2026-06

Title: Resolution Condemning Multi-Subject Legislation by the Idaho Legislature

Submitted by: David Wenk, Boundary County Chair

Passed by: Boundary County Republican Central Committee, September 8, 2025

To be presented by: ~~David Wenk~~Caleb Davis

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 16 of the Idaho Constitution provides that “Every act shall embrace but one subject and matters properly connected therewith, which subject shall be expressed in the title,” a provision meant to uphold transparency, accountability, and the republican principle of representative government; and,

WHEREAS, at the federal level, U.S. Representative Russ Fulcher (ID-1) has introduced the One Subject at a Time Act, legislation that would require each bill or joint resolution to embrace no more than one clearly expressed subject, mirroring Idaho’s constitutional safeguard and underscoring the growing recognition that single-subject requirements are essential to transparent, accountable lawmaking; and,

WHEREAS, the single-subject rule is a longstanding safeguard against legislative practices such as logrolling—where unrelated or unpopular measures are bundled with essential legislation to compel passage—thereby protecting both the public interest and the deliberative process of lawmaking, and guarding against political pressure that forces legislators to vote for objectionable provisions in order to support broadly popular ones; and,

WHEREAS, even when bills pursue goals supported by many Idahoans, including the promotion of election integrity and family values, those goals are undermined when legislation is packaged in a way that violates the spirit—if not the letter—of Idaho’s constitutional framework; and,

WHEREAS, this legislative practice diminishes transparency, limits the ability of legislators and the public to weigh individual policy provisions on their own merits, and erodes trust in the legislative process;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee affirms its support for the single-subject rule as stated in the Idaho Constitution and calls upon all Idaho legislators to adhere strictly to its intent; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Committee condemns the practice of combining multiple unrelated or loosely related provisions in a single piece of legislation and urges the Idaho Legislature to cease this practice immediately; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the Idaho House and the President Pro Tempore of the Idaho Senate.

Resolution: 2026-07

Title: Resolution to Amend the Idaho Constitution re: Education & Public-School Attendance

Submitted by: Hannah Herndon, Bonner County State Youth Committee Person

Passed by: Bonner County Republican Central Committee, January 28, 2025

To be presented by: Scott Herndon, Bonner County Chair

Whereas, the Idaho Constitution in Section 9, Article IX grants the legislature authority to require by law that every child shall attend the public schools of the state, throughout the period between the ages of six and eighteen years, unless educated by other means; and,

Whereas, such a law forcing children to attend state public schools is repugnant to the inalienable right of liberty on which our nation was founded; and,

Whereas, such a requirement would violate the Free Exercise clause of the First Amendment of the United States Constitution and the right of parents and guardians to educate their children as they choose; and,

Whereas, the Idaho Republican Party Platform upholds the principles of freedom, limited government and the right of parents and guardians to educate their children as they choose;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee urges the Legislature to adopt the following Joint Resolution in the House and the Senate, to secure the appearance of the following Amendment to the Idaho State Constitution on the ballot in November 2026:

That Section 9, Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Idaho be amended to read as follows:

Section 9. ~~COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL. EDUCATION BY OTHER MEANS.~~ The legislature may require by law that every child shall attend the public schools of the state, throughout the period between the ages of six and eighteen years, unless educated by other means, as provided by law. The right of the people to educate their children without government regulation outside of the public schools of the state shall not be infringed.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that we direct the State Chair to request the Idaho GOP Legislative Liaisons to work with their fellow legislators to ensure passage of such constitutional amendment during the 2026 legislative session.

Resolution: 2026-09

Title: Resolution to Ban Foreign Government Purchases of Idaho Homes, Businesses and Non-Agricultural Land

Submitted by: Bill Hobbs, Nez Perce County Republican Central Committee Chairman

Passed by: Nez Perce County Republican Central Committee on October 30, 2025

To be presented by: Heather Blount

WHEREAS, the United States of America was founded on the ideals of independence, self-determination, and the right of citizens to govern their own economic and political future; and,

WHEREAS, foreign ownership of homes, businesses, farmland, forests, mineral rights, and water rights within Idaho undermines these principles by placing essential resources under the control of interests outside the authority of the American people; and,

WHEREAS, foreign ownership of residential property drives up housing costs, reduces availability for Idaho families, and places community stability at risk; and,

WHEREAS, foreign ownership of businesses shifts profits, decision-making, and economic benefits overseas rather than strengthening Idaho's local economy and workforce; and,

