

# **The Official Call to the 2024 Republican Party of Wisconsin State Convention**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THERE IS HEREBY CALLED**, by action of the State Executive Committee of the Republican Party of Wisconsin, meeting on the second day of December 2023, **a STATE CONVENTION**, as provided in Article VIII of the Constitution of the Republican Party of Wisconsin, to be held **at the Fox Cities Exhibition Center at 355 W Lawrence Street, Appleton, WI at 8 a.m. on Saturday, May 18, 2024**, for the purpose of transacting the following business:

1. To promulgate and adopt reports from the committees on Credentials, Rules, Platform, and Resolutions.
2. To elect a national committeeman and committeewoman as provided in Article X of the Constitution of the Republican Party of Wisconsin.
3. To endorse a candidate for the U.S. Senate as provided in Article III, Section 2 of the Republican Party of Wisconsin.
4. To hear reports from Party leaders, elected officials, and other invited speakers.
5. To transact any other business that may be necessary to gain the objectives of the Republican Party of Wisconsin.

This **CALL TO CONVENTION** was approved at the December 2, 2023, meeting of the State Executive Committee held in Pewaukee, Wisconsin.

**Republican Party of Wisconsin Constitution**

*Last amended: 5/21/2022*

**Article I – Name**

The name of the organization shall be “Republican Party of Wisconsin.”

**Article II – Purpose**

The purpose of this organization shall be to correlate and unify under one central organization the activities of the Republican Party of Wisconsin, and to aid in every honorable way the Republican movement to advance fundamental Republican principles and policies, and as a voluntary organization, cooperate and assist in all elections.

**Article III – Membership**

Membership in this organization shall be open to all Wisconsin residents of voting age who are eligible to vote in any national or state election, who are members in good standing of the Republican county organization in the county of their residence, and who believe in the following objectives of the Republican Party of Wisconsin:

1. To preserve and advance fundamental Republican principles and policies.
2. To develop an aggressive and serviceable statewide Republican organization.
3. To maintain harmony between all Republican organizations.
4. To maintain control of the Republican Party of Wisconsin in the hands of grassroots Republicans.
5. To preserve our Republican form of government as created under the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin.

“Members in good standing” shall be defined as those who meet the membership requirements specified in this constitution and the constitution of the Republican organization in the county of their residence and pay county party dues. No one may become a member in good standing if they hold a membership in another political party committee registered with the Federal Elections Commission and/or the State of Wisconsin Government Accountability Board.

**Article IV – State Officers and Executive Committee**

**SECTION 1. Officers**

- a. The Officers of the Republican Party of Wisconsin shall be a Chairman, Four (4) Vice-Chairmen, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a National Committeeman, a National Committeewoman, and a State Finance Chairman.
- b. The Officers shall include:

- i. a Third Vice-Chairman who shall be the Chairman of the County Chairmen elected at the first formal meeting of the County Chairmen in the odd-numbered year.
  - ii. a Fourth Vice-Chairman who shall be the Chairman, or a representative of the Chairman, of the Wisconsin Young Republicans.
- c. Terms of officers shall be as follows:
  - i. The Chairman, First and Second Vice-Chairmen, Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected in that order at the Organizational Meeting of the Executive Committee. Their two-year terms shall begin upon adjournment of the Organizational Meeting.
- d. The National Committeeman and the National Committeewoman shall be officers of the Republican Party of Wisconsin from the adjournment of the National Convention at which they are elected until the adjournment of the next quadrennial National Convention. In case of a vacancy, the person nominated to fill the vacancy shall be an officer of the Republican Party of Wisconsin from the time of his or her nomination by the Executive Committee until his nomination is rejected by the National Committee or until the adjournment of the next quadrennial National Convention, whichever happens sooner.
- e. The State Finance Chairman shall serve at the pleasure of the State Chairman and shall continue to serve as an officer until his or her successor is appointed.
- f. The person holding the title of Third, or Fourth Vice-Chairman shall serve as an officer of the Republican Party of Wisconsin as long as he or she holds that title regardless of other Executive Committee terms. His or her successor shall be the person named by the Auxiliary body to that title.
- g. Qualifications: All officers must be members in good standing of the county organization in the county of their residence.

## SECTION 2. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- a. There shall be in the Republican Party of Wisconsin an Executive Committee:
  - i. Voting members of the Executive Committee shall be the officers named in SECTION 1, the Chairman and the First Vice-Chairman of each Congressional District elected at the District Caucus held in the odd-numbered year prior to the State Convention, the present Chairman of the Wisconsin Republican Labor Federation, the present State Chairman of the Wisconsin African American Republican Council, the Chairman of the Wisconsin National Hispanic Assembly, one at large member elected at the Organizational Meeting pursuant to paragraph d (1) of this Section, and the immediate past State Chairman of the

Republican Party of Wisconsin. A Majority of the voting members of the Executive Committee shall be District Chairmen and District Vice-Chairmen.

- ii. Non-voting members of the Executive Committee shall be one representative of the Republican Senate Caucus, one representative of the Republican Assembly Caucus and one representative of the Republican Congressional delegation chosen by each group in caucus.

b. Terms of office shall be as follows:

- i. The officers shall be members of the Executive Committee while they hold office.
- ii. The District Representatives shall be members of the Executive Committee for two years starting with the adjournment of the State Convention in the odd-numbered year.

c. Meetings:

- i. The Executive Committee shall meet in an Organizational Meeting for the purpose of electing a Chairman, First and Second Vice-Chairmen, a Secretary, a Treasurer and one (1) at large member of the Executive Committee, in that order, within 45 days following the general election in the even-numbered years. At this meeting, all members of the Executive Committee except the Chairman, First and Second Vice-Chairmen, Secretary, Treasurer, one (1) at large member of the Executive Committee and the immediate past State Chairman shall be entitled to voice and vote. The highest-ranking officer in attendance shall preside. Voting shall be by secret ballot except where there is but one nominee for a position.
- ii. Meetings of the Executive Committee and Conventions of the Republican Party of Wisconsin may be called by the Chairman at his discretion or on petitions signed by at least six (6) members thereof. The Secretary or Chairman shall mail to each other of the Executive Committee at his or her last known address, a written or printed notice stating the time and place of such committee meetings at least ten (10) days before the holding thereof, except that the Executive Committee may meet without notice upon waivers of notice signed by at least a majority of the members thereof.
- iii. Regular and Special Meetings of the Executive Committee, any subcommittee or special committee, may be held by electronic means (such as telephone conference, video conference, or internet communication system) subject to the following requirements:
  1. a majority of the members shall have access to the specified electronic media; and,

2. a quorum for the meeting shall be established by roll call vote and, once established, shall be assumed present until the meeting is adjourned; and,
3. the technology used for the electronic meetings shall allow the members full access to and full participation in all meeting transactions either continuously or intermittently throughout the specified time of the meeting; and,
4. the affirmative vote of a majority of the quorum shall be the minimum vote requirement for the adoption of any motion, with a roll call being required upon request of any member participating in the meeting.

### SECTION 3. VACANCIES

- a. The Executive Committee is exclusively empowered to fill all vacancies on the Executive Committee as soon as possible after the vacancy occurs. The Committee shall accept the nomination for the Third, or Fourth Vice-Chairman from the organization he or she represents. The District Executive Committee shall be consulted before the State Executive Committee fills a vacancy from that District. A person elected by the Executive Committee to fill a vacancy shall become a member of the Executive Committee as soon as elected and shall serve for the unexpired term of his or her predecessor.

### **Article V – County Organizations**

There shall be in this organization a County Organization in each county of the State, which shall have at least the following officers: a County Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, a Secretary and Treasurer all of whom shall be elected in a duly constituted county caucus prior to April 1st in odd-numbered years.

### **Article VI – Duties of State Officers and State Executive Committee**

SECTION 1. The duties of the Chairman shall be to preside over all meetings of the Executive Committee, and shall act as temporary Chairman of all conventions of this organization, or in any other capacity as directed by the Executive Committee. He or she shall appoint the Finance Chairman.

SECTION 2. The duties of the First Vice-Chairman shall be to discharge all the duties of the Chairman in his or her absence or disability.

SECTION 3. The duties of the Secretary shall be to keep a record of the proceedings of the Executive Committee, and have charge of the routine correspondence of this organization, and to perform such other duties as may be directed by the Executive Committee.

SECTION 4. The Treasurer shall be the custodian of the funds of the Republican Party of Wisconsin, and he or she shall keep an accurate record of all monies received and disbursed, and he or she shall render a statement of his or her accounts when called upon to do so by the Executive Committee or by the Finance Committee. He or she shall pay out funds of this

organization only upon authorization of the Executive Committee or the Finance Committee. The bonding of the State Treasurer shall be determined by the Executive Committee.

SECTION 5. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to conduct the affairs of this organization in order to accomplish successfully the objectives of the Republican Party of Wisconsin. The Executive Committee shall further have the power to prescribe and adopt by-laws not in conflict with this Constitution, and shall have power to make rules and regulations not in conflict with this Constitution for the conduct of the affairs of this organization. The Executive Committee shall furthermore have power to approve Constitutions and By-Laws for the District and County Organizations, and to issue Charters to the “Republican Party of \_\_\_\_\_ County” — one such Charter to each county — it being the duty of the County Organization so chartered to issue Charters to Town, Village, Ward or Precinct Organizations. The Executive Committee may upon two-thirds vote, revoke the charters, after thirty (30) days notice and hearing to the aggrieved parties. County and District Party Constitutions shall be reviewed for compliance with the Constitution of the Republican Party of Wisconsin and to insure there are no conflicts. Nothing in this Constitution shall be construed to give the right to the Executive Committee to write platforms or to select or endorse delegates or to endorse candidates for office, except to fill vacancies after endorsement by the State Convention. The Executive Committee shall also establish a by-law with regulations regarding the assumption of debt by the State Party.

SECTION 6. The Wisconsin Young Republicans shall retain its individual organization and identity, but in addition, in relation to the Republican Party of Wisconsin, shall carry on educational work among the young electorate of Wisconsin and assist the Executive Committee.

SECTION 7. The Wisconsin African American Republican Council shall retain its individual organization and identity, but in addition, in relation to the Republican Party of Wisconsin, shall carry on educational work with minority groups in Wisconsin and assist the Executive Committee.

SECTION 8. The Wisconsin National Hispanic Assembly shall retain its individual organization and identity, but in addition, in relation to the Republican Party of Wisconsin, shall carry on educational work among Hispanic groups in Wisconsin and assist the Executive Committee.

