

**Complaint Description**

Cdriskell reported an issue (Fri, 30 Nov 2018 at 5:36 PM)

See attached letter dated December 3, 2018.

**What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?**

It is an impermissible use of public resources in aid of campaign matter.

**List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found.**

See attached letter with attachments

**List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them.**

Jeremiah Schreindl, phone number listed in my letter.

**Complaint Certification:**

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that information provided with this complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.



OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

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December 3, 2018

Tabitha Blacksmith  
Washington State Public Disclosure Commission  
PO Box 40908  
Olympia, WA 98504-0908

*Re: Reporting of violation by City employee*

Pursuant to our prior discussion in October of this year, the City recently became aware that one of our staff members made several uses of public facilities in a manner that we believe violates RCW 42.17A.555 because our email system and a printer were used for campaign purposes in Idaho.

By way of background, the staff member at issue is Jeremiah Schreindl, who has worked for the City as an Assistant Engineer for a little more than one year. Mr. Schreindl has previously only worked for private companies, with the exception of one short duration public job in Idaho which did not include use of a computer system. Mr. Schreindl lives in Rathdrum, Idaho, and commutes to Spokane Valley each day for work. Mr. Schreindl was recently appointed to precinct officer position in Kootenai County, Idaho, which is equivalent to a PCO in Washington. Mr. Schreindl does not apparently have a home computer and, when emails came regarding his new precinct officer position, he forwarded them to his City of Spokane Valley email address so that he may print a hard copy for his use at home.

This issue came to light when a second staff member saw what Mr. Schreindl was printing out, advised him that this was inappropriate, and that he should talk with me about it. Mr. Schreindl then immediately contacted me to self-report the violation and has been very forthcoming in addressing this. The second staff member has been with the City longer and was more familiar with the prohibition. Our office provides training to all staff members at least once per year on the requirements of the Public Record Act, which includes discussion about appropriate versus inappropriate email usage. Additionally, in response to this incident, I personally email all staff for the City with detailed information about the prohibitions on use of public facilities regarding campaign activities. A copy of that email is included with this letter. Nearly identical emails have gone to Councilmembers for approximately five years because they seemed the more-likely risk. I am attaching a copy of the 2018 version, which was sent in January, before these actions.

I have advised Mr. Schreindl that the City would be initiating a self-reporting of the issue to the PDC, and that he may receive a penalty from the PDC as a result, which he acknowledged. Further, the City issued Mr. Schreindl a formal letter of reprimand, which has been placed in his personnel file. I am also including copies of all documents that Mr. Schreindl put on the City system. I have advised Mr. Schreindl that I am filing this matter on behalf of the City, and that I do not represent his interests. He asked that if you need to contact him, please do so on his personal phone, (2080 964-4580). Alternatively, you may contact me and I can pass information on to him.

The City recently became aware of a second email circumstance involving a different employee, which will be the subject of a separate letter. I only mention it here for future reference.

The City takes these issues very seriously, as demonstrated by our training and email notices. We will attempt to emphasize this issue even more in the future to try to keep this type of thing from happening again.

Please let me know if you have any questions or comments.

Very truly yours,

Cary P. Driskell

CPD

c: John Whitehead, Human Resources Manager (w/enc.)  
Jeremiah Schreindl (w/enc.)

**From:** [jeremiah.schreindl](mailto:jeremiah.schreindl)  
**To:** [Jeremiah.Schreindl](mailto:Jeremiah.Schreindl)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Agenda for Tuesday the 25th  
**Date:** Monday, September 24, 2018 9:16:24 PM  
**Attachments:** [KCRCC Agenda September 25 2018.pdf](#)  
[2018 Horse Racing Initiative Prop 1..pdf](#)  
[2018 Medicaid Expansion Wording P rop 2.pdf](#)

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----- Forwarded message -----

From: Brent Regan <[brentreganeda@gmail.com](mailto:brentreganeda@gmail.com)>  
Date: Mon, Sep 24, 2018, 12:39 PM  
Subject: Agenda for Tuesday the 25th  
To:

Dear Committeemen,

Please find the Agenda for our next meeting attached.

I have also attached information on the two Propositions on the ballot for your review.

Regards  
Brent Regan  
Chairman KCRCC



**Kootenai County Republican Central Committee Agenda  
September 25th, 2018, 7:00 PM**

**Kootenai County Administration Building Room 1A/B  
451 Government Way, Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814**

**Call to Order**

**Invocation**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Programs and/or Special Guests:**

- Recognition of Volunteers: FUN-raiser
- Guests- Julie Ellsworth, Doug Okuniewicz, Steve Vick, Vito Barbieri, John Green
- Chairman's Comments

**Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum**

**Reading and Approval of Minutes**

- August 28th, 2018 meeting

**Treasurer's Report**

**Committee Reports**

- Lincoln Day
- Elections- Literature Stuffing Party
- Legislative

**Unfinished Business - None**

**New Business**

- Consideration of Resignations- Josi Thyr, Clay Theander
- Discussion of Propositions 1 & 2
- Social Media Update
- Consideration of Resolutions
- Other New Business
- Nominations for Precincts 29, 32, 43, 46, 48, 57, 59 & 67
- Notice for Vacant Precincts 4, 29, 32, 43, 46, 48, 57, 59, 67 & 68

**Announcements**

- Republican Women Federated
- North Idaho Pachyderms
- Panhandle Pachyderms
- NWPOA
- Other

**Adjournment**



## WARNING

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JAN 24 PM 4:06  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
STATE OF IDAHO

## INITIATIVE PETITION

To the Honorable Lawrence Denney, Secretary of State of the State of Idaho:

“We, the undersigned citizens and qualified electors of the State of Idaho, respectfully demand that the following proposed law, to-wit:

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Idaho:

**Section 1. Title.** This act shall be known as the Save Horse Racing in Idaho Act.

**Section 2. Findings and Purposes.**

The people of the State of Idaho recognize and declare the following:

(1) Idaho’s horse racing industry is an important contributor to the state’s economy (approximately \$50 million in annual payroll, sales, goods and services in 2015) and an enduring element of our Western heritage. Enabling historical horse racing terminals (“HHR”) will save the horse racing industry and bring back hundreds of local, good-paying jobs and create hundreds of new ones.

