

Resolution in Support of Enacting Legislation to Require North Carolina Sheriffs to Cooperate with ICE

Whereas North Carolina citizens depend on law enforcement agencies and sheriffs to implement the state laws that are intended to deter criminality in the state;

Whereas North Carolina enacted House Bill 318 (Session Law 2015-194) in 2015 prohibiting cities and counties from adopting sanctuary ordinances that protect illegal aliens from removal processes;

Whereas upon refusal of some sheriffs to collaborate with ICE (U.S. Immigration, Customs Enforcement) in enforcement of immigration law, both houses of the North Carolina General Assembly passed HB370 in 2019 further to strengthen the role of ICE in protecting our communities, which was vetoed by Governor Cooper;

Whereas sheriffs in several North Carolina counties have continued to refuse to collaborate with ICE agents' legal efforts to protect communities; and

Whereas House Bill 10, which addresses the refusal of some sheriffs to perform their lawful responsibilities, passed the North Carolina House in 2023, but has not passed the Senate;

Resolved that the Fourth District Republican Party calls on the North Carolina Senate to pass House Bill 10 in the 2024 Short Session.

Adopted April 6, 2024 by the Fourth District Republican Party

Submitted by Waddy Davis, Chairman of the Fourth District Resolutions Committee
(first submitted by Durham County Republican Party)

Resolution Against Antisemitism on Campus and Throughout North Carolina

Whereas antisemitism has increased 380 percent since Hamas attacked civilians in Israel on October 7, 2023;

Whereas antisemitism at the University of North Carolina, on campuses across our state, and K-12 schools is primarily driven by anti-Zionism;

Whereas Zionism is the movement supporting the right of the Jewish people to self-determination in their ancestral homeland, Israel;

Whereas anti-Zionism is a type of antisemitism;

Whereas this type of antisemitism has been promulgated in part by anti-Israel faculty in North Carolina schools, and has sown moral confusion, leading students in North Carolina to side with terrorist organizations such as Hamas;

Whereas antisemitism is chilling free speech on campus;

Whereas in order to combat antisemitism it is crucial to define it;

Whereas the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) definition delineates all forms of antisemitism, including anti-Israel antisemitism; and

Whereas 34 states have adopted the IHRA definition which serves as an important tool for law enforcement, public officials, and community members to help identify, measure, monitor and ultimately combat antisemitism, with a goal to protect North Carolina's minority Jewish population; and

Whereas the United States National Strategy to Counter Antisemitism (May, 2023) outlines a "whole of society" plan to protect the Jewish community from antisemitism and terrorism, including federal, state, and local educational efforts.

RESOLVED the Fourth District Republican Party urges the North Carolina legislature to adopt verbatim the IHRA and United States' State Department definition of antisemitism; and

RESOLVED the Fourth District Republican Party urges the North Carolina Board of Education and local Boards of Education to establish policies with actionable measures to address engagement in antisemitism by administration, faculty or staff, in the University of North Carolina system, other universities, or K -12 schools, including demotion or firing, as they would to protect any other racial, ethnic, or religious minority.

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Submitted by Waddy Davis, Chairman of Fourth District Resolutions Committee (based on resolutions submitted by Orange County and Durham County Republican Parties)

Resolution For Medical Freedom and Individual Liberty

Whereas in March of 2020, in response to a new Coronavirus (COVID 19), the Governor declared a state of emergency and issued orders regarding social distancing, masks, limitations on gatherings, school closures and testing;

Whereas these measures were not based on sound scientific evidence, and were allowed to continue for a prolonged period, despite great harm to the community, especially our students;

Whereas a COVID vaccine that was rushed to market and exempted from the usual safety and efficacy protocols for the development of vaccines became available in December 2020;

Whereas the practice of medicine in America has been based on the doctor/patient relationship, involving the discussion of risks and benefits of each treatment where patients have traditionally been free to make decisions on their own behalf; and

Whereas some North Carolina residents have been pressured to receive some interventions, such as vaccines, while limiting access to off-label treatments for COVID;

Resolved that the Fourth District Republican Party contends that medical care decisions should remain in the hands of North Carolina residents, while working with their physicians or advanced care providers; and

Resolved that the Fourth District Republican Party believes that North Carolinians should be free to make their own medical choices, without coercion, discrimination, or government interference.

Adopted April 6, 2024 by the Fourth District Republican Party

Submitted by Waddy Davis, Chairman Fourth District Resolutions Committee (first submitted by Chatham County Republican Party)

Resolution Regarding Rights of J6 North Carolinians

Whereas many citizens from North Carolina participated in the events of January 6, 2021, exercising their Constitutional right to petition their government regarding the 2020 Presidential election;

Whereas the United States Department of Justice has unfairly targeted individuals who attended the rallies on January 6, invading their privacy and stacking unreasonable criminal counts on them, which has caused all citizens to doubt and lose confidence in the impartiality of the United States' system of justice;

Whereas those who faced charges stemming from their participation in the events of January 6 were tried and convicted in Washington DC, rather than facing their peers in North Carolina;

Whereas participants at the protest are widely reported to have been inadequately defended due in part to financial constraints;

Whereas some North Carolinians who attended the January 6 rally have been sentenced to imprisonment and fines that appear to be significantly excessive and disproportionate to the charges that were brought; and

Whereas citizens of North Carolina look to their elected representatives to advocate that our judicial system continue to be based on equal justice under the law,

Resolved that the Fourth District Republican Party strongly urges North Carolina's Congressional delegation to determine the status of citizens from our state who face or have faced investigation, prosecution, charges, sentences, incarceration, fines, and imprisonment resulting from their participation in the events of January 6, 2021;

Resolved that the Congress hold the U.S. Department of Justice accountable for any abuses of its authority related to these cases; and

Resolved, that the Fourth District Republican Party calls on the President of the United States to grant full pardons to the individuals who committed no crime and were simply exercising their Constitutional rights.