SECTION 9. In the event the Wisconsin Young Republicans, the Wisconsin African American Republican Council, and the Wisconsin Republican National Hispanic Assembly do not meet a minimal membership criteria established by the State Executive Committee or become otherwise inactive, the State Chairman shall appoint a Chairman for each group with the approval of the State Executive Committee. The designated Chairman shall serve a term concurrent with that of the State Chairman and shall work to reestablish the organization and represent its interests on the State Executive Committee.

SECTION 10. The State Executive Committee shall have nine standing committees, including Budget, Candidate and Campaign, Communications, Constitution, Convention, District Leadership, Headquarters, Information Technology (IT) and Party Development. With the exception of the District Leadership Committee, the State Chairman shall appoint the Chairmen

or Co-Chairmen and members of each committee from among the membership of the State Executive Committee. The Chairmen or Co-Chairmen of each committee shall serve a term concurrent with that of the State Chairman. The District Leadership Committee shall be comprised of the District Chairmen and Vice Chairmen, who will elect a committee chairman at their first meeting following the State Convention in the odd numbered years. There shall also be an Audit Committee, with its Chairman and members to be appointed by the State Chairman with the approval of the State Executive Committee in accordance with a by-law, adopted by the State Executive Committee, which shall prescribe the committee's powers and duties. Special committees may be established as necessary with the Chairmen and members to be appointed by the State Chairman.

### **Article VII – State Executive Committee Quorum**

A majority of the members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but in the absence of a quorum a majority of those present may adjourn the meeting to another date and hour.

### **Article VIII – State Conventions and County Caucuses**

SECTION 1. The State Executive Committee shall during the odd-numbered years call a State Convention of duly elected or accredited delegates thereof to transact any business that might be necessary to gain the objectives of the Republican Party of Wisconsin. The Executive Committee shall issue a call for any Convention at least sixty (60) days prior to the holding of such Convention.

SECTION 2. In the even-numbered years the Executive Committee shall call a State Convention of the duly elected or accredited delegates of the Republican Party of Wisconsin to be held in the months of May, June or July, for the purpose of promulgating and adopting a political platform. In the years in which there is a statewide election, there shall be an endorsement vote at the Convention for each of the five state constitutional offices and the United States Senate. A 60% majority vote shall be necessary for endorsement. A roll call vote shall be taken, by voice or electronic device, for each contested office. Only those candidates determined to be viable by the State Executive Committee shall be considered for endorsement. The Convention shall, in the same years as a National Convention is held, elect a National Committeeman and National Committeewoman for Wisconsin.

- a. Convention delegates reserve the exclusive right to endorse candidates for state-wide office.
- b. Congressional District Organizations reserve the exclusive right to endorse candidates for US House offices within their district.
- c. County Organizations reserve the exclusive right to endorse candidates for State Senate, State Assembly, and other elections with jurisdictions that are located within their county.

SECTION 3. Representation at such conventions shall be on the following basis, to wit:

- a. One (1) delegate absolute from each county in the State of Wisconsin.
- b. One (1) delegate for each 250 Republican votes or fraction thereof cast for Governor or for President of the United States in the preceding election, whichever may be determined by the Executive Committee.
- c. Each county shall be entitled to vote its full authorized strength regardless of the number of delegates present for voting and shall vote as a single entity.

SECTION 4. Such delegates shall be elected by members in good standing of the Republican organization in each county at the regularly called County Caucus for the election of such delegates. The members in good standing at the County Caucus may authorize the County Chairman to substitute delegates after the County Caucus if the County Chairman certifies in writing that the added delegate is a member in good standing of that County and the deleted delegate, if any, has no objection to the deletion. No substitutions shall be allowed after the last meeting of the Credentials Committee prior to the convening of the convention.

- a. A duly constituted County Caucus shall be one called by the County Chairman and advertised at least twice in one weekly or daily paper in the County, or upon at least eight (8) days notification by written or printed notice to each member, at his or her last known address, of the time and place of the holding of such convention or caucus. If the County Chairman does not call such County Caucus at least thirty (30) days before the date set for the District Caucus, the District Chairman shall call such County Caucus for such County in the manner outlined in this section.
- b. Only members in good standing of the Republican organization of each County at the time of such County Caucus shall be eligible to vote in such County Caucus, Congressional District Caucus, and the State Convention. This provision in no way precludes a county or unit organization from establishing a membership deadline prior to the County Caucus of not more than sixty (60) days.
- c. If any question arises as to the status of any person attending the Caucus, a decision shall be made by a vote of the County Chairman, the First Vice-Chairman, the Secretary and the Treasurer, or, if the county organizations' constitution so provides, by the duly constituted Credentials Committee.

#### **Article IX – Congressional District Organizations**

The Congressional District Committee shall consist of the members of the State Executive Committee from such Congressional District, a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, a Secretary and a Treasurer and such other officers and members as may be provided for by the District Constitution. The members of the District Committee shall be elected at a Caucus of the delegates from that Congressional District to the State Convention in the odd-numbered years and such District caucus shall be held prior to the State Convention. It shall be the duty of the committee to cooperate and assist in carrying out the objectives of this organization.



SECTION 1. The time and place of the holding of the duly authorized District Caucus shall be announced at each County Caucus of that District called pursuant to Article V. In the absence of such announcement the time and place of said District Caucus shall be advertised twice in one weekly or daily newspaper in that county or a written or printed notice thereof shall be mailed to each member at his or her last known address at least eight (8) days before the said District Caucus. The County Chairman of each county shall forward to the District Chairman at least five (5) days prior to any date set for the District Caucuses a list of accredited delegates and only these accredited delegates or their authorized alternates shall be permitted to vote at such District Caucus.

SECTION 2. At each duly constituted Congressional District Caucus only members in good standing of the Republican organization of each county shall be eligible to vote.

SECTION 3. Among the business of said Congressional District Caucus shall be the election of two representatives from the Congressional District to each State Convention Committee.

SECTION 4. In the event of Congressional District Reapportionment, the District Caucus held subsequent to Reapportionment shall be constituted of delegates from the new District. The first agenda item at such a Caucus shall be the election of a District Chairman and Vice Chairman to serve until the next regularly scheduled District Caucus, as provided in Article IX.

#### **Article X – Selection of National Convention Delegates and Alternates**

The Executive Committee is empowered to regulate the rules in this Article but not alter them unless they fail to be in compliance with the Rules of the National Republican Party.

SECTION 1. The total number of delegates and equal number of alternate delegates shall be those numbers fixed by the formulas set forth in the rules of each National Convention.

SECTION 2. Of the total number fixed by Section 1, three (3) district delegates and three (3) district alternate delegates shall be designated from the district of each Representative in the United States House of Representatives and the remainder shall be designated “at large.”

SECTION 3. A candidate receiving a plurality of the votes in the Presidential Primary in any Congressional District is entitled to control the three (3) delegates and the three (3) alternate delegates from that district in all votes for nomination for President of the United States and Vice-President of the United States, unless the delegates and alternate delegates are released by the candidate or the candidate fails to receive at least one-third (1/3) of the total votes cast in any vote for nomination.

SECTION 4. A candidate receiving a plurality of the statewide votes in the Presidential Primary is entitled to control all the delegates and alternate delegates designated “At Large” on all votes for nomination for President of the United States and Vice-President of the United States, unless

the delegates and alternate delegates designated “At Large” are released by the candidate or the candidate fails to receive at least one-third (1/3) of the total votes cast in any vote for nomination.

SECTION 5. Prior to the Presidential Primary and in accordance with procedures adopted by the District Organization, each District Chairman, in consultation with his or her District Executive Committee shall establish a list of no more than 20 candidates to be considered at the District Caucus as their District delegates and alternate delegates to the national convention and shall submit that list to the Republican Party of Wisconsin. Within seven (7) days of the Presidential Primary, the committee of the candidate winning a plurality of the vote in each Congressional District shall notify the Republican Party of Wisconsin which three from each District list they wish to designate as delegates and which three from each list they wish to designate as alternate delegates. Giving due consideration to the candidate committee’s designations, the District Caucus shall elect three District delegates and three alternate District delegates from the originally submitted list.

SECTION 6. At-Large delegates and At-Large alternate delegates shall be selected by the committee of the candidate receiving a plurality of the statewide votes in the Presidential Primary, and a list of said delegates and alternate delegates shall be ratified by the State Executive Committee. It shall be understood that the candidate’s committee shall have final approval of the list of At-Large delegates and alternate delegates. All District and At-Large delegates and alternate delegates must conform to Section 8. The delegate selection process shall be completed no later than the second Saturday in May of the Presidential election year.

SECTION 7. There shall be no automatic delegates nor alternate delegates to a National Convention who serve by virtue of party position or elective office, unless stipulated by RNC rules.

SECTION 8. Both district and At-Large delegates and alternates must file an affidavit with the Republican Party of Wisconsin stating that they will abide by these rules and that they are qualified to represent the Republican Party of the State of Wisconsin by being a qualified voter and member in good standing of the Republican Party of their county since at least the date of their county’s caucus held in the Presidential election year. All affidavits must be received in the state party headquarters no later than 45 days prior to the opening day of the Republican National Convention or the office will be considered vacant and a replacement delegate or alternate will be selected per Section 9.

SECTION 9. The Chairman of the Republican Party of Wisconsin shall fill any vacancies for District delegates and District alternate delegates in consultation with the District Chairman in whose district the considered replacement resides, and the appropriate presidential candidate committee. The Chairman of the Republican Party of Wisconsin shall fill any vacancies for At-Large delegates and At-Large alternate delegates in consultation with the committee of the candidate winning the statewide primary. The replacement of District or At-Large delegates or alternate must file an affidavit per Section 8 immediately upon accepting the office.

SECTION 10. No preference shall be given in the delegate or alternate delegate selection process as to whether the delegate is a man or a woman.

### **Article XI – Selection of Presidential Electors**

SECTION 1: Presidential electors shall be certified by a majority vote of the State Executive Committee of the Republican Party of Wisconsin prior to the nomination meeting for Presidential Electors, which, pursuant to Sections 8.18 (1) and (2) of the Wisconsin State Statutes, takes place on the first Tuesday in October of each year in which there is a presidential election.

SECTION 2: No names submitted after certification by the Republican Party of Wisconsin's Executive Committee shall be considered.

SECTION 3: It is at the sole discretion of the Chairman of the Republican Party of Wisconsin to fill any vacancies which may occur after Presidential Electors are certified.

### **Article XII – Amendments and By-Laws**

SECTION 1: This Constitution may be amended by one of the following methods:

- a. The Constitution may be amended at any State Convention if notice is included in the Call of the Convention stating that amendments will be considered at the said State Convention. The Call of the Convention shall clearly state the exact manner in which it is proposed that the Constitution shall be amended. An amendment shall be adopted only by a majority vote by all delegates entitled to sit at such convention.
- b. Upon petition of ten (10) or more County Caucuses from at least five (5) different Congressional Districts, any proposed amendments shall be included in the Convention Call. Proposed amendments under this section shall be submitted to every County Chairman by January 1 of the year of the County Caucus. An amendment under this section shall be adopted by a majority vote by all delegates entitled to sit at such state convention.
- c. Any properly proposed amendment under this article shall be amendable when presented to such State Convention.