(2) Like live horse race wagering, HHR terminals are pari-mutuel, which means that the law requires that a high percentage of money wagered be returned to bettors (unlike most casino games), with a small percentage taken out to cover operating expenses. Pari-mutuel wagering is allowed under Idaho’s Constitution, and it is regulated and audited by the state.

(3) In 2013, the Idaho Legislature voted to allow HHR at horse racing tracks in Idaho. During the following year of operation, approximately 90% of all HHR wagering was returned to bettors. In addition, HHR became the primary funding source to increase live horse purses from \$2000 to \$5000 per race, providing a more sustainable source of income and economic stability to horsemen.

(4) However, two years later a gubernatorial veto that would have protected HHR was ruled invalid due to a discrepancy about the veto’s timing. This action triggered track closures, loss of employment (over 535 jobs) and harm to and the closure of local small businesses and family owned horse farms.

(5) This ballot measure would reauthorize and enable pari-mutuel HHR wagering to resume and be limited to existing race tracks that are authorized to conduct live and/or simulcast wagering. It would require by statute that at least 90% of all HHR revenues be returned to bettors and contain strict independent accountability measures and regulatory oversight provisions. This initiative would also explicitly prohibit slot machines.

(6) More importantly, this initiative will bring back hundreds of local, good-paying jobs, create hundreds of new ones and provide over \$50 million in economic activity. It will also benefit

Idaho's rural communities and public schools while saving the important legacy of Idaho's horse racing industry.

(7) This ballot measure would provide much needed money for public school classrooms.

(8) The use of HHR to boost a state's economy and protect its horse racing industry is not unique. Currently, neighboring states like Oregon and Wyoming, as well as Kentucky and Arkansas allow HHR, while 21 states allow some form of gaming to supplement the business of live horse racing.

(9) HHR allows the horse racing industry to survive without government support. Without HHR, horse racing in Idaho will no longer be sustainable and will cease to exist.

(10) Repeated attempts by the horse racing industry and its proponents to restore HHR through the Legislature have failed, jeopardizing the existence of live horse racing. Therefore, the citizens of Idaho desire to secure the future of live horse racing in Idaho themselves through this ballot measure. This measure is a fair, reasonable, legal solution that balances the benefits of saving horse racing with concerns about gaming. Furthermore, it clarifies that it is public policy of the State of Idaho that wagering on HHR is pari-mutuel and allowed under the Idaho Constitution.

**Section 3: 54-2502, Idaho Code, is hereby amended as follows:**

54-2502. DEFINITIONS. Unless the context otherwise requires, words and phrases as used herein shall mean:

(1) "Commission" means the Idaho state racing commission, hereinafter created.

(2) "Gross daily receipts" means the total of all sums deposited in all pools for each race day.

(3) "Historical horse race" means a race involving live horses that was conducted in the past and that is rebroadcast by electronic means and shown on a delayed or replayed basis for the purposes of pari-mutuel wagering conducted at a facility that is authorized to show simulcast and/or televised races- where at least eight (8) live horse race days are conducted annually, or where such simulcast facility is subject to 54-2514A(1), Idaho Code.

(4) "Horsemen's group" means an organization composed of licensed owners and/or trainers duly registered with the secretary of state and recognized by the Idaho [state] racing commission.

(5) "Host facility" means the racetrack at which the race is run, or the facility which is designated as the host facility if the race is run in a jurisdiction which is not participating in the interstate combined wagering pool.

(6) "Host jurisdiction" means the jurisdiction in which the host facility is located.

(7) "Interstate common wagering pool" means a pari-mutuel pool established in one (1) jurisdiction which is combined with comparable pari-mutuel pools from one (1) or more racing jurisdictions. Such pool is established for the purpose of establishing pay-off prices in the various jurisdictions.

(8) "Pari-mutuel" means any system whereby wagers with respect to the outcome of a race are placed with, or in, a wagering pool conducted by a person licensed or otherwise permitted to do so under state

law, and in which the participants are wagering with each other and not against the operator.

(9) "Persons" means and includes individuals, firms, corporations and associations.

(10) "Pool" means the total sum of all moneys wagered in each race for each type of bet. Types of bets include win, place, show, quinella, daily double, exacta, trifecta, etc., and such other types as are approved by the commission from time to time.

(11) "Race meet" means and includes any exhibition of thoroughbred, purebred, and/or registered horse racing, mule racing or dog racing, where the pari-mutuel system of wagering is used. Singular includes the plural and plural includes the singular; and words importing one gender shall be regarded as including all other genders.

(12) "Racing jurisdiction" or "jurisdiction" means a governmental jurisdiction responsible for the regulation of pari-mutuel racing in that jurisdiction.

(13) "Simulcast" means the telecast or other transmission of live audio and visual signals of a race, transmitted from a sending track to a receiving location, for the purpose of wagering conducted on the race at the receiving location.

