

**REPUBLICAN PARTY OF MINNESOTA**

**RESOLUTIONS FORM**

Feb.1, 2022 Precinct Caucus

**STEPS TO CHANGE THE PLATFORM of the REPUBLICAN PARTY of MINNESOTA:**

1. Resolutions that are passed at the **Precinct Caucus** will be forwarded to the **2022 BPOU Convention**. The **BPOU Convention** votes on these Resolutions, requiring a simple majority to pass.
2. Resolutions that are passed at the **BPOU Convention** are then forwarded to the **2022 Congressional District Convention** where they are voted on; a simple majority is required to pass.
3. Resolutions that are passed at the **Congressional District Convention** will then be forwarded to the **2022 State Convention** where they are voted on.
4. Resolutions that are passed at the 2022 State Convention are incorporated into the **Standing Platform** of the **Republican Party of Minnesota**.

You may wish to review the **Standing Platform of the Republican Party of Minnesota** before writing your proposed Resolution. You may submit a resolution that is already covered in the Platform, or to change some of the words in the current Standing Platform, or to add something new. The Convention committees will handle all those appropriately.

*A maximum-5-minute discussion, pro and con alternately, will commence. A vote will take place and if passed, this Resolution will be forwarded to the BPOU Convention. Give your resolution to the Secretary after voting.*

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*I move that this precinct caucus support the following resolution: (use back if more space needed)*

The Minnesota Republican Party will demonstrate its support for fully funded public school nutrition programs (Universal School Meals) so all Minnesota families have equitable access to healthy meals, contributing to overall community health and food security.

Supportive Points:

School Nutrition programs are fundamental to education. The research is clear: educational outcomes - manifested as better reading and math scores, lower grade retention rates - improve significantly when students experience food stability. Very few people contest the benefits of the school nutrition program. Where we fall short is investing in this shared value.

School districts see a crisis developing where district shortfalls in school nutrition funds will be debilitating if funding is not provided for this essential educational benefit. Other states - CA and ME - have met this pending crisis by including funds for Universal School Meals in their state. For too long we have relied on a system of meal benefits that is not working, relying on parents to fill out applications while ignoring the fact that it is the only educational benefit in our "free" and public school system that we make students pay for

Fully funding school meals is the best way to address food insecurity and its adverse impacts on communities by stabilizing our existing local infrastructure, reducing costs, and establishing and maintaining local supply chains, all of which increase efficiencies, remove barriers and strengthen economies at the local level.

**Submitted by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**BPOU:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Precinct:** \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION: Passed: \_\_\_ Defeated: \_\_\_**

**Secretary Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_