SECTION 2: By-laws, not inconsistent with this Constitution, may be adopted by the State Executive Committee by a two-thirds vote at a regular or special meeting when the meeting notice includes reference to the consideration of by-laws and the language of the proposed by-law or by-law revision is included with the meeting notice.”

### **Article XIII – Parliamentary Authority**

“Robert’s Rules of Order, Newly Revised,” shall govern all the proceedings except where inconsistent with the Constitution and By-Laws of the organization.  
2018 Proposed Convention Rules.

1 **2024 Republican Party of Wisconsin Convention Rules**

2 *Proposed by the Rules Committee – 4/27/2024*

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4 **RULE 1: Apportionment of Votes**

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6 A. The vote of each county organization shall be in accordance with Article VIII of the State  
7 Constitution on the basis of one voting delegate absolute for each county, plus one voting  
8 delegate for each 250 votes or fraction thereof cast for the Republican candidate for  
9 Governor or President in the most recent general election.  
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11 B. All counties shall sit and act as whole counties in this convention. The county shall sit  
12 and act with the Congressional district in which the majority of its voting delegates are  
13 allotted. If a county's voting delegates are evenly split between two Congressional  
14 districts, the county shall sit and act in the Congressional district as determined by the  
15 County Party Chairmen, in writing to the Republican Party of Wisconsin with 30 day's  
16 notice, and that determination is permanent for the duration of the convention.  
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18 C. A county or district chairman or vice chairman may designate from his or her delegation  
19 to the Convention Chairman an alternate who may act in the convention for the county or  
20 district in the absence of the chairman and vice-chairman.  
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22 **RULE 2: Voting Procedure**

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24 A. Votes are to be determined by voice, a show of hands, roll call, or ballot with roll call. As  
25 specified in Rule 10 (F), a roll call is not required on individual resolutions, and as  
26 specified in Rule 17 (G), a roll call is not required on an endorsement vote.  
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28 B. On all roll call questions coming before this convention, the counties shall be called in  
29 alphabetical order. Each county shall be entitled to vote its full authorized strength  
30 regardless of the number of voting delegates and alternates present for voting. The  
31 recording of roll call votes shall be projected on a screen in the convention hall if  
32 possible. The chairman of the county shall determine the result of the voting by, first,  
33 dividing the county's allotted voting delegate strength by the number of votes cast.  
34 Second, by applying the resultant ratio by multiplication to the amount of votes for,  
35 against, and abstaining on the issue. Those numbers shall be carried to two decimal  
36 places. The unit rule of voting shall not be used. The vote of each county delegation  
37 shall be announced by the chairman of the county delegation or designated alternate as  
38 the roll is called. If exception be taken by any voting delegate of that delegation to the  
39 correctness of such announcement, the Parliamentarian shall audit the votes or ballots of  
40 that delegation and report the results to the chairman of the convention who shall  
41 announce the results of the audit. The audit report shall be binding upon the convention.  
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43 C. When a demand is made that the vote on any question, except nomination of candidates,  
44 be recorded by roll call, the same shall be seconded by the majority of the vote of voting  
45 delegates present from at least two delegations, each from a Congressional district  
46 different from each other and the district from which the demand has been made.

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2 D. Upon any roll call, no county shall have the right to yield the floor to another county.  
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4 E. In lieu of a roll call, and if agreed to by the convention, balloting on questions for which a  
5 roll call has been called, may be tabulated and reported by the County Chairman, and  
6 reported to the Convention Secretary in writing, on a ballot provided by the Secretary,  
7 and then reported electronically to the convention.  
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9 **RULE 3: Convention Officers and Committees**

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11 A. There shall be four convention officers: Permanent Chairman, Vice Chairman,  
12 Parliamentarian, and Secretary. The officers shall be appointed by the State Chairman of  
13 the Republican Party of Wisconsin prior to the convening of the convention.  
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15 B. There shall be up to four major committees: Credentials, Resolutions, and Rules, and, in  
16 even numbered years, Platform. The Chairman or Co-Chairmen of each committee shall  
17 be appointed by the State Chairman of the Republican Party of Wisconsin prior to the day  
18 scheduled for state convention committee meetings. Two members from each  
19 Congressional District shall be elected to each committee at the District Caucus as  
20 required in the Constitution of the Republican Party of Wisconsin.  
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22 C. In the event a committee member from a particular Congressional District is not able to  
23 attend the committee meeting, the District Chairman shall be empowered to appoint a  
24 replacement prior to the convening of the committee meeting.  
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26 D. Only the Republican Party of Wisconsin shall be permitted to make an audio or video  
27 recording of any committee proceedings.  
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29 **RULE 4: Parliamentary Authority**

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31 Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised (latest edition), shall be the rules of this convention so  
32 far as they are applicable and not inconsistent with the Rules adopted.  
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34 **RULE 5: Motion to Table / Motion to Remove From Table**

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36 A. A motion to table is not debatable and requires two-thirds of the votes cast for adoption.  
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38 B. A motion to remove from the table is not debatable and requires two-thirds of the votes  
39 cast for adoption.  
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41 **RULE 6: Suspension of the Rules**

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43 A motion to suspend the Rules shall be in order only when authorized by a majority of voting  
44 delegates from the offeror's county and seconded by the majority vote of voting delegates  
45 present from at least two delegations, each from a Congressional District different from each

1 other and the district from which the motion has been made. After a motion to suspend has been  
2 placed before the convention, it shall be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the votes cast.

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4 **RULE 7: Recess for Securing Seconds**

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6 Upon demand, a five (5) minute recess shall be granted by the Chairman for the purpose of  
7 securing seconds for a motion made.

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9 **RULE 8: Time Limits**

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11 A voting delegate will not be recognized to speak except upon the request of their county  
12 chairman or vice chairman or designated alternate. Debate on any given motion shall be limited  
13 to a total of ten (10) minutes in favor and a total of ten (10) minutes in opposition. No voting  
14 delegate shall speak more than twice upon the same question or longer than two (2) minutes on  
15 the first occasion or one (1) minute on the second occasion, unless by suspension of the  
16 Convention Rules. No voting delegate shall speak a second time on a given question unless all  
17 others who wish to speak on said question have had the opportunity to do so within the time  
18 frame outlined above.

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20 **RULE 9: Convention Committee Proceedings**

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22 A. The Chairman of each Convention Committee shall name a Parliamentarian who shall  
23 advise the committee on matters relating to procedure.
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25 B. The following shall be established as the rules for debate at meetings of the Convention  
26 Committees:
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- 28 1. A total of twenty (20) minutes shall be allowed to debate each motion that is  
29 made and seconded. This time shall be split evenly between Committee members  
30 wishing to speak in support and opposition of the motion to adopt. Each member  
31 wishing to speak shall be limited to three minutes. The Parliamentarian of the  
32 Committee shall record the time used and time remaining for both sides.  
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  - 34 2. If an amendment is proposed to a motion to adopt, the 20 minutes for debate  
35 does not apply to ensuing debate on the amendment. Instead, Committee  
36 members wishing to speak in support and opposition of the amendment shall  
37 each receive three minutes to speak. Again, a motion to extend the time for  
38 debate is allowable.  
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  - 40 3. Incidental motions (requests and inquiries) shall not apply to the time established  
41 for debate.  
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43 **RULE 10: Convention Resolutions, Floor Resolutions, and Floor Amendments**

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45 A. Only those resolutions adopted by a District Caucus shall be considered by the State  
46 Resolutions Committee.

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2 B. Resolutions to be considered by the State Resolutions Committee shall express the sense  
3 of the Republican Party of Wisconsin on specific issues related to timely matters not  
4 covered by the State Party Platform as adopted by voting delegates at the previous State  
5 Convention in an even year. If a resolution being considered for adoption by the State  
6 Resolutions Committee doesn't meet these guidelines, any member can request it be  
7 ruled out of order by the Chairman or the Chairman may rule it out or of order. This  
8 ruling can be overturned by a simple majority vote of the members of the committee.  
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10 C. All resolutions being introduced from the floor must be submitted to the Secretary in  
11 writing, with 576 copies, together with a duplicate written list of the county introducing  
12 the resolution and the counties seconding the resolution, by 10:00a.m. on the first day of  
13 convention. Floor resolutions shall be considered as in order if the resolution was  
14 presented to the State Resolutions Committee. The Permanent Chairman of the  
15 convention shall announce to the convention, prior to the Resolutions Committee report,  
16 the substance of any resolution(s) coming from the floor. The pages shall distribute eight  
17 copies of each resolution submitted from the floor to each county chairman at the start of  
18 the Resolutions Committee report. Those introducing the resolutions are responsible for  
19 arranging, paying, and making the copies. All resolutions submitted from the floor shall  
20 be considered after those submitted by the resolutions committee.  
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22 D. All resolutions being introduced from the floor for Convention Resolutions and/or  
23 amendments to the State Party Platform, when the approval of the State Party Platform is  
24 an item on the Convention Agenda, must have the support of a majority of the voting  
25 delegates from the offeror's county, and be seconded by a majority vote of voting  
26 delegates present from at least four delegations, each from a Congressional district  
27 different from each other and the district from which the demand has been made.  
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29 E. Amendments to resolutions shall not be entertained and any proposed amendments will  
30 be ruled out of order.  
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32 F. Resolutions for which a roll call vote is called shall be held over until the end of the  
33 Resolutions Committee report and shall be taken up as a group. There may be a fifteen  
34 (15) minute recess for the purpose of balloting by convention voting delegates prior to the  
35 commencement of the balloting. The chairman of the convention shall declare the  
36 balloting closed at the completion of the recess and the commencement of the reporting  
37 of the votes by each county. Roll call under this Rule shall be the reporting of a  
38 county's vote to the Tellers Committee by a means designated by the chair. There is no  
39 required roll call of individual counties by the secretary of the party.  
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41 G. Resolutions to be considered by the State Convention shall express the sense of the  
42 Republican Party of Wisconsin on specific issues related to timely matters not covered by  
43 the State Party Platform as adopted by voting delegates at the previous State Convention  
44 in an even year. Resolutions are not binding and cannot compel an agent of the  
45 Republican Party of Wisconsin or an elected official to take a certain action.