**Section 4. Chapter 25, Title 54, Idaho Code, is hereby amended by the addition thereto of NEW SECTIONS, to be known and designated as Section 54-2512A, 54-2512B, and 54-2512C Idaho Code, and to read as follows:**

**54-2512A. Pari-mutuel betting on historical horse race video terminals — Distributions of deposits — Historical horse race purse moneys fund.**

(1) Wagering on an historical horse race is declared to be lawful and such wagering may be conducted at any facility located within the grounds or enclosure where live and/or simulcast horse racing is conducted and where at least eight (8) live horse race days are conducted annually, or where such simulcast facility is subject to 54-2514A(1), Idaho Code. Wagering on an historical horse race shall be conducted in accordance with the pari-mutuel system pursuant to the provisions of this chapter and in accordance with all rules promulgated by the commission.

(2) Historical horse racing terminals shall not be activated by a handle or lever, do not dispense coins, currency, tokens, or chips, and shall only perform the following functions:

(a) Accept currency or other representative of value to qualify a player to participate in one or more games;

(b) Dispense, at the player's request, a cash-out ticket that has printed upon it the game identifier and the player's credit balance;

(c) Show on a video screen or other electronic display, rather than on a paper ticket, the results of each game played;

(d) Show on a video screen or other electronic display, in an area separate from the game results, the player's credit balance;

(e) Maintain the integrity of the operations of the terminal.

(3) Notwithstanding any other provision of Idaho law, a historical horse racing terminal as described in sub-section (2) above is not a slot machine or an electronic or electromechanical imitation or simulation of any form of casino gambling.

(4) Each licensee conducting the pari-mutuel system for historical horse races shall distribute and pay all sums deposited in any historical horse race pool as follows:

(a) No less than ninety percent (90%) of gross daily receipts in various wagering pools shall be established to fund reserves and payoffs for distribution and payment to winning wagers;

(b) One percent (1.00%) of gross daily receipts shall be provided to the Idaho state racing commission for distribution and deposit in designated accounts, as follows:

- (i) One half of one percent (.50%) to the Public School Income Fund;
- (ii) One-fourth of one percent (0.25%) of gross daily receipts to the racing commission account within the state regulatory fund;
- (iii) One-tenth of one percent (0.10%) of gross daily receipts to the track distribution account within the pari-mutuel distribution fund;
- (iv) One-tenth of one percent (0.10%) of gross daily receipts to the breed distribution account within the pari-mutuel distribution fund, to be split equally between the Idaho thoroughbred and quarter horse breeders;
- (v) One-twentieth of one percent (0.05%) of gross daily receipts to the Idaho Horse Council youth programs account, which is hereby created within the pari-mutuel distribution fund; and

(c) The balance of gross daily receipts to the licensee. All moneys in these accounts are hereby continuously appropriated to the commission for further distribution and time of payment as provided in section 54-2513, Idaho Code.

(5) Each licensee conducting the pari-mutuel system for historical horse races shall enter into an agreement with a horsemen's group, as the term "horsemen's group" is defined in section 54-2502, Idaho Code, that shall address, but not be limited to, establishing the percentage of the historical horse race handle that is dedicated to the live horse race purse structure. In addition, the agreement shall provide that all historical race purse moneys that are accrued as required by horsemen's agreements shall be held in the historical horse race moneys fund created pursuant to the provisions of this section.

(6) The historical horse race purse moneys fund is hereby created in the state treasury. Moneys in the fund shall consist of all historical horse race moneys that are accrued as required by horsemen's agreements. Moneys in the fund are hereby perpetually appropriated to the Idaho State Racing Commission for distribution pursuant to the provisions of horsemen's agreements and rules of the Commission. The Commission is authorized to promulgate rules providing for the receipt, deposit, withdrawal and distribution of such moneys. The state treasurer shall invest idle moneys in the fund and any interest received on those investments shall be returned to the fund which is created pursuant to the provisions of this section.

(7) The Commission shall promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code, to implement the provisions of this section.

**54-2512B. Effect.**

Notwithstanding any other provision of Idaho law, this act shall be in full force and effect after voter approval and immediately upon completion of the canvass of the votes by the Board of Canvassers. No further action by the executive or legislative branches of state government are required to implement the provisions of this act.

**54-2512C. Severability.**

The terms of this act are severable such that if any term or provision is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be illegal, void, or unenforceable, the remaining provisions of this act shall continue to be valid and enforceable.

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STATE OF IDAHO

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### INITIATIVE PETITION

To: The Honorable Lawrence Denney, Secretary of State of the State of Idaho:

"We, the undersigned citizens and qualified electors of the State of Idaho, respectfully demand that the following proposed law, to-wit:

1 AN ACT  
2 RELATING TO MEDICAID; AMENDING CHAPTER 2, TITLE 56, IDAHO CODE, BY THE  
3 ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 56-267, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE  
4 SHALL AMEND ITS STATE PLAN TO EXPAND MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY TO CERTAIN  
5 PERSONS AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE IS  
6 REQUIRED AND AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT  
7 THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION; AND AMENDING SECTION 56-262, IDAHO CODE, TO  
8 PROVIDE A CORRECT CODE REFERENCE.

9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

10 SECTION 1. That Chapter 2, Title 56, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby  
11 amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and designated  
12 as Section 56-267, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

13 56-267. MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY EXPANSION. (1) Notwithstanding any provision of law  
14 or federal waiver to the contrary, the state shall amend its state plan to expand Medicaid  
15 eligibility to include those persons under sixty-five (65) years of age whose modified adjusted  
16 gross income is one hundred thirty-three percent (133%) of the federal poverty level or below  
17 and who are not otherwise eligible for any other coverage under the state plan, in accordance  
18 with sections 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII) and 1902(e)(14) of the Social Security Act.