WHEREAS, such practices are not in alignment with "America First" principles, which hold that American land, homes, and businesses should be preserved for American citizens and serve the prosperity of our state and nation first; and,

WHEREAS, Idaho has already taken important steps by restricting foreign governments and foreign adversaries from owning agricultural land, forest land, water rights, mining claims, or mineral rights, but gaps remain concerning residential and commercial properties;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Idaho Republican State Central Committee that all purchases, acquisitions, or controlling interests in private homes, business, non-agricultural land, state land, or federal land in Idaho by foreign governments, foreign state-controlled enterprises, or their agents, including those from countries designated as foreign adversaries, must be stopped; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Idaho State Legislature is urged to enact legislation prohibiting such purchases, requiring divestiture of existing holdings within 180 days, and establishing enforcement mechanisms, including penalties and whistleblower incentives, to ensure compliance; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we direct the State Chairman to request the Idaho GOP Legislative Liaisons to work with their fellow legislators to ensure passage of such legislation and that copies be distributed to the Governor of Idaho, the Idaho State Legislature, and other relevant state agencies to promote immediate action on this critical issue.

Resolution: 2026-10

Title: Resolution to Adopt and Enforce Immigration Laws that Hold Employers of Illegal Immigrants in the State of Idaho Accountable

Submitted by: Nick Woods, Region 3 Chairman

Passed by: Nez Perce County Republican Central Committee on October 30, 2025

To be presented by: Dan Crawford

WHEREAS, there is a significant number of illegal immigrants that reside and work in the state of Idaho, estimated from 42,000 to 62,000 according to recent statistics; and,

WHEREAS, the number of illegal immigrants in Idaho comprises 2.5% to 3% of the state's population, or 1 in every 30 to 40 residents; and,

WHEREAS, recent studies have shown the cost to Idaho taxpayers for every illegal immigrant residing in the state is over \$4,880, costing Idaho citizens more than \$400 million dollars per year; and,

WHEREAS, Idaho citizens pay most of the \$11,000 per student cost to provide free K-12 education to the children of illegal immigrants, draining school district resources; and,

WHEREAS, an estimated 59% of illegal immigrant households use one or more major welfare programs, compared to just 39% of those headed by U.S. citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Immigration and Reform Act of 1986, Part A titled *Employment: Section 274A Making Employment of Unauthorized Aliens Unlawful*, provides definitions, regulations, civil and criminal penalties and verification requirements for employers; and,

WHEREAS, the state of Idaho has not adopted these laws as state laws, thereby inhibiting local enforcement and creating a financial burden for Idaho taxpayers, negatively impacting resources and the well-being of Idahoans;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee support the adoption of the laws outlined in Part A Section 274A of the Immigration Reform Act of 1986 as Idaho state law, and the enforcement of civil and criminal penalties for employers that continue to hire illegal immigrants; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we direct the State Chairman to request the Idaho GOP Legislative Liaisons to work with their fellow legislators to ensure passage of such legislation.

Resolution: 2026-11

Title: Resolution for Improved Rural Representation in the Library Districts

Submitted by: Martin Shaw, Latah County Chair

Passed by: Latah County GOP Central Committee, August 26, 2025

To be presented by: Colton Bennett, Latah County Youth Committeeperson

WHEREAS, rural residents compose more than 40% of voters in Latah County and pay significant portions of tax revenue to fund the Library District and yet are not represented by even a single rural resident of their choice on the Library Board; and,

WHEREAS, Moscow liberals constitute, or have selected, all of the 5-member board which has repeatedly enacted policies contrary to the will of rural Latah County voters who have, for their part, repeatedly voted against the incumbent board members; and,

WHEREAS, should the Latah County Library district have trustee zones, at least 2 of the 5 seats would be occupied by a more conservative rural resident; and,

WHEREAS, Idaho Code 33-2718 vests the Library Board as the sole power capable of initiating the process of creating trustee zones, and the Latah County Library Board will almost certainly never take such an action that would unseat some of their members and/or cede representation to the rural voters; and,

WHEREAS, geographic representation is an American principle found in almost every elected office in Idaho, from the Legislature and School Boards to County Commissioners and Central Committees;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee calls upon the legislature to amend Idaho Code 33-2718 and adopt an alternative process for creating library trustee zones, whereby the people of Idaho Library Districts may seek the creation of trustee zones outside of the jurisdiction Library Board (i.e. a petition that could be submitted to the County Commissioners); and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee calls upon the Latah County Library District and other Library Districts which have suppressed rural influence on

their boards—all the while guzzling rural tax dollars—to create trustee zones prior to the next election; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution shall be transmitted to the Latah County Library Board, and the Idaho GOP Legislative liaisons. The attached addendum shall be transmitted to the legislative liaison as a possible framework for amending Idaho Code.