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2 **RULE 11: Caucusing During Floor Sessions**  
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4 No county delegation may leave the convention floor for the purpose of caucusing without  
5 notification to the Convention Chairman or the Convention Secretary of the convention.  
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7 **RULE 12: Convention Agenda**  
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9 The convention shall follow the order of business as established by the Convention Committee  
10 and as published in the convention program or as distributed in two copies to each county chair  
11 and shall stay in continuous session until the business contained in the call for this convention  
12 and required by the Constitution is complete. Motions to the contrary shall be out of order.  
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14 **RULE 13: Alterations to the Agenda**  
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16 The Convention Chairman may rearrange the “Order of Business” (agenda) without suspending  
17 the rules.  
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19 **RULE 14: Access to the Floor**  
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21 No persons, except members of the several delegations and officers of the convention, shall be  
22 admitted to the section of the hall apportioned to the voting delegates and alternates except for  
23 the Sergeants-at-Arms, Pages, members of the news media and others authorized by the  
24 Convention Arrangements Committee and/or who have been certified by the State Executive  
25 Committee. In the years in which endorsements are considered, each candidate on the ballot for  
26 endorsement or those properly nominated from the floor shall be entitled to have access to the  
27 floor and to also have five (5) properly credentialed campaign representatives, who are not  
28 voting delegates or alternates, on the floor. Each campaign shall provide a list to the Republican  
29 Party of Wisconsin 96 hours prior to the convening of the State Convention.  
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31 **RULE 15: Radio Communication Regulations**  
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- 33 A. No candidate, voting delegate or other group or entity may use any wireless transmitter or  
34 receiver that interferes with frequencies used by the Republican Party of Wisconsin.  
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36 B. Speaking on cell phones shall be prohibited on the Convention floor, and cell phones and  
37 all electronic devices must be kept silent during convention proceedings.  
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39 **RULE 16: State Convention Endorsement**  
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- 41 A. Endorsements shall be made by the Republican Party of Wisconsin in convention  
42 assembled in years in which there is an election for the five state constitutional offices  
43 and/or for the office of United States Senator. Only those candidates determined to be  
44 viable by the State Executive Committee at a meeting prior to the convention shall be  
45 considered for endorsement. In addition:

- 1 B. Candidates must be a member in good standing in their county’s Republican Party  
2 organization by the date of the current year’s county caucus to be eligible for  
3 consideration of endorsement.  
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- 5 C. Each Republican candidate for U.S. Senate must be eligible for the office, must have  
6 properly filed Federal Elections Commission Form 2, and must have filed a year-end  
7 campaign finance report with the Federal Election Commission for the year immediately  
8 preceding the state convention.  
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- 10 D. Each Republican candidate for any of the five state constitutional offices must be eligible  
11 for the office for which he or she has filed, must have properly filed the appropriate  
12 forms with the Wisconsin Election Commission, and must have filed a year-end  
13 campaign finance report with the Wisconsin Election Commission for the year  
14 immediately preceding the state convention if required to do so.  
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- 16 E. Nothing in Rule 16 (A), (B), (C) or (D) shall preclude the nomination from the  
17 convention floor of any candidate eligible for the office for which he or she seeks  
18 endorsement from the Party, although candidates nominated from the floor must also be  
19 determined to be viable by the State Executive Committee at a special meeting prior to  
20 the convening of the state convention. When notified by a potential candidate who will  
21 be seeking nomination from the floor after the last meeting of the State Executive  
22 Committee prior to the state convention, the State Executive Committee must meet prior  
23 to the convening of the state convention to determine viability. All nominations for  
24 endorsement being introduced from the floor must have the support of a majority of  
25 voting delegates from the nominator’s county and be seconded by a majority vote of  
26 voting delegates present from at least two delegations, each from a Congressional district  
27 different from each other and the district from which the demand has been made, and  
28 must be submitted to the Secretary in writing, signed by all three (3) chairmen, or  
29 alternates designated by the county or district chairman as specified in Rule 1 (C),  
30 certifying that a vote of the respective delegations was conducted by 10:00 a.m. on the  
31 day the nominations are first considered. A county may only nominate or second one  
32 candidate for endorsement for the same position.  
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- 34 F. Candidates who are determined to be viable by the State Executive Committee are  
35 officially nominated under these rules and further nomination and seconding by voting  
36 delegates during the state convention are not required.  
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- 38 G. No delegate shall have the option to cast a vote of ‘no endorsement’ for any office. Any  
39 such indication on the ballot shall render that ballot invalid.  
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- 41 H. A candidate must receive a sixty percent supermajority of the votes cast by the counties  
42 to obtain the endorsement of the Republican Party of Wisconsin.  
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- 44 I. If there are two (2) candidates for any of the offices for which the convention may make  
45 an endorsement, the convention shall conduct its balloting on endorsement for that office  
46 in one (1) ballot only. If, after the completion of such balloting on endorsement, no

1 candidate receives a sixty percent supermajority of the votes cast by counties, the  
2 Convention Chairman shall rule that the Republican Party of Wisconsin shall not endorse  
3 a candidate for the office for which that balloting has been completed and the convention  
4 shall take no further action on the endorsement of a candidate for that office.  
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6 J. If there are three (3) or more nominated candidates for any of the offices for which the  
7 convention may make an endorsement, multiple ballots may be cast by the convention on  
8 endorsement for those offices in accordance with the following:  
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10 1. If none of the nominated candidates receives a sixty percent supermajority of  
11 votes cast by counties on any ballot, the nominated candidate receiving the fewest  
12 number of votes plus all candidates receiving fewer than 20% of the county  
13 allotted vote shall be dropped from consideration on the subsequent ballot and any  
14 ballots that may be cast thereafter. A vote for any name that has been dropped  
15 from consideration shall render that ballot invalid.  
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17 2. If more than two candidates are on the ballot, and no candidate receives the  
18 number of votes required for endorsement, but fewer than two candidates receive  
19 20% of the vote, the two candidates receiving the most votes will be considered  
20 on a subsequent ballot. Should there be a tie for the top positions, each of those  
21 candidates shall advance.  
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23 3. In the case where voting for endorsement of candidates for the offices there shall  
24 be a maximum of three ballots cast. If no candidate receives a sixty percent  
25 supermajority of the allotted strength, then there is no endorsement.  
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27 4. At such time that only two (2) candidates remain, the Convention Chairman shall  
28 invoke the rule at Rule 16 (I).  
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30 K. If, at the close of any reporting of the votes by each county, a candidate for endorsement  
31 has received a sixty percent supermajority of the votes cast, the Convention Chairman  
32 shall announce the question to be: "Shall the endorsement of the candidate be made  
33 unanimous?"  
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35 L. Candidates seeking endorsement at the State Party Convention shall not be permitted to  
36 provide services of value to voting delegates and alternates, including, but not limited to,  
37 the provision of transportation, the purchase of lodging, and the payment of convention  
38 registration fees or county party dues or payment of cash. Neither can a 3rd party  
39 organization nor any other person provide such prohibited services or cash as listed  
40 above. An exception to this shall be made for campaign staff and family members of the  
41 candidate who are also voting delegates or alternates. Allowable expenditures that  
42 candidates can make include break refreshments, hospitality room refreshments, and low-  
43 value promotional items. The Endorsement Committee shall have the responsibility to  
44 ensure candidates are aware of this policy and adhere to it. A finding of the Endorsement  
45 Committee that a candidate has violated this policy could result in action by the State  
46 Executive Committee to remove the candidate from endorsement consideration.

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**RULE 17: Balloting**

- A. All voting shall be done by secret, printed ballots certified by the Rules Committee.
- B. Only properly qualified and credentialed voting delegates and alternates, as certified by the Credentials Committee, shall be eligible to cast ballots. The voting rights of each voting delegate and alternate shall be determined by such voting delegate's or voting alternate's county.
- C. The validity of any ballot cast as provided at Rule 17 (A) and (B) shall be determined in accordance with the following:
1. Only ballots marked with a reasonable denotation of a vote for any candidate nominated as provided at Rule 16 shall be valid.
  2. Any and all ballots marked with a denotation of a vote for any person other than a candidate nominated as provided at Rule 16, or that contain any marking, inscription, declaration or expression that does not reasonably denote a vote for a candidate nominated as provided at Rule 16, or that contain no marking shall be invalid. An invalid ballot shall be marked as such across the reverse side of the ballot by the chairman of the county delegation or his or her designated alternate during the tally and recording of ballots as provided at Rule 17 (H). Invalid ballots shall not be included in the tally and the total voting delegate allocation for the county shall be divided by the number of valid ballots cast to determine the outcome of the county's balloting. Only valid ballots cast shall determine who is endorsed.
  3. The Tellers Committee shall have final authority to determine the validity of any ballot cast.
- D. The chairman of the Tellers Committee shall certify to the chairman of the convention prior to the commencement of business on the first day of the convention that the appropriate number of teller envelopes has been prepared for balloting on endorsement for each office for which there are nominees for endorsement as described at Rule 17 (A), (B), and (C).
- E. The chairman of the convention, prior to the balloting, shall instruct the Tellers Committee to distribute the teller envelopes to the chairmen of each county delegation or his or her designated alternate. A county's ballot package shall include:
1. The number of ballots equal to the number of voting delegates registered at the convention by the Credentials Committee.
  2. A vote certification document that sets forth (a) the number of raw votes cast for each nominated candidate and the number of raw votes cast invalidly pursuant to Rule 17 (C) (2), and (b) a certification by the county chairman or his or her

1 designated alternate that the numbers of raw votes recorded for each candidate  
2 and the numbers of raw votes cast invalidly pursuant to Rule 17 (C) (2) are true  
3 and accurate, and (c) a certification of the same by the chairman of the Tellers  
4 Committee.

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- 6 3. An Envelope to be used to return any unused ballots to the Tellers Committee.
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- 8 4. A tally sheet to be kept by the county chairman for his or her use during the
- 9 reporting of the votes by each county.
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11 F. The county chairman or his or her designated alternate shall upon receipt of the packet  
12 immediately distribute one ballot to each voting delegate or alternate entitled to vote, one  
13 at a time, checking the person's credentials. The county chairman or his or her  
14 designated alternate may appoint a county tellers' committee to assist with ballot  
15 distribution in the same manner. County Tellers, if any, shall wear visually designated  
16 vests.

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18 G. The chairman of the convention shall call for the vote on endorsement for the current  
19 office under consideration. There may be a fifteen (15) minute recess for the purpose of  
20 balloting by convention voting delegates prior to the commencement of the balloting.  
21 The chairman of the convention shall declare the balloting closed at the completion of the  
22 recess and the commencement of the reporting of the votes by each county. Roll call  
23 under this Rule shall be the reporting of a county's vote to the Tellers Committee by a  
24 means designated by the chair. There is no required roll call of individual counties by the  
25 secretary of the party.