19 (2) No later than 90 days after approval of this act, the department shall submit any  
20 necessary state plan amendments to the United States Department of Health and Human  
21 Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to implement the provisions of this  
22 section. The department is required and authorized to take all actions necessary to implement  
23 the provisions of this section as soon as practicable.

24 SECTION 2. That Section 56-262, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby  
25 amended to read as follows:

26 56-262. DEFINITIONS. The definitions contained in section 56-252, Idaho Code, shall  
27 apply to sections 56-260 through ~~56-266~~ 56-267, Idaho Code. END.

shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the State of Idaho, for their approval or rejection at the regular general election, to be held on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, A.D. 2018, and each for himself says: I have personally signed this petition; I am a qualified elector of the State of Idaho; my residence and legislative district are correctly written after my name."

**Idaho Republican Party**  
**Convention Resolutions**  
2018 Idaho Republican State Convention  
June 28 – 30, 2018



**Idaho Republican Party Chairman:** Jonathan Parker

**Resolutions Committee Co-Chairs:**  
Machele Hamilton and Brent Regan

Friday, June 29th  
8:30 AM – 11:30 AM  
Lecture Center, Building 67, Room 10

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# Proposed Resolution 2018 – 1

## **Resolution in Opposition to an Initiative to Provide that the State shall Amend its Tax Plan to expand Medicaid Eligibility to Certain Persons**

WHEREAS, an initiative to expand MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY TO ADULTS UNDER THE AGE OF SIXTY-FIVE YEARS of age is expected to be on the general election ballot of November 6, 2018 and;

WHEREAS, the Idaho Legislature having rejected the expansion of Medicaid to able-bodied adults through its rejection of bills to expand Medicaid and;

WHEREAS, Medicaid expansion to able-bodied adults would be an expansion of Idaho's participation in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and;

WHEREAS, Medicaid expansion is in contravention to Article XIII, Section 2.B of the Idaho GOP Platform which calls for the repeal of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and;

WHEREAS, the current Medicaid program is already cannibalizing dollars for schools and roads by growing at a faster rate than other major programs and expansion will further erode support for other critical spending needs and;

WHEREAS, Medicaid expansion is predicated on funding that requires 90 percent federal support dollars through an expected Federal Medical Assistance Percentage rate of 90 percent federal and 10 percent state dollars and;

WHEREAS, the federal government is more than \$21 trillion in debt with annual deficits adding over \$1 trillion in additional debt each year, an unsustainable level of borrowing that cannot go indefinitely and;

WHEREAS, other states that have expanded Medicaid have experienced higher than projected enrollments and costs and have raised taxes to pay for expansion, now;

THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the Idaho Republican Party formally opposes the initiative to expand Medicaid eligibility as detailed in the Initiative Petition dated November 20, 2017 as submitted to the Idaho Secretary of State.

# Proposed Resolution 2018 – 2

## Resolution to Support an Alternate Solution to Medicaid Expansion

Whereas, the Idaho GOP Platform in Article XIII Sec.1 under the Private Enterprise Health Care Delivery System states, “ We support a private enterprise health care delivery system that provides cost-effective, quality health care with minimal government regulation, and

WHEREAS, Article XIII Sec. 2A of the Republican Platform states under the Patient Protection and Affordable Healthcare Act, “We oppose socialized medicine and government mandated health insurance”, and

WHEREAS, turning to solutions to “medigap” problems through the private sector follows the principles of the Republican Party, and

WHEREAS, keeping patients out of the emergency room means better patient care and savings for taxpayers, and

WHEREAS, most businesses who hire more than 50 full time employees provide good health benefits, and businesses with fewer than 50 full time employees are benefitted by the Small Business Health Options Program (as of January 1, 2018) in providing affordable private insurance, and

WHEREAS, neighboring states who have accepted Medicaid Expansion have discovered that:

- 100% of the time enrollment exceed projections, at least by 110%, and often
- much more;
- 100% of the time the cost goes over budget;
- 100% of the time emergency room usage increases.

(see recent Foundation for Government Accountability Report and article by Nicholas Horton, National Review, February 21, 2018), and

WHEREAS, many uninsured workers with part time jobs cut their hours to become eligible for the Medicaid expansion, saving them more money by not working, which increased the state’s share of the cost to the federal government for the expansion program causing some states to increase taxes to pay for the unintended escalations,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Republican Party opposes Medicaid expansion but supports legislation to encourage and incentivize health providers and other businesses to create nonprofit private health care clinics for the uninsured to receive basic health care without relying on taxpayer money and federal government control.

## **Proposed Resolution 2018 – 3**

### **Resolution to Ensure Children and School Safety**

WHEREAS, as Idahoans and as Republicans, we value all life with the utmost respect and hold the lives of our children as especially precious, and

WHEREAS school shootings, bullying, mental health, and other issues of safety are of concern, and

WHEREAS, there is a debate as to what needs done to protect and safeguard our state's children, and

WHEREAS, we hold firmly to the 2nd amendment rights granted us as US Citizens, and

WHEREAS, heinous acts have been carried out in “gun-free” zones in schools and open public locations, resulting in multiple injuries and high loss of lives of defenseless victims, and

WHEREAS, the well-meaning but ultimate lack of defense in a designated “gun free zone” is also known by perpetrators, and

WHEREAS, this issue is worthy of our attention and needing a sensible and responsible solution,

BE IT RESOLVED, it is imperative we preserve our 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment rights and that we render no citizen defenseless, and no child unprotected, in an active shooter situation.

