

## Albany County 2016 Resolutions

### Jobs and the Economy

1. Supports reduction of federal and state regulations and mandates and supports the free market system and enterprise.
2. Supports congressional action to limit Chevron deference given to regulatory agencies.
3. International trade, whereas free-market principles are a guiding economic principle for the Republican Party; be it it resolved that the Republican Party should allow free-market principles to guide the creation of, implementation of, and dissolution of, any and all international trade deals.

### Crime and Law

1. Supports reciprocity of concealed-carry laws.
2. Supports the Second Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.
3. Supports extending Constitutional-carry laws to college and university campuses in Wyoming.
4. Supports eliminating all public gun-free zones.
5. Supports and honors the sacrifice of those in law enforcement and supports the use of appropriate force to ensure public order and safety.
6. Supports that the Legislature structure legislation and their actions to remain within the constraints of both the Wyoming and United States Constitutions.
7. Supports penal policies which can reduce prison populations without endangering society, such as minimum security and monitored work release programs for all nonviolent offenders and an emphasis on treatment and rehabilitation of drug and alcohol offenders to be financed by the offender to the extent possible and by confiscated drug money, except for large-scale drug distributors who should remain imprisoned.
8. Whereas our laws should reflect the impact of technology; Therefore Be It Resolved the Republican Party believes "sexting" should not be a felony when practiced between parties who are of the age of consent, consequently not carry the lifetime "sexual offender" status.

### Voting Rights

1. Supports voter photo identification requirement at the polls.
2. Supports that voting is a right of citizenship.

### Land, Agriculture, and Environment

1. Recognize agriculture as an important part of the economy.
2. Supports the concept of multiple-use of public lands.
3. Supports planning for quality growth while ensuring the protection of private property rights.
4. Supports Wyoming's primacy over its water and the doctrine of prior appropriation.
5. Opposes any attempt to encroach upon water and/or water rights belonging to and administered by the State of

Wyoming, and compels the state engineer to vigorously defend Wyoming's water rights, laws and compacts.

6. Supports the development and management of upstream water storage and other water projects to benefit Wyoming's economy.
7. Supports the delisting of the grizzly bear from the endangered species list.
8. Supports the concept of access to and multiple-use of public lands, including agricultural use of those lands.
9. Supports that the federal government honor to all willing western states the same statehood promise to transfer title to the public lands that it honored with all states east of Colorado.

## **Government and Budgets**

1. Strongly supports the requirement that all bills introduced in the United States Congress include a statement setting forth the specific constitutional authority under which the law is being enacted.
2. Strongly opposes an administration that operates outside the powers specified in the U.S. Constitution.
3. Believes in the primacy of private property rights as recognized by the Constitution of the State of Wyoming and supports legislation that would limit the use of the government's power of eminent domain.
4. Opposes the creation of a state income tax.
5. Supports federal debt reduction.
6. Opposes any diminishment of the amount of federal mineral royalty distributed to the State of Wyoming.
7. Opposes foreign or religious laws usurping the United States Constitution.
8. Opposes the enactment and enforcement of executive orders beyond their legal jurisdiction.
9. Supports the following departments and agencies of the federal government be eliminated: Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Education, Department of Energy, the Department of Transportation, National Endowment of the Arts, the National Science Foundation, the Internal Revenue Service, and the Federal Reserve.
10. Supports repeal of the 16th Amendment and replacement with the Fair Tax.
11. Supports the transfer of federal control of public lands to state ownership.
12. Does not support refugee resettlement.
13. Opposes warrantless collection of our digital records.
14. Supports a federal balanced-budget amendment.
15. Supports auditing and reassessment of the Federal Reserve.
16. Supports that the United States Congress and its members and staff, along with the Governor of Wyoming, the Wyoming State Legislature, and staff members, be required to adhere to all laws and regulations that Congress and the Wyoming Legislature enacts, and not be exempted from compliance.
17. The citizens are the ultimate authority; be it resolved the Republican Party should develop a process, including criteria, for the recall of elected officials at every level of government.

## **Education**

1. Supports the rights of parents and legal guardians to choose the type and method of schooling for their children.
2. Supports the teaching of government, civics, and economics in the public schools to create a better- educated citizenry.
3. Promotes a curriculum requiring science and technology in the classroom, including career technical education.
4. Whereas the legislature recognizes educations standards are the responsibility of the State of Wyoming and local school boards, Therefore be it resolved that the Albany County Republican Party request the legislature abolish the federal imposition of Common Core.

## **Health and Society**

1. Supports the defunding and repeal of the Affordable Care Act.
2. Supports elimination of government programs that foster dependency and undermine individual initiative.
3. Supports portability of health insurance.
4. Supports medical and healthcare law reform.
5. Supports medical tort reform.
6. Believes that drug addiction should be treated as a medical condition.
7. Upholds the concept of the traditional family by recognizing marriage as being between one man and one woman and supports all legislative and constitutional means to support it.
8. Supports the transition to a free market healthcare system.
9. Be it resolved that the Wyoming Republican Party opposes any mandated economic hardship on a private enterprise or entity in the form of establishing extra rights to those who deem themselves the opposite sex or gender in which they are in reality, be it separate facilities or additional facilities wanted by this individual. The law should not require the private entity treat anyone with special privileges, regardless of their gender identity.

## **Immigration and (Illegal) Immigrants**

1. Supports enforcement of current immigration laws.

## **Energy**

1. Opposes any 'Cap and Trade' legislation and opposes the Clean Power Plan.

## **Foreign Policy and Defense**

1. Strongly supports our United States armed forces and recognizes them as the guardians of our freedom and rights.