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27 H. Each county chairman or his or her designated alternate(s) shall tally the votes cast by  
28 voting delegates and alternates in his or her county. The tally shall be done in full view of  
29 the delegation and candidates subject to that ballot are each entitled to an observer. The  
30 tally shall be recorded on the vote certification document referenced in Rule 17 (E) (2)  
31 and the county chairman or his or her designate alternate shall sign it. The vote  
32 certification document, the used ballots (both valid and invalid), and the envelope  
33 containing any unused ballots shall be placed in the teller envelope and returned to the  
34 Tellers Committee.

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36 I. The same procedure shall be followed on any subsequent ballots, in the event that more  
37 than one (1) ballot is required as provided by Rule 16 (J).

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39 J. The Tellers Committee shall consist of three (3) persons from each congressional district  
40 appointed by the district chairman from such district before the commencement of the  
41 state convention. In addition, each congressional district with at least ten (10) counties  
42 shall appoint one (1) additional person to the Tellers Committee, and add an additional  
43 one (1) person for every additional five (5) counties. Tellers shall be prohibited from  
44 wearing any endorsement material for any candidate seeking endorsement. They shall  
45 also be prohibited from endorsing and/or campaigning for any candidate seeking  
46 endorsement while performing this role. The state chairman shall appoint the chairman of

1 the Tellers Committee before the commencement of the state convention. The Tellers  
2 Committee members shall wear visually designated vests and have a name tag  
3 designating their appointment and District. The Tellers Committee members will assist  
4 counties when requested to do so, observe, report any irregularities, and act on behalf of  
5 the Chair of the Tellers Committee or Convention Chairman when so directed. Tellers  
6 Committee members will also assist the Chairman of the Tellers Committee or the  
7 convention chairman at their direction.  
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- 9 K. While the votes are being tabulated for any given endorsement, the convention, at the  
10 discretion of the convention chairman, may proceed with the nomination of candidates  
11 for the next endorsement speeches by candidates for other offices or any other business  
12 until such time that all endorsement votes are taken and the results of the endorsement  
13 ballot are verified by the committee.  
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- 15 L. Following certification by the Tellers Committee Chairman, proportional votes will be  
16 tabulated electronically by RPW Staff and electronically transmitted and prominently  
17 displayed on the Convention Floor.  
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- 19 M. Each candidate on the endorsement ballot currently under consideration is entitled to  
20 have one (1) observer, who is one of the five properly credentialed campaign  
21 representatives, in the area designated for the Tellers Committee while the endorsement  
22 balloting is being verified. Electronic transmission or recording shall be prohibited in the  
23 area designated for the Tellers Committee.  
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- 25 N. The convention chairman may change the order in which endorsements are considered  
26 take up endorsements for which there is only one candidate under consideration so that a  
27 single reporting of the votes by each county vote can be taken for all of those candidates  
28 together.  
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### 30 **RULE 18: Time Limits on Endorsement**

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- 32 A. Prior to the endorsement votes for the office for which they have been nominated,  
33 speeches by candidates, nominating speeches, seconding speeches, videos, or other  
34 demonstrations on behalf of candidates shall be limited to a combined twelve (12)  
35 minutes for candidates for Governor and U.S. Senator, eight (8) minutes for Lt.  
36 Governor, and six (6) minutes for other state constitutional offices. Nominating speeches,  
37 seconding speeches, videos, or other floor demonstrations are allowed, but not required.  
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- 39 B. Acceptance speeches by the endorsed candidates shall be limited to three (3) minutes for  
40 all candidates.  
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- 42 C. Candidates on the certified ballot shall speak in an order determined by lot.  
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- 44 D. The Convention Chairman or Sergeant-at-Arms shall strictly enforce all time limits in  
45 Rule 18.  
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1 **RULE 19: RPW Constitution**

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3 These rules shall not be in conflict with the Constitution of the Republican Party of Wisconsin.  
4 In the event of a conflict, the Constitution of the Republican Party of Wisconsin shall supersede  
5 these rules.  
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7 **RULE 20: Credentials**

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9 A. In accordance with Article VIII, Section 4 of the Constitution of the Republican Party of  
10 Wisconsin, “the members in good standing at the County Caucus may authorize the  
11 County Chairman to substitute voting delegates after the County Caucus if the County  
12 Chairman certified in writing that the added voting delegate is a member in good standing  
13 of that County and the deleted voting delegate, if any, has no objection to the deletion.  
14 No substitutions shall be allowed after the last meeting of the Credentials Committee  
15 prior to the convening of the convention.” As further stated in Article VIII, Section 4 (b),  
16 “only members in good standing of the Republican organization of each County at the  
17 time of such County Caucus shall be eligible to vote in such County Caucus,  
18 Congressional District Caucus, and the State Convention.”  
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20 B. The County Chairman or an alternate designated by the county or district chairman as  
21 specified in Rule 1 (C), must use a form approved by the Credentials Committee in  
22 making a substitution.  
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24 C. Credentials challenges shall be considered by the Credentials Committee on an individual  
25 basis. Challenges must be submitted in writing to the Republican Party of Wisconsin, the  
26 Credentials Committee and the County Party Chairman no later than 96 hours prior to the  
27 convening of the State Convention and must state the basis of the challenge and include  
28 any evidence to substantiate the challenge. Challenges will be heard and decided at the  
29 last meeting of the Credentials Committee prior to the convening of the State Convention.  
30 Challenges can only be filed by a member in good standing from the county for which a  
31 challenge is being filed.  
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33 **RULE 21: Campaign Signage and Literature**

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35 Prior to the start of a Convention in years in which there is an election for the five state  
36 constitutional offices and/or for the office of United States Senator, all challenger and incumbent  
37 campaigns will be allotted equal opportunity to display a limited amount of campaign signs,  
38 literature, and other collateral. All content must abide by pertinent campaign finance and election  
39 law and venue specific requirements, including but not limited to legal disclaimers and special  
40 adherence standards. All campaigns will be allowed 60 minutes access to the Convention Hall at a  
41 time specified by RPW Staff. During this time, campaigns will be permitted to display campaign  
42 signs and distribute campaign literature or collateral to voting delegate seating area. Campaigns  
43 will be allowed to display a maximum of forty (40) 13”x18” campaign signs and/or two (2)  
44 larger campaign signs with a maximum size allowed of 4’x8’. Should any issues or concerns  
45 arise regarding content of collateral, express authority is granted to the RPW Executive Director  
46 to remove said collateral.

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2           **RULE 22: Election of National Committeeman and National Committeewoman**  
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- 4 A. A National Committeeman and National Committeewoman shall be elected by the  
5 Republican Party of Wisconsin, in convention assembled, in the same years as a National  
6 Convention is held.  
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- 8 B. Those wishing to seek election as National Committeeman or National Committeewoman  
9 must submit a nomination form, provided by the Republican Party of Wisconsin, to the State  
10 Convention Secretary, no later than one hour after the convening of the State Convention.  
11 Said form shall include the name of the candidate, a signed statement of eligibility, and a  
12 nomination and second from two county Republican Party organizations, from different  
13 congressional districts, signed by the County Chairman and with the support of a majority of  
14 the delegates from that county present at the convention.  
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- 16 C. Candidates must be a member in good standing in their county's Republican Party  
17 organization by the date of the current year's county caucus to be eligible for election.  
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- 19 D. Prior to each election being conducted, speeches by candidates, nominating speeches,  
20 seconding speeches, videos, or other demonstrations on behalf of candidates shall be limited  
21 to a combined eight (8) minutes. Nominating speeches, seconding speeches, videos, or other  
22 floor demonstrations are allowed, but not required. Candidates on the certified ballot shall  
23 speak in an order determined by lot. In addition, acceptance speeches by the winning  
24 candidates shall be limited to three (3) minutes. The Convention Chairman or Sergeant-at-  
25 Arms shall strictly enforce all time limits.  
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- 27 E. In the event either position is uncontested, the election shall occur by voice vote. In the  
28 event more than one candidate for either position is nominated, the election will be  
29 conducted in accordance with this rule.  
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- 31 F. In a contested race, a candidate must receive a simple majority (50% plus one) of the  
32 proportional votes cast by the counties to be declared the winner.  
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- 34 G. If there are two (2) candidates for either of the offices, the convention shall conduct its  
35 balloting on endorsement for that office in one (1) ballot only.  
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- 37 H. If there are three (3) or more nominated candidates for either of the offices, multiple ballots  
38 for election may be cast by the convention, in accordance with the following:  
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- 40           1. If none of the nominated candidates receive a simple majority of the proportional  
41 votes cast by counties on any ballot, the nominated candidate receiving the fewest  
42 number of votes shall be dropped from consideration on the subsequent ballot and  
43 any ballots that may be cast thereafter. A vote for any name that has been dropped  
44 from consideration shall render that ballot invalid.  
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1           2. If, at the close of any reporting of the votes by each county, a candidate wins a simple  
2 majority of the proportional votes cast, the Convention Chairman shall announce that  
3 candidate to have been elected.  
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5 I. Balloting in contested elections shall be conducted in accordance with the procedures  
6 outlined in Rule 17.  
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8 J. Candidates seeking election as the National Committeeman or National Committeewoman at  
9 the State Party Convention, shall not be permitted to provide services of value to voting  
10 delegates and alternates, including, but not limited to, the provision of transportation, the  
11 purchase of lodging, and the payment of convention registration fees or county party dues or  
12 payment of cash. Neither can a 3rd party organization nor any other person provide such  
13 prohibited services or cash as listed above. An exception to this shall be made for the family  
14 members of the candidate who are also voting delegates or alternates. Allowable  
15 expenditures that candidates can make include break refreshments, hospitality room  
16 refreshments, and low-value promotional items. The Convention Rules Committee shall  
17 have the responsibility to ensure candidates are aware of this policy and adhere to it. A  
18 finding of the Convention Rules Committee that a candidate has violated this policy could  
19 result in a recommendation by the Convention Rules Committee to the State Party  
20 Convention to remove the candidate from endorsement consideration with a simple majority  
21 of the proportional votes cast.

1 **Republican Party of Wisconsin Platform**

2 *Proposed by the RPW Platform Committee – 4/25/2024*

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4 **Preamble—A Platform For a Time Such as This**

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6 The Republican Party of Wisconsin stands with a firm allegiance with the principles that make  
7 America exceptional. The Republican Party must reaffirm the timeless truths that have made this  
8 country exceptional in the past and will do so in the future. We expect our elected officials to  
9 uphold these truths through acknowledgment and action.