BE IT RESOLVED, that laws, rules and protocol be consistent, statewide.

BE IT RESOLVED we urge Idaho lawmakers and school officials to ban any and all “gun-free zone” proclamations, visible or otherwise, for any of our publicly funded schools or public places.

BE IT RESOLVED, we believe it is vital that in Idaho we empower qualified, law-abiding individuals, such as Veterans and retired Police and other trained adult individuals to carry concealed firearms, including in our public places and schools.

BE IT RESOLVED, we deem it vital that all students in Idaho schools receive age-appropriate opportunity for firearm familiarity and safety training, and that emergency drills include well-advised shooter-response protocols.

## **Proposed Resolution 2018 – 4**

### **Resolution to Commemorate Israel's 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

WHEREAS, the year of 2018 marks the 70th Anniversary of the founding of the modern State of Israel in the ancestral home of the Jewish people; and

WHEREAS, On November 29, 1947, the United Nations General Assembly voted to partition the British Mandate of Palestine, and through that vote, to create the State of Israel; and

WHEREAS, Israel was officially declared an independent nation on May 14, 1948, in fulfillment of the eternal desire of the Jewish people to return to the land of the historic Kingdom of Israel established 3,000 years ago and to the holy city of Jerusalem; and

WHEREAS, The modern State of Israel was born out of the ashes of the Holocaust and World War II where the death of six million Jews did not eliminate the will of a people to seek dignity in life and a place of respect and recognition among the people of the civilized world; and

WHEREAS, The people of Israel have established a vibrant political system, including freedom of speech, association, and religion; a vigorously free press; free, fair and open elections; the rule of law; and a fully independent judiciary; and

WHEREAS, Israel has developed some of the leading universities in the world, and twelve Israeli citizens have been awarded the Nobel Prize; and

WHEREAS, Israel has developed an advanced, entrepreneurial economy, is among the world's leaders in the high-tech industry, and is at the forefront of research and development in the field of renewable energy sources; and

WHEREAS, Israel regularly sends humanitarian aid, search-and-rescue teams, mobile hospitals, and other emergency supplies, to help victims of disasters around the world, including the 1994 Rwandan civil war, the 1998 bombing of the United States Embassy in Kenya, the 1999 earthquakes in Turkey, the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami, the 2005 hurricanes along the southern coast of the United States, the 2007 fires in Greece, the 2008 China earthquake, the 2009 & 2013 typhoons in the Philippines, the 2010 Haiti earthquake, the 2011 Turkey earthquake, 2011 Japanese Tsunami, 2015 Nepal earthquake, and most recently, 2017 Houston's Hurricane Harvey; and

WHEREAS, Israel continues to strive for peace with security and dignity for itself, its neighbors and throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, Successive leaders of Israel have sought to achieve peace with Israel's Arab neighbors; and

WHEREAS, Israel has established peaceful bilateral relations with neighboring Egypt and

Jordan and has made its desire to establish peaceful relations with all Arab states abundantly clear; and

WHEREAS, For seven decades, the United States and Israel have maintained a special relationship based on mutually respected Judeo-Christian values, common strategic interests, and moral bonds of friendship and mutual respect; and

WHEREAS, Idaho and Israel share a dynamic and growing trade relationship upon which the economies of Israel and Idaho rely; and

WHEREAS, The people of Idaho share an affinity with the people of Israel and view Israel as a strong and trusted ally; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Idaho Republican Party congratulates the State of Israel upon the occasion of the 70th Anniversary of its independence and reaffirming the bonds of friendship and cooperation between Idaho and Israel; and

RESOLVED, That the Idaho Republican Party commends the people of Israel for their remarkable achievements in building a new state and a rule of law for everyone; and

RESOLVED, That the Idaho Republican Party extends the warmest congratulations and best wishes to the State of Israel and the Israeli people for a peaceful, prosperous, and successful future.

## **Proposed Resolution 2018 – 5**

### **A Resolution on SBAC/ISAT Opt-Out**

WHEREAS, providing quality education for Idaho’s children remains a top priority among constituents, and

WHEREAS, unnecessary time spent in the classroom is not in the best interest of the students; and

WHEREAS, the SBAC test, now referred to as the ISAT test, according to the Idaho State Department of Education and the SBAC representatives have estimated that it takes each student 6-8 ½ hours on average to complete the test; and

WHEREAS, over one million hours of instruction time in grades 3-10 is lost every year in Idaho; and

WHEREAS, proctors are hired and trained to administer the test making it more expensive; and

WHEREAS, other states have shown that especially in younger aged students, this test is causing unnecessary stress and anxiety; and

WHEREAS, the ISAT/ SBAC causes a disruption in classroom learning and computer lab availability; and

WHEREAS, the test scores are rarely seen by the teachers of the students, reducing their ability to assess their students; and

WHEREAS, there is little evidence that students statewide have improved their test scores over the past couple of years (see 2017-2018 EdTrends in Idaho Public Education);

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Idaho State Republican Party support legislation to require the Idaho School Board Association work with the Idaho State Board of Education, the Idaho Legislature, and the Idaho State Department of Education to:

- a) Allow school districts the choice to opt out of the SBAC test, enabling their teachers to decide which requirements of the Idaho (Common) Core Standards would be most beneficial and developmentally appropriate for their students.
- b) Any federal money that may be lost due to the ISAT (SBAC) opt out would be compensated as needed through the new Internet Sales Tax passed into law in 2018.