Adopted April 6, 2024, by the Fourth District Republican Party.

Submitted by Waddy Davis, Chair Fourth District Resolutions Committee (first submitted by Durham County Republican Party)

Resolution to Hold President Biden Accountable for the Border Crisis

Whereas the President of the United States has a duty under Article II of our Constitution to take care that the laws be faithfully executed, and as Commander-in-Chief of our armed forces, must protect the country;

Whereas the Republican Party successfully took the House majority in the 2022 midterm election cycle and can now initiate investigations into the Biden administration's failure to secure our southern border;

Whereas the Biden administration's policies have resulted in the largest number of monthly southern border encounters on record (301,983 in December, 2023);

Whereas over 7.5 million illegal aliens have crossed the southern border since the beginning of the Biden administration, including gang members and over 98 of those apprehended were on the terrorist watch list;

Whereas drug overdose deaths have reached an all-time high due in large part to drugs pouring across the southern border, with over 34,000 pounds of fentanyl being seized at the southern border since President Biden took office;

Whereas fentanyl is the leading cause of death for Americans between the ages of 18 and 45;

Whereas the Biden administration released tens of thousands of illegal aliens into the United States without ordering them to appear in court for immigration hearings on specific dates and allowed illegal aliens who have coronavirus and other diseases to enter the United States;

Whereas human smuggling and trafficking, enabled by President Biden's border policies create an estimated \$1 billion per month industry for organized smugglers and traffickers; and

Whereas President Biden's neglect of the border crisis is a failure to maintain and defend American sovereignty;

Resolved the Fourth District Republican Party urges Congress to conduct a full investigation into all aspects of the Biden administration's handling of the southern border, and if the facts support it, take all appropriate action against administration officials found derelict in their duty to protect our homeland, up to and including impeachment; and

Resolved the Fourth District Republican Party encourages Congress to take additional legislative measures to secure our borders from dangers to Americans.

Adopted April 6, 2024 by the Fourth District Republican Party

Submitted by Waddy Davis, Chairman Fourth District Resolutions Committee (originally submitted by Orange County Republican Party)

Resolution in Support of Israel and Calling for the Unconditional Release of Hostages

Whereas the Jewish people are indigenous to the Land of Israel, trace their roots to their ancestral lands in Israel, and there has been a continuous presence of Jews in the land of Israel for over 4,000 years;

Whereas Israel was re-established on May 14, 1948;

Whereas Israel has demonstrated its desire for regional stability and has made peace with other nations in the region;

Whereas Israel unilaterally withdrew from Gaza in 2005, even exhuming the dead from the Jewish cemetery and leaving extensive high-tech businesses, green houses, and the means for Gaza to become another economic powerhouse in the Middle East, to be governed and run exclusively by Gazans;

Whereas the Gazans destroyed businesses left by the Israelis;

Whereas a brutal civil war occurred in Gaza with the result that Hamas was the elected the governing authority;

Whereas since then, Hamas has stolen and misappropriated billions of dollars earmarked for humanitarian aid using it for advancement of terrorist goals and have kept the people of Gaza terrorized and destitute;

Whereas on October 7, 2023, the day after the 50th anniversary of the 1973 Yom Kippur War, Hamas, a U.S.-designated Foreign Terrorist Organization, initiated a large-scale, unprovoked brutal attack on Israel from multiple fronts, including air, sea, and ground assaults;

Whereas this brutal attack led to the murder, rape, torture, and abduction of over 1,200 Israeli citizens, soldiers and foreign residents of 25 other countries, spanning various age groups including babies, children, the elderly, and Holocaust survivors;

Whereas the violence initiated by Hamas on October 7, 2023, has resulted in the death of over 1,200, including at least 23 Americans, inflicted injuries on thousands more, and over 240 Israelis and citizens of many other nations have been held hostage;

Whereas although some of the hostages have been returned to Israel through negotiations, approximately 136 hostages, including American citizens, alive and dead, remain in Hamas captivity today;

Whereas the offenses against human life on October 7, 2023 have exceeded the brutality of that of Nazi Germany;

Whereas the United Nations Special Representative on Sexual Violence in Conflict has confirmed “clear and convincing evidence” of the extent of the brutality;

Whereas Israel has the right to defend itself and its people;

Whereas Israel has demonstrated its respect for human life by taking care to announce military strikes in advance thus giving civilians time to evacuate targeted areas;

Whereas the United States must do all they can to support Israel; and

Whereas the Biden Administration should not interfere with Israel's elected Government, and even more so in the midst of an existential war;

Resolved that the Fourth District Republican Party calls for the Biden Administration to provide Israel with all the needed military equipment, supplies and aid it has requested, and to underscore Israel's goals in this conflict;

Resolved that the Fourth District Republican Party calls for the Biden Administration to be unwavering in its unconditional support of Israel and recognize Israel's right to defend itself against its enemies in the manner in which it sees fit with the leadership lawfully elected by the Israeli People;

Resolved that the Fourth District Republican Party urges full enforcement of the Taylor Force Act which restricts United States foreign assistance from benefiting Israel's adversaries, whether directly or indirectly; and

Resolved that the Fourth District Republican Party expresses it's continued, unequivocal and unwavering support for the nation of Israel.

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Submitted by Waddy Davis, Chairman of the Fourth District Republican Party (final version combined from resolutions sent from Chatham County, Durham County and Orange County Republican Parties)