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11 **We are One Nation,**

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13 We are one family. We care for one another, are loyal to one another, and defend one another.  
14 Those who join our family become a part of our family history, sharing our rights, privileges;  
15 and shouldering our responsibilities. We are a geographically, ethnically, and culturally diverse  
16 family, yet we are unified by a common commitment to the principles for which we stand—a  
17 nation of, by, and for the people. We welcome free speech and encourage diverse opinions, but  
18 we reject identity politics that divides us against each other. We speak many languages, but we  
19 advocate for a single, unifying common language. We welcome those who share our love of  
20 freedom and respect our laws and our borders which are our first line of defense against  
21 lawlessness from within and without. We stand for a strong national defense. We are one nation.

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23 **Under God,**

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25 We believe that God endows every person with the right to life, to liberty, and to the pursuit of  
26 happiness and that He requires us all to respect the rights of all of our fellow citizens, from the  
27 moment that they are conceived to their deaths. We are under God who has instituted the family  
28 as the basic building block of society and establishes universal laws of justice. We establish no  
29 church or religion but recognize the sanctity of every person’s conscience and defend the free  
30 exercise of all religions. We are one nation but recognize that we are under God who cares for  
31 other people and nations as well as our own. The love for our family does not mean hatred for  
32 neighboring families.

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34 **Indivisible,**

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36 Generations of Americans of all races have sacrificed their lives to defend our nation. Valley  
37 Forge, Gettysburg, Midway, Iwo Jima, Normandy, the Chosin Reservoir, Ia Drang, Fallujah, and  
38 many more places that are burned into our memories, testify to our endurance as a nation. We  
39 hold this nation in trust. We honor this trust by keeping liberty alive in the face of those who  
40 tempt us to trade our freedom for the worn-out promise of a global, collectivist utopia. We honor  
41 the sanctity of the individual, not the state. Despite attacks from without and within, we remain  
42 indivisible, bound, not by narrow promises of government handouts, but by a broad belief in  
43 freedom, in principles that bring liberty and stability through law clearly defined by our federal  
44 and state constitutions—foundational laws that mediate between the individual and group and  
45 small states and large states. We support the Electoral College that balances the rights of densely  
46 populated regions with those less populated.

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**With Liberty,**

We stand for liberty, not the tyranny of the mob or the orders of the administrative state. We promise less central planning and less centralized control—more freedom, not less. We believe that it is not too late to return to a republic where the law is written by Congress which itself is limited by Constitutional law, where judges are limited by the written language of the law, where the president is limited to enforcing the law as written, and where the power of our federal government is limited to areas clearly defined by the Constitution. We dedicate ourselves to the defense of all God-given rights that are clearly articulated in the Bill of Rights—to free speech, to a free press, to the free exercise of religion, to bear arms, to private property—rights that are under constant attack by those from within who neither understand nor share our vision of freedom through the law. We stand for property rights and economic freedom. We envision an economy vitalized by clear, consistent rules, one where citizens can live and can start businesses free from excessive bureaucracy and can operate them without fear of private or public extortion, without frivolous lawsuits or pay-to-play bribes, fees, fines, and excessive taxes. We stand for a level playing field, free from the cronyism of subsidies, mandates, and monopolies. We stand for medical freedom and defend an individual’s right to make their decisions without coercion. We stand for decentralization and free-market solutions to the serious problems in areas such as health care and education that have become so distorted by political manipulation.

**And Justice for All,**

We seek justice that is found in the intersection between liberty and law. We strongly advocate for limited government, federalism, and the decentralization of authority to the state and local community. We also strongly support the strict and equal enforcement of law within each jurisdiction. Neither liberty nor justice is possible without public order. We believe that justice must be blind to race, gender, status, political affiliation, and sexual orientation, and that law enforcement must treat everyone equally. We stand for the same due process and the same presumption of innocence for all. We also oppose the injustice of federal borrowing that irresponsibly transfers one generation’s debts to generations not yet born. We call for the federal government to balance its budget and insist that each state continues to do likewise. We oppose “bailouts” that enable State irresponsibility. We stand for equal treatment through the law and for equal opportunity that equal treatment brings. Outcomes will vary, but one law in defense of life, liberty, and property protects us all. Our mission, both simple and profound, really can be summarized by three words, “liberty through law.”

1 **2024 Republican Party of Wisconsin Proposed Resolutions**

2 *Recommended by the Resolutions Committee – 4/27/2024*

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4 **REPUBLICAN PARTY VALUES**

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6 **2024-01 HISTORY AND FUTURE OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY**

7 **WHEREAS**, the Republican Party is the Party that issued the Emancipation Proclamation; and  
8 **WHEREAS**, we are the Party that brought up and passed the 13th (abolished slavery), 14th  
9 (citizenship for all natural born persons) and the 15th (allowed African American men the right to  
10 vote) Amendments; and

11 **WHEREAS**, the Republicans are the Party of the 1866 Civil Rights Act, the 1867 Reconstruction  
12 Act, the 1870 Enforcement Act, the 1871 KKK Act, the 1875 Civil Rights Act and the 1957 Civil  
13 Rights Act; and

14 **WHEREAS**, we are the Party that overwhelmingly supported the 1960 Civil Rights Act and the  
15 1964 Civil Rights Act; and

16 **WHEREAS**, we are the Party that has consistently fought against racism and for equal rights for  
17 everyone.

18 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin’s fight against  
19 racism in all forms be continued; and

20 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin continue to fight for these  
21 truths that are self-evident; that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator  
22 with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness.  
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24 **2024-02 EQUALITY UNDER LAW**

25 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Justice John Marshall Harlan of the U.S. Supreme Court stated: "Our  
26 Constitution is color blind and neither knows nor tolerates classes among citizens"; and

27 **WHEREAS**, the 14th Amendment to the Constitution provides that no state shall deny to any  
28 person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws; and

29 **WHEREAS**, various governmental bodies sometimes use, or require the use of, discrimination for  
30 or against one group on the basis of race, color, ethnicity, national origin, or sex as a tool to redress  
31 real or perceived past discrimination of this type for or against another group, or as a tool to redress  
32 "under-representation" of a group in certain situations, often under the guise of promoting  
33 "diversity, equity, and inclusion;" and

34 **WHEREAS**, such policies perpetuate the idea that discrimination on such bases is legitimate,  
35 exacerbate tension and conflict between groups, denigrate individual achievement and merit, and  
36 clog our courts with cases that in many instances are meritless.

37 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Republican Party of Wisconsin, that no unit of  
38 government use or require the use of discrimination for or against any individual or group on the  
39 basis of race, color, ethnicity, national origin, or sex at any time, except in those rare instances  
40 where sex may be a bona fide occupational requirement or criterion to consider; and

41 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that no public funds be used to promote "diversity, equity, and  
42 inclusion," nor to pay for any employee to promote the same.  
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1 **2024-03 RESTORING CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT**

2 **WHEREAS**, President James Madison, the "Father of the Constitution," declared: "The powers  
3 delegated ... to the Federal Government are few and defined [and] those which are to remain in the  
4 State governments are numerous and indefinite"; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the Tenth Amendment to the United States Constitution provides: "The powers not  
6 delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to  
7 the States respectively, or to the people"; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the federal government has usurped numerous powers that the Constitution reserves  
9 to the States, and this usurpation of power has been accomplished with the connivance of many  
10 politicians and judges who have violated their oaths of office to uphold the Constitution of the  
11 United States; and

12 **WHEREAS**, the federal government, as a result of this usurpation of power, has "erected a  
13 multitude of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of Officers to harass our people, and eat out their  
14 substance," which was one of the grievances against an oppressive government enumerated in our  
15 Declaration of Independence (and they thought *they* had it bad).

16 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Republican Party of Wisconsin, that the State  
17 of Wisconsin be resolute in defending its sovereign rights, and unyielding in resisting and defying  
18 all unconstitutional actions of the federal government; and

19 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the federal Depts. of Education and HUD be abolished, with  
20 their functions being transferred to the States; and

21 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that that the federal Dept. of Commerce be renamed the Dept. of  
22 Interstate Commerce, with its functions limited to the regulation of commerce that is truly interstate  
23 in nature; and

24 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the federal Department of Energy, and Department of the  
25 Interior be substantially reduced by turning over to the States all federal lands not *absolutely*  
26 essential to the performance of necessary federal government operations, other than National Parks;  
27 and

28 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all federal laws, regulations, appropriations, programs, and  
29 agencies that are definitely, probably, or even possibly in conflict with the Ninth and Tenth  
30 Amendments be done away with.

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32 **PROTECTION OF BASIC RIGHTS**

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34 **2024-04 SANCTITY OF LIFE**

35 **WHEREAS**, the Republican Party was founded by free men who fought for the cherished  
36 American belief that, in the words of our Declaration of Independence, "all men are created equal,  
37 that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable Rights, that among these are Life,  
38 Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness," and "to secure these rights, Governments are instituted  
39 among men," and

40 **WHEREAS**, abortion is the murder of an unborn child, and is a barbaric practice that no civilized  
41 society should tolerate; and

42 **WHEREAS**, the Republican Party has long stood steadfast against government policies that  
43 devalue human life, incl  
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1 uding abortion and coercive “family planning” policies, and  
2 **WHEREAS**, many abortions are performed for reasons opposed by a majority of Americans, such  
3 as birth control, sex selection, or convenience, and  
4 **WHEREAS**, it is understood that a medical procedure that is necessary to save the mother’s life but  
5 that has the unintended side effect of causing the child’s death is not considered an abortion.  
6 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin, that our  
7 Wisconsin laws protecting the lives of unborn children be defended and strengthened to the  
8 maximum extent possible; and  
9 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, all trafficking in the body parts of aborted babies be prohibited  
10 by law; and such behavior prosecuted; and  
11 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, no government funds or government-funded facilities be used for  
12 abortion, for abortion advocacy, for abortion referral, for medical plans or insurance that cover  
13 abortion, or for contributions to organizations (such as Planned Parenthood) that engage in any such  
14 activities, whether in the US or in a foreign country; and  
15 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that anyone who performs an abortion be required to file a death  
16 certificate for the aborted child, and if the aborted child survives the abortion for any length of time  
17 (even for just a few seconds), a birth certificate as well; and  
18 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any child who survives an attempted abortion be given all  
19 the medical care he may need to preserve his life; and  
20 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in the event abortions are allowed to be performed due to  
21 court orders or inadequacies in our laws, abortionists be required to operate under the same medical  
22 standards as legitimate surgeons, that they be required to carry malpractice insurance in an amount  
23 not less than the average amount carried by obstetricians, and that abortion facilities be required,  
24 during all hours of operation, to maintain staff adequately trained and equipped to deliver adequate  
25 emergency medical care to any patient who may require it, and to any baby who survives the  
26 abortion; and  
27 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that no health care provider or pharmacist be required to  
28 participate in providing abortions or abortion-causing drugs contrary to his religious or ethical  
29 beliefs.