Voluntary opt out would free teachers to educate students without the stress of teaching to a test that is not only expensive and time consuming but also fails to deliver results in a timely manner to help improve teaching skills and student achievement.

## **Proposed Resolution 2018 – 6**

### **A Resolution in support of Stand-Your-Ground and Castle Doctrine laws in Idaho**

WHEREAS, under current law in Idaho, when using deadly force even if a citizen survives a violent attack on life, they have no criminal immunity protections, which can result in having to spend tens of thousands of dollars to defend themselves all over again in the courtroom; and,

WHEREAS, law-abiding gun owners should be able to exercise their God-given rights to self-defense, especially without fear of facing prosecution or bankruptcy; and,

WHEREAS, Stand-Your-Ground and Castle Doctrine laws should allow law-abiding gun owners in Idaho the right to defend themselves and their loved ones against criminal invasion without facing prosecution; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on behalf of law-abiding gun owners across the State of Idaho, Republicans in this state should do whatever they can in their various positions to support and/or enact Stand-Your-Ground and Castle Doctrine bills with no weakening amendments; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this resolution should be forwarded to ALL Republican legislators in the State of Idaho; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the State Central Committee Resolutions Committee for consideration.

## **Proposed Resolution 2018 – 7**

### **A Resolution in support of reconsidering visual representations**

WHEREAS, with any political party, image is key; and,

WHEREAS, symbolic representation is important when selecting and continuing to use a logo; and,

WHEREAS, for a very long time in the context of politics in this country, the Republican Party has been represented with a depiction of an elephant and has been represented more simply with the color red with another party represented by blue; and,

WHEREAS, the powers that be while well-intentioned, did not choose a logo that fit this organization well; and,

WHEREAS, that very logo is of a blue elephant wearing red clothes, which has been often taken to mean a Democrat wearing Republican clothes, being a seriously bad look for the dominant party in this state; and,

WHEREAS, whether right or wrong, such an interpretation should be corrected, and just simply offering a more complimentary interpretation will not work in the course of good public relations;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican Party directs its State Central Committee to discuss coming up with a replacement of the Idaho GOP logo; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that a replacement logo can be discussed as soon as the next State Central Committee meeting but selected no later than the adjournment of the Summer 2019 State Central Committee meeting.

## **Proposed Resolution 2018 – 8**

### **Resolution Concerning the Election of Idaho State Party Officers**

WHEREAS, the Idaho State Republican Central Committee has delegated to the Idaho State Republican Convention the election of its officers, and

WHEREAS, the officers of the Idaho State Republican Central Committee are entrusted with significant decisions affecting the electoral success of Republicans at all levels of government, with the building and maintenance of the Republican brand and reputation in Idaho, and with fiduciary care over the finances of the Party, and

WHEREAS, the delegates and alternates who may vote on Idaho State Central Committee officers should have an opportunity to evaluate and verify the candidate's credentials, consider candidate resumes, evaluate candidate-proposed platforms and initiatives, and discuss among themselves the known qualification, reputation and integrity of those seeking office, and

WHEREAS, the time allowed within a single Convention of the Party is limited such that it may provide inadequate vetting and thoughtful consideration of each candidate prior to the casting of votes,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Idaho Republican Party in Convention assembled that the Chair of the Idaho State Republican Central Committee shall develop and propose for adoption by vote before the full Idaho State Republican Central Committee a procedure to place potential candidates for statewide Republican Party office before potential delegates and alternates in advance of the Convention, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such procedure should, at a minimum, include the following:

- a. A mechanism by which any person meeting the criteria to serve as a delegate or alternate to the Convention may announce their intent to seek election at least 30 days prior to the opening day of the Convention,
- b. A list of contact information allowing announced candidates to be invited to county, district and regional meetings of the Party in advance of the Convention, and
- c. An on-line resource allowing a limited amount of information, provided by and solely at the discretion of announced candidates, to be posted publicly, on the condition that the Chairman of the Central Committee shall ensure posted content is respectful and makes a positive statement as to the qualifications and character traits of each candidate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOVLED, that the procedure called for in this resolution shall be established and in effect 30 days prior to the opening day of the 2020 Idaho State Republican Party Convention.

## Proposed Resolution 2018 – 9

### **Resolution to condemn racial crimes, theft of property, and violence including murder of White South Africans condoned and codified by the Parliament of South Africa.**

Whereas, the Republican Party of the great State of Idaho unwaveringly believes in the inalienable rights of man as granted by God and applicable to all mankind, regardless of Nation of origin; and,

Whereas, the United States has, and continues, to serve as a beacon of hope and example for other nations regarding human rights; and,

Whereas, the United Nations has adopted a Universal Human Rights code of laws written with considerable input and guidance from the United States of America and have been adopted into the Charter of the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights; and,

Whereas, United Nations Universal Human Rights Laws seek to protect economic, social, cultural, civil, and political rights of minorities and other vulnerable groups from discrimination; and,

Whereas, the preamble of the International Bill of Human Rights states “recognition of the inherent dignity and of the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family is the foundation of freedom, justice, and peace in the world.”; and,

Whereas, the International Bill of Human Rights goes on to state that “disregard and contempt for human rights have resulted in barbarous acts which have outraged the conscience of mankind.”; and,

Whereas, the Parliament of South Africa voted in 2018 to amend section 25 of the South African Constitution to allow for expropriation of white-owned land without financial recompense.