Resolution: 2026-12

Title: Resolution for Campus Self-Defense Protection Act

Submitted by: Martin Shaw, Latah County Chair

Passed by: Latah County GOP Central Committee, October 28, 2025

To be presented by: Becky Loomis, Latah County PCO, Idaho State Committeewoman

WHEREAS, Boise State University's policies prohibit all weapons on campus, including non-lethal defensive tools such as stun devices, and Byrna launchers; and,

WHEREAS, this policy prevents parents from equipping their student with the protection they need to defend themselves, leaving them vulnerable in a setting where students, particularly young women, face an elevated risk of assault, harassment, and crime; and,

WHEREAS, the right to self-defense is a natural right recognized by the U.S. Constitution and affirmed in the Second Amendment, which guarantees the right of the people to keep and bear arms; and,

WHEREAS, the Ninth Amendment further protects unenumerated rights retained by the people, including the fundamental right to defend one's life; and,

WHEREAS, the Fourteenth Amendment ensures equal protection under the law, which should not vanish for students simply because they reside or study on private institutional property; and,

WHEREAS, outright bans on lawful defensive tools do not stop crime but instead create "rights-restricted zones" that disarm law-abiding citizens while doing little to deter those intent on doing harm;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee supports legislation to ensure that individuals, including students on public college campuses, retain the right to possess and carry lawful self-defense tools, including non-lethal options, for their personal protection; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we direct the State Chairman to request the Idaho GOP liaisons to work with fellow legislators to introduce and pass legislation that protects the right to self-defense on institutional property in Idaho.

Resolution: 2026-14

Title: Resolution Requesting Legislation for the Protection and Management of Public Lands within the State of Idaho

Submitted by: Eric Parker, Blaine County State Committeeman

Passed by: Blaine County Republican Central Committee, October 8, 2025

To be presented by: Eric Parker

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho retains lawful jurisdictional control over all lands within its borders unless jurisdiction is formally ceded to the United States through the Enclave Clause process (U.S. Constitution, Article I, Section 8, Clause 17), and therefore Idaho maintains the constitutional authority to legislate for the protection of vested rights, multiple use, and the prioritization of county land use plans; and,

WHEREAS, the county land use plans serve as the established best management practices within each county as contemplated by Congress in requiring federal agencies to cooperate and coordinate with local governments to guard against outcomes adverse to the security of the state and the overall interests of its citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho has never ceded such jurisdiction wholesale, and therefore it is constitutionally sound for the Legislature to enact laws governing land use, vested rights, public access, multiple use, public lands, and coordination with county land use plans within Idaho's borders; and,

WHEREAS, Idahoans depend on access to land and resources for their livelihoods, including grazing, timber, mining, recreation, and water use; and,

WHEREAS, from the earliest Organic Acts governing forest reserves, Congress directed that lands be managed to secure timber supply, mineral extraction, and water flows for the people, and subsequent acts — including the Stock Raising Homestead Act of 1916 and the Taylor Grazing Act of 1934 — recognized split-estate rights such as forage, water, mineral claims, access, and improvements as vested property interests and not mere federal privileges, and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA) expressly preserved those rights in its §701 savings clauses, confirming that no pre-existing property rights or valid uses were altered or extinguished unless Congress specifically repealed them; and,

WHEREAS, the management of land and resources has always been inseparable from state security and, by extension, national security, since a people who cannot feed themselves, supply their own lumber, or develop their own energy and critical minerals are left dependent on outside powers, and thus it is the duty of the State of Idaho to ensure that land policy supports food security, resource independence, economic stability, and the defense of its citizens and communities; and,

WHEREAS, “public lands” make up nearly two-thirds of Idaho, vast portions of each county, and most of these lands are legally designated as split estate; and,

WHEREAS, Idahoans are forced into a defensive posture as federal priorities swing between industrial projects such as massive wind farms or conservation lockups when one party is in power and a fire sale for development when the other is; and,