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31 **2024-05 PROTECTING SECOND AMENDMENT RIGHTS WITH PROHIBITION**  
32 **LIABILITY**

33 **WHEREAS**, the United States Constitution and the laws in the State of Wisconsin allow citizens  
34 who, under certain circumstances, have met training requirements to conceal carry or open carry  
35 firearms; and  
36 **WHEREAS**, the Second Amendment states our rights to bear arms “shall not be infringed”; and  
37 **WHEREAS**, businesses that prevent citizens from exercising their right to protect themselves  
38 interfere in the constitutional process ought not to have zero consequences for their  
39 shortsightedness; and  
40 **WHEREAS**, every action has consequences that ought to be borne by the action-taker.  
41 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin calls upon the  
42 Wisconsin State Legislature to draft legislation that places liability for life and limb upon  
43 organizations, government or private, that prohibit the right of self-defense on their premises.  
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1 **2024-06 PROMOTE A FREE SOCIAL MEDIA**

2 **WHEREAS**, the internet has become an essential public service. Many social media companies no  
3 longer serve as neutral platforms but edit news, censor opinion, and ban those with whom they  
4 disagree. Tech oligarchs are now able to violate every citizen’s right to free speech and to free  
5 inquiry through their control of search engines. The FBI has unlawfully colluded with tech  
6 companies to censor the news to influence the last election. No free republic can survive so much  
7 power being limited to so few.

8 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin:

- 9 1. Stands for free speech and open debate; and
- 10 2. Call Congress to abolish Section 230 of Title 47 US Code.

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12 **2024-07 DEFENDING MARRIAGE**

13 **WHEREAS**, marriage is based on the truth that men and women are complementary; and

14 **WHEREAS**, reproduction depends on a man and a woman; and

15 **WHEREAS**, marriage is what creates family and families are the most basic social unit on which  
16 society is built; and

17 **WHEREAS**, families play an important role in providing support, teaching values, providing  
18 security, and fostering stable environments; and

19 **WHEREAS**, fertility in the U.S. has been in decline, so we will see a shrinking workforce.

20 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin supports the belief  
21 that our solvency depends on reproduction in our society. We support the belief that strong families  
22 are important-since the decline of traditional families results in increased poverty, unstable  
23 environments, anxiety, lack of discipline and the disappearance of positive role models.

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25 **TAXES & DEBT**

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27 **2024-08 ELIMINATE WISCONSIN’S STATE INCOME TAX**

28 **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin currently imposes personal income tax on Wisconsin residents; and,

29 **WHEREAS**, there are states that do not levy a tax on personal income; and,

30 **WHEREAS**, many people have left the State of Wisconsin to pursue careers and to enjoy  
31 retirement in states with no income tax; and

32 **WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the State of Wisconsin to retain and attract residents and  
33 promote business opportunities by eliminating income tax.

34 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin, in caucus  
35 assembled, encourages the Wisconsin legislature to make Wisconsin an income tax-free state.

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37 **2024-09 AVOID NATIONAL BANKRUPTCY**

38 **WHEREAS**, every responsible citizen must live within his or her means. It is irresponsible and  
39 immoral for any person or country to spend more than they can repay and to burden future  
40 generations with debt that they did not incur; and

41 **WHEREAS**, every dollar spent by government reduces the purchasing power of The People and  
42 destroys our national currency US dollar. Our national debt is over \$32 trillion with annual interest  
43 payments approaching \$1 trillion dollars, soon to be the largest government expenditure. Excessive  
44 debt will bankrupt this country, destroy our economy and the global economy, bringing national

1 and international suffering on an unprecedented scale. The situation is dire and without immediate  
2 action, bankruptcy is inevitable.

3 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin, in caucus  
4 assembled:

- 5 1. Demand that their legislators end decades of delay and act now to reduce our federal  
6 spending, balance our budget, and pay down our federal debt; and
- 7 2. Require that all candidates for federal office, including incumbents, provide their plan for  
8 balancing the budget and paying down the debt; and
- 9 3. Demand a change to Congressional rules that would require a super-majority to increase the  
10 annual budget or the debt limit; and
- 11 4. Support a balanced budget amendment to the US Constitution.

## IMMIGRATION

### 2024-10 SECURE THE BORDERS

16 **WHEREAS**, a safe nation requires secure borders; and

17 **WHEREAS**, the speed and ease of travel has made every state a border state; and

18 **WHEREAS**, we welcome legal immigration that has kept the American dream alive; and

19 **WHEREAS**, illegal immigration is destroying that dream by overwhelming our social safety nets  
20 and creating more crime, more vote fraud, more homelessness, and more societal chaos; and

21 **WHEREAS**, the Biden administration has refused to secure our borders; has enabled the smuggling  
22 of fentanyl and other illegal drugs; and is actively engaged in human trafficking by transporting  
23 illegal aliens into our cities often under cover of darkness and with the silence of a complicit press.

24 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin, in caucus  
25 assembled:

- 26 1. Calls on Congress to urge the President to complete the border wall or empower border states  
27 to do so; and
- 28 2. Calls on the Wisconsin State Legislature to demand that the Governor send the Wisconsin  
29 National Guard to aid the national guards of southern border states in defending their, and our,  
30 border from invasion; and
- 31 3. Calls on the Wisconsin State Legislature to demand that the Wisconsin State Patrol and Local  
32 Law enforcement Agencies arrest anyone engaged in human trafficking, including those  
33 employed by federal agencies, and hold businesses accountable to the fullest extent of the law;  
34 and
- 35 4. Demands that county sheriffs and District Attorney's do the same; and
- 36 5. Calls for the deportation of illegal entrants; and
- 37 6. Calls on Congress to end chain migration.

38 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin calls on the United States  
39 Congress to support current laws in place such as Remain in Mexico, returning illegal aliens across  
40 the border, extending Title 42 or any other laws and regulations that will stop the illegal entry of  
41 aliens into our country; and

42 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, a copy of this resolution be sent to all Wisconsin federal  
43 legislators.

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1 **2024-11 PAUSE ON REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT**

2 **WHEREAS**, the Refugee Act of 1980, located at Title VI, Chapter 2 of the Immigration and  
3 Nationality Act, created The Federal Refugee Resettlement Program to provide for the effective  
4 resettlement of refugees; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the Refugee Act of 1980 states in 8 U.S.C. § 1522(a)(1)(B)(iii) that, “local voluntary  
6 agency activities should be conducted in close cooperation and advance consultation with State and  
7 local governments”; and

8 **WHEREAS**, numerous county boards of supervisors are concerned with the lack of transparency  
9 and communication by voluntary agencies, specifically World Relief of Chippewa Valley,  
10 regarding the anticipated resettlement of refugees within a 100-mile radius of the City of Eau  
11 Claire; and

12 **WHEREAS**, in January 2024, Wisconsin Senate Bill 916 (SB916) and Assembly Bill 1004  
13 (AB1004) were introduced requiring local governments to designate an individual for consultation,  
14 and for other purposes relating to proper notice for local government entities related to the federal  
15 program regarding refugee resettlement and assistance; and

16 **WHEREAS**, if passed, a statute would be created requiring an employee or officer of a local  
17 government unit, including a city, village, town, county, or school district, to report to the chief  
18 elected official (i.e. county board chair) if the employee or officer is contacted by the federal  
19 government or a private nonprofit voluntary agency regarding proposed placements of refugees in  
20 the local governmental unit; and

21 **WHEREAS**, the proposed statute further requires that the chief elected official notify each local  
22 governmental unit within a 100-mile radius about the potential refugee resettlement and the local  
23 governing body must schedule an open meeting to discuss the potential refugee resettlement and  
24 designate a representative from the local governmental unit to consult with the federal government  
25 and private nonprofit voluntary agency; and

26 **WHEREAS**, SB916 was passed by both the Senate and the Assembly in mid-February 2024, and is  
27 pending before Governor Tony Evers.

28 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin hereby  
29 supports the adoption of SB916 to ensure that counties are provided with notice and consultation  
30 related to refugee resettlement; and

31 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Republican Party of Wisconsin that there be an immediate  
32 pause on the placement of any refugees within Wisconsin; and

33 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Republican Party of Wisconsin that prior to the  
34 resettlement of refugees within Wisconsin, that all federal, state, local, or voluntary agencies  
35 involved with resettlement engage in collaboration and consultation with local government units  
36 within the county to inform the public of the resettlement, that adequate time be allocated to  
37 conduct studies necessary to ascertain the impact on local communities, and that the county be  
38 provided with a detailed description of the short and long-term funding resources available to the  
39 refugees.

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1 **EDUCATION**

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3 **2024-12 SCHOOL FUNDING ALLOCATION TO THE STUDENT**

4 **WHEREAS**, funding for “Choice Students” is just over \$8,000 per student vs over \$15,000 per  
5 student for public school students; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin’s platform calls for “economic freedom” a “level  
7 playing field” and “decentralization and free-market solutions...” under its With Liberty paragraph,  
8 the issue of school funding is a forefront issue statewide; and

9 **WHEREAS**, there is a significant variance in the performance of government schools, with some  
10 performing with excellence and others performing poorly; and

11 **WHEREAS**, private schools and homeschools often provide superior educational opportunities for  
12 less than the cost of public schools, and the movement of students from public to private or  
13 homeschooling may result in a net savings to taxpayers while improving outcomes.

14 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin, in caucus  
15 assembled, calls upon our elected leaders to pass legislation which directly allocates funds to follow  
16 the student by choice of the parent(s); be it public, private or homeschool, without directives.

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18 **2024-13 SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO FULLY DISCLOSE MATERIALS USED IN SEX**  
19 **EDUCATION**

20 **WHEREAS**, parents are their child’s first and most important teachers and they want to instill their  
21 beliefs and values to guide their child through life; and

22 **WHEREAS**, the “Health” and sex education taught in the school systems are sensitive matters that  
23 may contradict core family values and beliefs; and

24 **WHEREAS**, the available “opt-out” option is insufficient protection to ensure students are not  
25 exposed inadvertently; and

26 **WHEREAS**, the school policy in sex education should promote parental autonomy and respect  
27 family values and beliefs.

28 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin is requesting that  
29 every school district in Wisconsin publish on the internet, three weeks before the start of the fall  
30 school year and quarterly thereafter, a list of all materials such as books, articles, written or visual  
31 materials, videos, photos, models and any other appropriate items making reference to/discussing  
32 topics such as sex, male sex, female sex, masturbation, homosexuality, queer, gender, transgender,  
33 binary, nonbinary, LGBTQ (including symbols, rainbow, pride etc.) and pornography to inform  
34 and make full disclosure to parents and taxpayers, and calls for the for the disclosure and removal  
35 of and prevention of sexually explicit materials in schools.