Whereas, violence against white South African farmers, including hundreds of murders and land raids, have been perpetrated in South Africa in the past 12 months, and have been emboldened by the recent passage of the amendment to section 25 of the South African Constitution; and,

Whereas, three separate human rights commission investigations revealed widespread human rights violations against South African farmers including assaults, rapes, murders, and torture; and,

Whereas, South Africa currently receives approximately \$600 million US Dollars of Foreign Aid from the United States despite these verifiable human rights violations; therefore,

*Be it Resolved* the Idaho Republican Party petitions Senators Jim Risch and Mike Crapo, together with Representatives Raul Labrador and Mike Simpson, to draft a compelling resolution for the United States Congress calling for the immediate cessation of economic support for the country of South Africa until a verifiable end is brought to the South African ruling majority’s racism and human rights violations; and,

*Be it further Resolved, That*, by moving forward with this legislation the Parliament of South Africa is hereby recognized by the Idaho Republican Party as being in direct violation of the United Nations

proclamation on race and racial prejudice and as such has rendered forfeit any protections afforded by United States economic aid programs.

# Proposed Resolution 2018 – 10

## **Resolution calling on the State of Idaho to Review its Budgeting Practices**

Whereas, the economy of the State of Idaho has recently gained a reputation as one of the fastest growing and robust economies of the nation; and,

Whereas, it is the desire of the Republican Party to enhance the prospects of a continuation of this prosperity into the future, and while it is now a fact that the State of Idaho receives “grants” from the Federal government in the form of subsidies to an amount approaching 39% of the State Budget in order to balance the budget; and,

Whereas, presently the government of the United States of America requires a serious yearly deficit in order to facilitate the policies, programs and habits of the “entitlement culture” of the nation;

Therefore, it is recommended by the Republican State Party to acknowledge the terms of the present employee contract of the de facto government, but freeze further hiring with zero based budgets and thereby create an economic environment to be admired, envied and duplicated by other States of the American union. Once the budget of the State of Idaho no longer requires constant infusion by the Federal government, it has the potential to serve as an example of our Sister States.

# Proposed Resolution 2018 – 11

## **Resolution to Maintain Republican Platform Principles and Defend the Voice of the People in the Idaho Legislature**

WHEREAS, Idaho Republicans “believe that our Founding Fathers gave us a government that is a servant of the people not our master”, and having set forth the significance of the people’s voice throughout the Idaho Republican Platform; and

WHEREAS, Republicans “believe the most effective, responsible and responsive government is government closest to the people”; and

WHEREAS, “the Idaho Republican Party believes that government works best when its citizens become actively involved” and “the Party encourages all citizens to engage in healthy debate on all issues that will increase citizen control of government”; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Republicans call for the U S Congress to allow “more time for members to study legislation”, “more opportunity for citizens to testify at hearings”, “debate on legislation before the members”, and expect the same of our state legislators as representatives of the people; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho legislature is predominately composed of Republicans who willingly ran for public office as Republicans because of the Party’s good reputation and clearly established principles; and

WHEREAS, citizens can reasonably assume by common sense that all elected Republicans should predominately guide their performance of duty by the Republican Platform, which is a valid reflection of the Republican people throughout the state who deserve to be honestly represented by their clearly stated platform of principles; and

WHEREAS, legislation supporting principles of the Republican platform like personal self-defense, the right to bear arms, tax reduction, fiscal responsibility, and parental rights has been intentionally opposed and suppressed by “Republican” legislators who have withheld this legislation from healthy, open debate and the customary legislative process; and

WHEREAS, some Idaho Republican legislators have prevented engagement of citizens, denied certain bills a full hearing in committee, withheld Republican-friendly bills entirely from debate or vote, ignored proposed bills even when signed by thousands of Idaho citizens, forced last minute bills through the legislature by suspending rules leaving no time for citizen testimony all of which have intentionally opposed core principles of the Republican platform which specifically encourages “citizens (to) engage in healthy debate on all issues that will increase citizen control of government”;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho State Republican Central Committee, encourages and in fact relies on the Republicans of the Idaho House of Representatives and Senate to support the principles of the Idaho Republican Party Platform established by the Republican people of this state

and also to honor and respect the voice, rightful participation, and supremacy of the people who legitimately have established these party principles.

FINALLY LET IT BE RESOLVED that any Idaho legislator registered to be Republican thereby professing to agree with and be associated with the overall Idaho Republican Platform principles who then intentionally and regularly opposes the basic principles of the platform (1) may be given an authorized letter from the Idaho Republican State Central Committee specifically listing the alleged behaviors to be in opposition to the platform which have occurred while carrying out the duties of office. After having been offered the opportunity to justify such behaviors before a meeting of the Republican State Central Committee, (2) the legislator may be subject to reprimand by a majority vote of the state committee, which will be delivered to the legislator via authorized and certified letter listing the specific behaviors determined to be in opposition to the platform. Thereafter, (3) if opposition behaviors continue, the Republican State Central Committee, again through majority vote of its members, will endeavor to defend and maintain the principles of the Republican Party by withdrawing Republican endorsement of said legislator.