WHEREAS, federal mismanagement and shifting bureaucratic rules have led to catastrophic wildfires, economic harm to counties, and the erosion of beneficial use as the guiding principle of land stewardship; and,

WHEREAS, federal agencies have closed or restricted hundreds of thousands of miles of roads across national forest and BLM lands, systematically curtailing motorized public access, isolating communities from the very lands that sustain them, and undermining the state’s ability to ensure balanced multiple use, while also creating severe hazards by restricting local fire response access and contributing to catastrophic wildfires; and,

WHEREAS, the outdoor recreation and tourism economy is a cornerstone of both Blaine County and Idaho as a whole, contributing over \$3.7 billion annually to the state economy, supporting approximately 37,000 jobs, and serving as the primary economic driver for many rural counties—making reliable and expansive public access to natural lands not just a quality-of-life issue, but an economic necessity; and,

WHEREAS, county governments and sheriffs retain jurisdiction and must be empowered to enforce county land use plans, safeguard access, and ensure that local economies are not sacrificed to unilateral Executive policies; and,

WHEREAS, repeated efforts by western states, including Utah, to challenge federal land ownership in the courts have been rejected, making it clear that litigation will not resolve these issues, and confirming that the true path forward lies in state legislation — for it is through

lawmaking, not lawsuits, that Idaho can exercise its jurisdiction, protect vested rights, and secure the interests of its citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the State and its counties — as the representative bodies closest to the people directly affected — must reclaim their duty to manage through legislation for stability; and,

WHEREAS, Idahoans deserve solutions that address these problems directly without unintentionally weakening Idaho's position by prioritizing one aspect of historical land management over others;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee calls upon the Idaho Legislature to exercise its retained jurisdiction and enact statutory law to:

- Affirm and protect vested split-estate rights — including forage, water, access, and improvements — as property interests of Idaho citizens, not federal privileges;
- Codify multiple use as the governing principle of Idaho land management, balancing economic viability, resource development, recreation, and conservation, without allowing broad conservation mandates to override productive use;
- Require full coordination with county land use plans and recognize county governments and sheriffs as the primary enforcers of access and management decisions, establishing county land use plans as the operative best management practices;
- Prioritize wildfire mitigation through active management, grazing, and timber harvest consistent with beneficial use and local needs; and
- Safeguard public access to Idaho lands as an economic necessity and cultural cornerstone, while protecting vested property rights against erosion or redefinition by shifting federal policies; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee affirms statutory reform as the proper and constitutional vehicle for addressing these challenges, recognizing that litigation has failed to restore state control, and that it is through legislation that Idaho can secure its jurisdiction, protect its people, and ensure the security and prosperity of future generations.

Resolution: 2026-15

Title: Resolution Regarding Taxpayer Support for Teachers Unions

Submitted by: Brian Almon, LD 14 Chair

Passed by: Region V Committee, November 7, 2025

To be presented by: Brian Almon

WHEREAS, the National Education Association (NEA), the largest teachers' union in the country, has been described by the Wall Street Journal editorial board as "the ideological and institutional vanguard of progressive politics" and "a powerful wing of the Democratic Party"; and,

WHEREAS, the Idaho Education Association is the Idaho state affiliate of the NEA; and,

WHEREAS, 93 percent of the 2024 general election spending by political action committees connected to the IEA supported Democratic candidates; and,

WHEREAS, the IEA endorsed Proposition 1 in 2024; and,

WHEREAS, the IEA is a member and annual contributor to the Idaho Progressive Investor Network, a dark-money organization working to advance progressive policy and politics in Idaho; and,

WHEREAS, the IEA's 2024 Summer Institute professional development conference for teachers: (1) featured a keynote presentation by a Democrat state representative who criticized Idaho's pro-life laws and attacked her Republican colleagues by name; (2) promoted LGBTQ+ advocacy; (3) involved a presentation by a union official who has compared conservatives to the Taliban; and (4) included classes as part of the NEA's "Leaders for a Just Society" program, which is part of the union's efforts to advance the concepts of social justice and DEI in Idaho public schools; and,

WHEREAS, the IEA has recently described conservative Republicans serving in the Idaho legislature as "bad," "destructive," "radical," "hardline," "out of control," "power hungry," and an "infestation"; and,

WHEREAS, the IEA has launched a "May Matters" campaign to "[mobilize] IEA members to turn out voters in the May 2026 primary elections and return a pro-public education majority to the