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37 **ELECTIONS**

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39 **2024-14 VOTING INTEGRITY**

40 **WHEREAS**, voting in elections is every citizen’s privilege and civic duty; and

41 **WHEREAS**, we have a huge influx of illegal entrants into our country; and

42 **WHEREAS**, there is a movement to provide a driver’s license to those illegal entrants  
43 into this country; and

44 **WHEREAS**, Driver’s licenses are used as identification for voting.

1 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin, in caucus  
2 assembled, insists that citizenship status be clearly shown on the driver's license and any other  
3 identification that could be used for voting.

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5 **2024-15 OPPOSE RANKED-CHOICE VOTING IN WISCONSIN**

6 **WHEREAS**, America has operated on a well-understood and relatively uniform election system  
7 that has been implemented over two hundred years to support our constitutional republic; and the  
8 political parties in America have created the world's largest representative forums for debate  
9 amongst thousands of factions of American citizens all across the nation.

10 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin, in caucus  
11 assembled:

- 12 1. Rejects ranked-choice voting, final five voting, and similar voting methods that increase  
13 election distrust, and voter suppression and disenfranchisement, eliminate the historic  
14 political party system, and put elections in the hands of expensive election schemes that cost  
15 taxpayers and depend exclusively on confusing technology and unelected bureaucrats to  
16 manage it; and
- 17 2. Calls on its Congressional delegation, state legislators, and voters to oppose ranked-  
18 choice voting in every locality and level of government and return elections to easier  
19 systems that have worked for centuries for fair and transparent elections i.e. same day  
20 voting on paper ballots.

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22 **2024-16 ELIGIBLE CAMPUS VOTING**

23 **WHEREAS**, all US citizens, who are 18 years of age or older, are eligible voters and shall not be  
24 denied or abridged the right to vote by the United States or by any state on account of age; and

25 **WHEREAS**, while Congress sets the legal age for voting, state legislatures define the parameters  
26 for determining residency; and

27 **WHEREAS**, students come to our local communities and stay temporarily during the school year;  
28 and students return to their parent's home address during breaks and receive mail at their home  
29 addresses; and

30 **WHEREAS**, students who arrive at college campuses in the fall are immediately campaigned by  
31 democrats and are repeatedly told by faculty and other students who they should vote for.

32 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin, in caucus  
33 assembled, urges that all elections laws be followed, and only eligible voters be allowed to vote;  
34 and that students shall vote by absentee ballot at the polling place assigned to their permanent home  
35 address (not a temporary college address).

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37 **2024-17 IMPEACH MEAGAN WOLFE**

38 **WHEREAS**, Meagan Wolfe is the administrator of the Wisconsin Elections Commission, and

39 **WHEREAS**, Meagan Wolfe repeatedly abused the powers of her office to subvert, bend, and break  
40 Wisconsin election laws in an effort to help Democrats cheat their way to election victories, and

41 **WHEREAS**, Meagan Wolfe refused to appear before the state legislature when summoned there to  
42 explain herself, and

43 **WHEREAS**, Meagan Wolfe's term of office has expired and Democrats have been twisting the law  
44 to try to keep her in office indefinitely,

1 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Republican Party of Wisconsin that Meagan  
2 Wolfe be impeached and removed from office.

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4 **LAW ENFORCEMENT & PRISON REFORM**

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6 **2024-18 IMPROVE THE TRANSPARENCY OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF**  
7 **CORRECTIONS INSPECTION REPORTS**

8 **WHEREAS**, government transparency is an essential element in government accountability and in  
9 protecting Americans from tyranny; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the public’s ability to review the annual regulatory inspection reports of county jails  
11 and state correctional facilities is important to keep the public aware of facility conditions and the  
12 safety of citizens, inmates, and facility staff; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the state Department of Corrections posts the annual reports of state owned  
14 correctional facilities on the department of correction website <https://doc.wi.gov/> for public  
15 viewing; however, the annual department of corrections inspection reports of county jails are not  
16 published for public viewing; and

17 **WHEREAS**, the state Department of Corrections have allegedly used annual jail inspections to  
18 impose jail facility requirements that are not supported by state statutory code, contributing to the  
19 early retirement of statutorily acceptable county jails and adding millions of dollars of financial  
20 burden to county tax levy; and

21 **WHEREAS**, the state Department of Corrections has not been forthright to respond to Freedom of  
22 Information Act requests from the public and has denied two requests to release the state regulatory  
23 inspection reports of county jails in Wisconsin.

24 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin calls on the  
25 Governor’s administration and Department of Corrections to publicly post the results of all annual  
26 county jail inspections; and

27 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin calls on our state legislators to  
28 investigate the unfunded mandates being imposed by the Department of Corrections inspections  
29 division and ensure these inspections are posted for public viewing.

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31 **SUPPORT ISRAEL**

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33 **2024-19 SUPPORT FOR ISRAEL & CONDEMN ACTIONS OF HAMAS**

34 **WHEREAS**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin stands wholeheartedly with Israel’s right to exist  
35 and firmly state that Israel has a right and duty to defend itself and its citizens; and

36 **WHEREAS**, Hamas is a terrorist organization, which brutally attacked Israeli citizens on Oct 7th,  
37 2023; and

38 **WHEREAS**, the glorification of violence and usage of antisemitic rhetoric creates a hostile  
39 environment; and

40 **WHEREAS**, Hamas terrorists raped and savagely tortured hundreds of women and children during  
41 its barbaric attacks, some of whom cried out for their rapists to kill them; and

42 **WHEREAS**, the Muslim Brotherhood’s goal of Civilization Jihad was found in their own words in  
43 the Muslim Brotherhood’s Explanatory Memo, which was written in 1991 and was used as an  
44 exhibit in the US District Court of Norther Texas in the Holy Land Foundation trial; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) is an organization that call itself a  
2 civil rights organization, was founded by the Muslim Brotherhood in North America and was  
3 declared an unindicted co-conspirator of Hamas in the Holy Land Foundation trial in 2006; and  
4 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin stands against  
5 Hamas and their barbaric assaults on women and children in Israel and anywhere else Hamas  
6 members may be found; and

7 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that we affirm Israel’s right to exist and that the land of the Israel  
8 is historic Homeland of the Jewish People; and

9 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin asks the Wisconsin Federal  
10 delegation to ensure the Muslim Brotherhood and CAIR organizations are not receiving taxpayer  
11 funds and are designated as terrorist organizations; and

12 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin asks the Wisconsin Federal  
13 delegation to ensure Israel receives maximum funding in order to obliterate Hamas and any other  
14 terrorist organization that threatens the safety and security of Israel and its citizens.

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16 **NATIONAL SECURITY**

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18 **2024-20 MORATORIUM ON FOREIGN PURCHASES OF WISCONSIN REAL**  
19 **PROPERTY**

20 **WHEREAS**, the United States is seeing an increase in foreign ownership of land;  
21 of special concern is agricultural land, land near military installations, or critical infrastructure; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin currently has no laws mandating disclosure of, or requiring studies on,  
23 foreign ownership of Wisconsin land; and

24 **WHEREAS**, this presents security and economic implications; and

25 **WHEREAS**, there needs to be increased scrutiny; and

26 **WHEREAS**, during the first six months of 2023, at least 15 states have enacted legislation  
27 regulating foreign ownership of real property; and

28 **WHEREAS**, there is no current Wisconsin law regulating the purchase of Wisconsin land by  
29 foreigners.

30 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin is requesting that  
31 the State of Wisconsin place land ownership restrictions upon foreign principals connected with  
32 foreign countries of concern, i.e. foreign governments themselves, certain corporate and political  
33 bodies, and individuals domiciled in the countries of concern who are not U.S. citizens or lawful  
34 permanent residents.

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36 **MEDICAL & GENDER ISSUES**

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38 **2024-21 MALE AND FEMALE HE CREATED THEM**

39 **WHEREAS**, the sex of a human being is determined by his DNA, and more specifically, by his  
40 chromosomes; and

41 **WHEREAS**, all the surgeries and drugs in the world cannot turn a man into a woman, or vice-  
42 versa; and

1 **WHEREAS**, requiring a man to be treated as a woman, or vice-versa, often results in trampling on  
2 the religious and civil rights of others, invading the privacy of others, and sometimes endangers the  
3 health and safety of others.  
4 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Republican Party of Wisconsin, that no  
5 biological male be allowed to compete in athletic events designated for women or girls; and  
6 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that no one be allowed to use a public restroom or locker room  
7 designated for persons of the opposite biological sex (unless one has been so surgically mutilated as  
8 to appear to be of the opposite biological sex even when naked); and  
9 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that no public or private school be allowed to treat a biological  
10 boy as a biological girl, or vice-versa, without the express written consent of that child's parents;  
11 and  
12 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that no one be subjected to any punitive action for treating  
13 someone in a manner consistent with his biological sex; and  
14 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that no one under the age of 21 be castrated or otherwise  
15 chemically or surgically mutilated, nor be given puberty blockers or opposite sex hormones, nor be  
16 provided with any other so-called "gender-affirming care"; and  
17 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that anyone under the age of 21 who is treated contrary to the  
18 preceding paragraph shall have six years after he turns 21 to sue for damages, including attorney  
19 fees.

## 20 ENERGY INDEPENDENCE

### 21 2024-22 BALANCED ENERGY INITIATIVE

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23 **WHEREAS**, the actions and policies of the current administration and its regulatory agencies have  
24 transitioned the U.S. from a net global energy exporter/producer back to an energy; and,  
25 importer reversing the flow of dollars to foreign actors and destroying our energy  
26 independence; and  
27 **WHEREAS**, the upfront costs and the burden that it passes to consumers for the migration of  
28 traditional fossil fuel based to renewable energy is significant, especially when artificially  
29 driven by reactive mandates and regulations; and  
30 **WHEREAS**, renewable energy is intermittent and dependent upon limited and costly storage  
31 capacity provided by foreign actors, which places the U.S. at a financial disadvantage and  
32 removes its ability to achieve energy independence; and  
33 **WHEREAS**, renewable energy sources have geographic limitations and power production for large  
34 metropolitan centers will consume and/or impact thousands of acres of rural and  
35 agricultural property; and  
36 **WHEREAS**, the need for components derived from fossil fuel sources such as asphalt, lubricants,  
37 plastics, chemicals, fertilizers, and pharmaceuticals, many required to manufacture and sustain  
38 renewable energy products, will continue and grow in part to meet the demands of the migration to  
39 renewable energy.  
40 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin urges  
41 Congress to leverage the benefits derived from each domestically available energy source of oil,  
42 natural gas, coal, nuclear, and all renewables to provide the most affordable, efficient, dependable  
43 and environmentally safe long term U.S. energy solution.  
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