## **Proposed Resolution 2018 – 12**

### **Resolution to condemn the unjust incarceration of Journalist Tommy Robinson by British Authorities**

WHEREAS, Tommy Robinson is a British citizen activist and journalist, best known for chronicling the effects of mass-Muslim immigration to the United Kingdom; and,

WHEREAS, the United Kingdom has seemed to succumb to radical left wing immigration policies implemented to the detriment of its own citizenry, as has also been witnessed in several other European countries; and,

WHEREAS, as Tommy Robinson has reported, the effects of mass Muslim migration include a failure to assimilate to British culture, and an unwillingness to respect British law and custom; and,

WHEREAS, one of the most serious consequences has been the formation of Muslim adult male grooming gangs which are formed to rape young girls. Several members of such a gang have recently been placed on trial; and,

WHEREAS, outside the courthouse of one of these trials, Tommy Robinson was arrested for recording the comings-and-goings with his cell phone; and,

WHEREAS, Tommy Robinson was charged with “breach of the peace” and unjustly sentenced to 13 months in prison; and,

WHEREAS, this arrest was a politically motivated attempt to hide a pattern of systematic child rape by Muslim migrants in Western countries; and,

WHEREAS, Republican Congressman Paul Gosar of Arizona has recently expressed his desire that the United States intervene in the violation of Tommy Robinson's human rights;

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho State Republican Convention petitions Senators Jim Risch and Mike Crapo, together with Representatives Raul Labrador and Mike Simpson, to follow Rep. Gosar's lead and assist in the release of political prisoner Tommy Robinson.*

## Proposed Resolution 2018 – 13

### Resolution in Support of making Municipal Elections Partisan

WHEREAS, in the state of Idaho, elections for Mayor and City Council -- held in odd-numbered years -- are mandated by law to be non-partisan, in that candidates appear on the ballot without a party designation; and,

WHEREAS, this has led to the Republican party of Idaho largely ignoring municipal elections, and failing to officially endorse or fund municipal candidates who happen to be party members; and,

WHEREAS, voter turnout in municipal elections is substantially lower than turnout in even-year partisan elections; and,

WHEREAS, city council offices are legislative in nature, in that they pass policies that are influenced by political ideology; and,

WHEREAS, Idaho law states that no individual may hold two or more elected offices at once, but failed to include municipal offices in the definition, meaning that an individual may be both -- for instance -- a city councilman and a legislator at the same time, a situation which has occurred more than once in Idaho; and,

WHEREAS, this “blindspot” has been exploited by the Democrat party, an unpopular political party in Idaho making up only 16% of the Idaho legislature; and,

WHEREAS, Democrats have recently bragged in an Idaho Statesman story dated November 2, 2017 that they *do in fact* exploit non-partisan races to elect liberal candidates, to-wit:

“As losses for governor and other statewide offices mount, Democrats have intensified their focus on local races, where they believe they can win.

“...City council elections in Idaho are nonpartisan, so voters ostensibly don’t pick candidates based on nationwide platforms. That gives Democrats here an edge they don’t have in most races, said Rep. Mat Erpelding, Idaho’s House minority leader and one of Idaho’s most prominent Democrats.

“In nonpartisan races, when we’re not saddled with the ‘D,’ when we are able to run on our values, we have tremendous success in elections,” he said.” and,

WHEREAS, recent victories in the 2017 election by far-left candidates running in conservative legislative districts demonstrate conclusively that the Democrat party is exploiting the non-partisan loophole, taking advantage of low-turnout elections, and deceiving voters; and

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WHEREAS, indicating a candidate's party affiliation next to their name on the ballot is disclosure, and the Republican Party believes in transparent elections;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Republican Convention believes that municipal elections by their nature are, and should be, partisan affairs; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Republican Convention respectfully requests that the Idaho Legislature amend state code to allow for a partisan system of primaries to be implemented at the municipal level; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all Republican members of the Idaho legislature and the Secretary of State.

**From:** [Cary Driskell](#)  
**To:** [All Employees](#)  
**Cc:** [Erik Lamb](#)  
**Subject:** reminder that use of any public facilities for campaign purposes is strictly prohibited  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 2, 2018 7:45:33 AM

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**City staff:**

This email is a reminder to staff about the prohibition on use of public facilities in support or opposition of political campaigns. Our office will send a similar message at least once a year as a reminder.

The City has a number of adopted Administrative Policies and Procedures, which can be found here (P:\1. General Governance\Policies and Procedures). APP 200.135 sets out the prohibitions on using any public facilities relating to any political activity. This APP is based on RCW 42.17A.555, which states that:

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This language regarding “directly or indirectly” applies very broadly. You are all aware that you cannot send emails related to campaigns, or use City phones or offices related to campaigns. However, violations can be more subtle and arise in normal everyday activity if you are not careful. Examples where people have been found to violate this provision include simply forwarding an email relating to a campaign to another person, or printing an email. When you get an email from someone or a campaign relating to an election issue, I highly recommend responding with the following language:

“You have sent this election-related message to my City computer. It would be a violation of Washington law (RCW 42.17A.555) for me to respond other than as I am. Please do not send any future election-related emails to this account.”

If you would like the sender to have your personal email address, it is acceptable to reply back with the above, but also include that you would like future communications from them sent to your personal emails address, \*\*\*\*\*.com

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**From:** [Cary Driskell](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Cc:** [Mark Calhoun](#); [John Hohman](#); [Erik Lamb](#); [Elisha Heath](#)  
**Subject:** reminder about not using public facilities relating to election issues - PLEASE DO NOT RESPOND VIA EMAIL  
**Date:** Wednesday, January 3, 2018 2:48:40 PM

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Councilmembers,

This is an email I send out occasionally as a reminder about the legal requirements relating to election issues. I am sending it early this year because there is an upcoming bond measure for CVSD. The City can receive mailed materials, which we will put in your cubicle, but please do not respond in any way using public facilities, as outlined below.

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