Idaho Legislature" in part by getting Democratic and independent teachers to "re-register" as Republicans "in strategic districts"; and,

WHEREAS, school districts across Idaho provide the IEA and its local affiliates with direct and indirect taxpayer support by: using public payroll systems and personnel to deduct union dues from teachers' paychecks; providing teachers with paid leave to engage in union operations and activism; paying teachers' union dues for them with taxpayer funds; providing teachers' personal contact information to the union; requiring new teachers to sit through union membership solicitations as part of their orientation; distributing union communications or membership solicitations; and similar practices; and,

WHEREAS, taxpayers should not be forced to subsidize private special interest groups, whether Republican or Democrat, conservative or liberal; and,

WHEREAS, Idaho voters broadly support changing state law to prevent taxpayer funds and government resources from being used to support teachers' unions;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Idaho Republican State Central Committee supports the passage of legislation to prohibit taxpayer support for teachers' unions in all forms, direct or indirect; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee direct the State Chairman to request the Idaho GOP Legislative Liaisons to work with their fellow legislators to ensure passage of legislation prohibiting any manner of taxpayer support for teachers' unions

Resolution: 2026-17

Title: Resolution Urging a Constitutional Amendment to Replace All State Taxes with a Sales Tax and Reduce Government Spending in Alignment with the Idaho State Constitution

Submitted by: Ben Chafetz, LD17 Chair

Passed by: Ada County Republican Central Committee, October 9, 2026

To be presented by: Ben Chafetz

WHEREAS, the Idaho State Constitution, Article VII, Sections 2 and 5, mandates revenue through property taxation and permits other taxes, such as income taxes, but allows flexibility for alternative revenue systems like a sales tax; and,

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 11, and Article VIII, Section 1, require fiscal responsibility through balanced budgets and limited debt; and,

WHEREAS, a simplified tax system based solely on sales tax would reduce burdens on Idahoans, promote economic growth, and align with Republican principles of limited government; and,

WHEREAS, transitioning to a sales tax-only system requires a constitutional amendment to revise the Legislature's taxing authority, subject to voter approval under Article XX; and,

WHEREAS, a gradual transition, supported by economic analysis and public input, will ensure fiscal stability and broad support;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee urges the Idaho State Legislature to:

1. Propose a constitutional amendment to replace all state taxes with a sales tax as the sole revenue source, revising Article VII to reflect this change;
2. Develop a 3-5 year transition plan to phase out statutory taxes, such as income tax, upon amendment approval, minimizing disruption to state and local budgets;
3. Commission an independent economic impact study to determine the sales tax rate needed to fund a conservative-aligned budget, ensuring job creation, business growth, and tax simplicity;

4. Conduct a comprehensive audit and cut non-essential spending to align with a conservative budget prioritizing limited government, public safety, education, and infrastructure;
5. Adjust the sales tax rate marginally as needed to sustain essential services and maintain fiscal balance, per Article VII, Section 11;
6. Provide temporary state funding or revenue-sharing to local governments to offset the loss of property tax revenue, preventing local tax increases under Article VII, Section 6;
7. Engage Idahoans through public town halls or a referendum to ensure voter support for the proposed amendment; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the Idaho Governor, Speaker of the House, and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

Resolution: 2026-18

Title: Resolution to Cut \$1.1 Billion in ~~Non-Constitutional~~ Spending from the Idaho State Budget

Submitted by: Ben Chafetz, LD17 Chair

Passed by: Legislative District 17 Republican Central Committee, November 13, 2025

To be presented by: Ben Chafetz

WHEREAS, James Madison declared, “I cannot undertake to lay my finger on that article of the Constitution which granted a right to Congress of expending, on objects of benevolence, the money of their constituents;” and,

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho currently spends \$1.1 billion annually on non-core, non-constitutional programs that violate this principle; and,

WHEREAS, an initial layer of bloat can be cut by simple majority vote in 2027 with zero impact on essential services, as detailed below:

Program	Savings	Why Cut
State Liquor Stores	\$70 M profit	Commercial enterprise
Arts Commission	\$2.1 M	Benevolence
Tourism Board	\$11 M	Industry subsidy
STEM Action Center	\$4.5 M	Corporate training subsidy
Economic Development Grants	\$35 M	Corporate benevolence
Broadband Grants	\$25 M	Infrastructure benevolence
CAT/Wolf Depredation	\$1.3 M	Corporate welfare
Idaho Public TV	\$2.8 M	Cultural subsidy
Higher-Ed Scholarships	\$45 M	Middle-class benevolence
Non-Medicaid DHW	\$60 M	Local charity role
Federal Grant Match	\$180 M	Double benevolence
Historical Society	\$4 M	Cultural benevolence
Zero-Base Sunset	\$650 M	Bureaucratic bloat
TOTAL	\$1.1 BILLION	Simple majority 2027

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican Party calls on the Idaho Legislature to:

1. Adopt a zero-base sunset of all boards, commissions, and programs exceeding \$1 million not explicitly authorized by the Idaho Constitution.

2. Eliminate the \$1.1 billion in Layer 1 bloat as listed above.

~~3. Replace all current taxes with one 12% sales tax, enabling \$8,000 Education Savings Accounts per child.~~

Resolution: 2026-19

Title: Resolution to Return the United States of America to a Constitutional Money System of Commodity Backed Money

Submitted by: Phil Hart, Shoshone State ~~Committeeman~~Committeeman, and Nina Beesley

Passed by: Shoshone county Republican Central Committee, November 18, 2025

To be presented by: Phil Hart or Nina Beesley

WHEREAS, throughout recorded history, mankind has used a variety of monetary systems, the most common having been the use of paper currency and the use of precious metals; and,

WHEREAS, the history of paper currency is a history of inflation, of rising prices, higher economic risk, economic uncertainty, and economic decline; and,

WHEREAS, the history of a precious metals based monetary system is one of stable prices, economic certainty, and economic prosperity; and,

WHEREAS, Periods under the gold standard such as 1880 to 1914 are often characterized by long-term price stability with an average annual inflation rate of near zero. In the Mises Wire article “Fixing FDR’s Biggest Blunder: From Gold Standard to Fiat Folly and Back”, “According to economist Michael Bordo, the gold standard provided long-term stability, evidenced by an average annual inflation rate of 0.1 percent between 1880 and 1914 as compared to the average inflation rate of 4.1 percent from 1946 to 2003”; and,

WHEREAS, in the Canterbury Consulting White Paper titled, “The Reign of the U.S. Dollar: Exploring Its Past, Present, and Future”, during the height of the post-WWII Bretton Woods system, the U.S. dollar was pegged to gold at a fixed rate of \$35 per ounce, and other world currencies were pegged to the dollar. This system is associated with a period of significant global economic stability and growth; and,

WHEREAS, in Article 1, Section 10, Clause 1 of the U.S. Constitution, it states, “No state shall.....make anything but gold and silver coin a tender in payment of debts”; and,

WHEREAS, the money supply has been inflated by an unknown amount as new money has flooded into various economic sectors and the Federal Reserve Bank has ceased to track

segments of the money supply so that no one knows the true rate of money supply expansion; and,

WHEREAS, this out-of-control increase in the money supply has caused asset values to skyrocket such that young people cannot afford a home; and,

WHEREAS, the rate of marriage and the birth rate for young people has declined with the rate of home ownership causing an existential threat to the continuation of our culture, to the viability of the social security system, and the viability of our economy;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee calls on Congress to return the United States of America to a constitutional money system of commodity backed money that has fixed values as required by the Coinage Act of 1792 and honors the scriptural requirement of having “just weights and measures”; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee secretary send this resolution to Idaho U.S. Representatives Mike Simpson and Russ Fulcher, to Idaho U.S. Senators Mike Crapo and James Risch.

Resolution: 2026-22

Title: Keep Idaho's Water – 750k by 2100

Submitted by: Ben Fuhriman, Kevin Cook

Passed by: Bingham County Republican Central Committee, November 11, 2025

To be presented by: Ben Fuhriman

WHEREAS, water is the foundation of Idaho's farms, communities, and economy, yet the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer continues to decline, forcing water curtailments that now threaten farmers and groundwater users every year; and,

WHEREAS, Idaho faces longer, hotter summers and warmer winters that reduce snowpack and cause runoff to come earlier in the year, leaving less water available when it is needed most; and,

WHEREAS, the state irrigates more acres than ever before, but shrinking and inconsistent snowpack has created shortages that harm farms, cities, fish, and industry; and,

WHEREAS, Idaho loses between 1.5 and 2 million acre-feet of water each year as it flows down the Snake River and out to the ocean, simply because we do not have enough reservoir space to hold it; and,

WHEREAS, aquifer recharge has proven to be an effective tool, but without additional late-season water from storage, recharge cannot be sustained; and,

WHEREAS, approximately **5,000 Idahoans have already signed the petition at KeepIdahoWater.com** urging the state and federal government to act now to research the need for and feasibility of building new reservoirs and expanding storage capacity, demonstrating broad public support for keeping Idaho's water in Idaho; and,

WHEREAS, the Idaho Legislature has already committed \$30 million annually toward water infrastructure, and Idaho's congressional delegation holds key positions that can help secure federal support; and,

WHEREAS, Idaho must commit to a long-term vision: to build 750,000 acre-feet of new water storage by the year 2100—"750K by 2100"—to secure the future of our farms, communities, and economy; and,

WHEREAS, practical options are already on the table:

- **Near-term solutions:** modest raises at **Minidoka Dam (+50,000 acre-feet), Jackson Lake (+35,000 acre-feet per vertical foot), and American Falls Dam (+28,000 acre-feet);**
- **Mid-range projects:** new reservoirs at **Lane Lake, Chester, Soda Springs, Upper Badger Creek, Spring Creek, and Moody Creek;**
- **Long-term projects:** Use modern engineering to make safe and reliable water storage infrastructure, offering hydropower, extended irrigation seasons, aquifer recharge, flood protection, recreation, and broad economic growth for eastern Idaho;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee urges the Idaho Water Resource Board, the Idaho Legislature, and Idaho's Congressional Delegation to:

1. Move forward immediately with fast-track research on the feasibility and desirability of **small reservoir raises** at Minidoka, Jackson Lake, and American Falls;
2. Continue planning and design work for **new medium-sized reservoirs** across eastern Idaho;
3. Pursue creative financing through state appropriations, federal funds, and private partnerships;
4. Complete an **updated basin study within 2-3 years**, identify priority projects within 5 years, and break ground on at least one major storage project within the next decade;
5. Fully commit the State of Idaho to the goal of **750,000 acre-feet of new storage by the year 2100**; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee believes that Idaho must act now. Without bold investment in water storage, our farms, families, and economy face permanent decline. With vision, courage, and leadership—and with the backing of thousands of Idahoans who have already spoken—we can turn today's water shortage into tomorrow's water security, ensuring future generations inherit a strong and resilient Idaho.

Resolution: 2026-23

Title: Resolution Calling for a Posthumous Pardon for Randy Weaver and Justice for the Weaver Family

Submitted by: Colton Bennett, Latah County Youth Committeeperson

Passed by: Latah County GOP Central Committee, October 28, 2025

To be presented by: Colton Bennett

WHEREAS, the Federal Government unjustly entrapped Idaho citizen Randy Weaver in 1990 on bogus charges of creating a sawed-off-shotgun, a charge clearly at odds with the Second Amendment. Then the Government changed the date of Randy Weaver's Court appearance but did not give him proper notice; and,

WHEREAS, the Federal Government gravely overstepped its lawful authority by trespassing on the Weaver Family land, surveilling them, killed their family dog, killed Sammy Weaver, shot the Weaver family friend Kevin in the arm, and shot Randy Weaver; and,

WHEREAS, the FBI issued a shoot to kill order, instructing agents that they "could and should" shoot to kill any man, woman, or child on the Weaver property. FBI Agent Lon Horiuchi, then shot and killed Vicki Weaver while she held her 10-month-old child; and,

WHEREAS, Horiuchi has demonstrated a pattern of neglect for human life in that he further served as head of the federal sniper team which has been credibly accused of firing fatal shots during the Waco Siege at children as they attempted to escape from a burning building. Horiuchi was charged with criminal homicide in Boundary County but a prosecutor did not pursue the charges in 2001; and,

WHEREAS, Randy Weaver and Kevin Harris were acquitted of nearly every charge, except Weaver was convicted of 'Failure to Appear'.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Idaho Republican State Central Committee calls upon Boundary County Prosecutor Andrakay Pluid to bring charges of murder against Lon Horiuchi as recommended by the special prosecutor assigned to the case; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, That the Idaho Republican State Central Committee calls on President Donald Trump to issue a full posthumous pardon for Randy Weaver for the 'failure to appear'

conviction. A copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Boundary County prosecutor, The President of the United States, and the United States Attorney General.