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1 **RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS**

2 19-AGE-01: CLEAN AIR AND WATER REGULATIONS, RACINE COUNTY, (77 WORDS)

3 WHEREAS, every Wisconsin resident has a right to clean water for both domestic purposes and for
4 recreation;

5 WHEREAS, every Wisconsin resident has a right to breathe clean air free of damaging pollutants;

6 WHEREAS, utilities and other industries are seeking relaxation of clean air and water regulations.

7 THEREFORE, RESOLVED that environmental standards be reexamined by the WI DNR using the best
8 scientific information; and

9 FURTHER RESOLVED, that the strongest air and water standards be enacted, maintained and
10 strengthened.

11 19-AGE-02 SUPPORT FOR THE GREEN NEW DEAL LEGISLATION, WALWORTH COUNTY, 12 (85 WORDS)

13 WHEREAS: According to 2018 surveys by Yale and Virginia Universities, 69% of Americans are very
14 worried about climate change;

15 WHEREAS: The resolution presented in Congress on February 7, 2019, from Rep. Ocasio-Cortez and
16 Sen. Markey calls for a 10-year national mobilization that would set goals for sweeping changes to
17 American society;

18 WHEREAS: We understand these lofty goals are a starting point for comprehensive societal change in
19 this country.

20 THEREFORE, RESOLVED, We recommend that Democrats support this proposal to make our policies
21 for the future clear.

22 **RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING JUSTICE, HUMANS CONCERNS, AND DEMOCRACY**

23 19-JHD-01: PARTY ENDORSEMENTS OF CANDIDATES FOR PUBLIC, ELECTED OFFICE, 24 RACINE AND WAUKESHA COUNTIES, (79 WORDS)

25 WHEREAS, candidates seeking public, elected office are representatives of the Democratic Party of
26 Wisconsin, its sub-units and its members;

27 WHEREAS, the reputation of the DPW, its sub-units, and its members is impacted by the behavior of its
28 public, elected officials;

29 WHEREAS, outside organizations are increasingly influencing elections by publicly endorsing
30 candidates seeking public, elected office.

31 THEREFORE, RESOLVED that the DPW, its sub-units, and its members be allowed to unilaterally
32 endorse, without Administrative Committee approval, candidates seeking public, elected office.

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1 19-JHD-02: RESCIND WISCONSIN'S CALL FOR AN ARTICLE V CONSTITUTIONAL
2 CONVENTION [STATUTE 13.176], KENOSHA COUNTY, (74 WORDS)

3 WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States has been amended 27 times to address specific
4 concerns of American citizens;
5 WHEREAS, current calls for an Article V Constitutional Convention by the various states deal with a
6 multitude of citizen concerns;
7 WHEREAS, an Article V process is fraught with uncertainties;
8 WHEREAS, the citizens of Wisconsin have not been consulted nor informed regarding this request.
9 THEREFORE, RESOLVED, that the legislature rescind its call for a Constitutional Convention.

10 19-JHD-03: VOTER REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR 18 YEAR OLD WISCONSINITES.
11 WAUKESHA COUNTY, (96 WORDS)

12 WHEREAS, there are large numbers of 18 year old Wisconsinites who are not registered to vote;
13 WHEREAS, Wisconsin high school students are required to meet State mandated graduation
14 requirements guided to encourage citizenship participation;
15 WHEREAS, Wisconsinites can register to vote using in person or web based methods,
16 WHEREAS, Registered voters are more likely to participate in the voting process;
17 WHEREAS, Coordination with local clerks, school officials and state agencies can expedite completion
18 of voter registrations.
19 THEREFORE, RESOLVED, the DPW resolves that all Wisconsin 18 year olds are automatically
20 registered to vote, unless they opt out.

21 19-JHD-04: EXPAND THE VOTE TO 16 AND 17 YEAR OLDS, WAUKESHA COUNTY, (75
22 WORDS)

23 WHEREAS, the Democratic Party has always promoted and protected the right to vote;
24 WHEREAS, Wisconsin young people are informed and responsible;
25 WHEREAS, Wisconsin's 18,19, 20, and 21 year olds have been voting in very low numbers because
26 they have not developed the habit of voting.
27 THEREFORE, RESOLVED, the DPW urges the legislature to submit a constitutional amendment to the
28 voters for the purpose of including 16 and 17 year olds as eligible to vote.

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1 19-JHD-05: GRADUATED GROSS INCOME TAX ON ALL FORMS OF INCOME, WAUKESHA
2 COUNTY, (96 WORDS)

3 WHEREAS, the Internal Revenue Code is a corrupting influence in our country by its complexity,
4 incentive to hide income or receive special treatment, and skewing of commercial activities;
5 WHEREAS, a graduated gross income tax on all forms of income including unearned income without
6 deductions or credits will substantially correct this corrupting influence.
7 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That Titles A and B of Chapter 26, U.S.C. be repealed and a new
8 Title A of said Chapter 26 be enacted incorporating a graduated gross income tax on all forms of income
9 including unearned income without deductions or credits.

10 19-JHD-06: ENACT A GENERAL DEFINITION OF THE WORD "PERSON", WAUKESHA
11 COUNTY, (95 WORDS)

12 WHEREAS, Citizens United v. F.E.C. endorsed by *dicta* an exception to its ruling for the protection of
13 shareholders;
14 WHEREAS, Janus V. AFSCME held specifically that a union may be treated differently than
15 individuals for purposes of free speech.
16 THEREFORE, RESOLVED, that the U.S.C. be amended to include the following definition: Whenever
17 no definition of person is given in a specific statute, the word "person" shall include natural persons,
18 corporations, partnerships, and other collections of individuals assigned rights by law but shall exclude
19 for-profit corporations and unions for purposes of political speech and electioneering.

20 **RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING PARTY GOVERNANCE**

21 19-PG-01: LIVING WAGE FOR INTERNS AND FELLOWS, ROCK COUNTY, (63 WORDS)

22 WHEREAS, internships and fellowships are typically unpaid positions
23 WHEREAS, paid positions attract the best candidates;
24 WHEREAS, to be paid a living wage reduces poverty levels, reduces income inequality, decreases
25 turnover and decreases gender and race-based inequality;
26 WHEREAS, the Democratic Party supports fair pay and labor practices.
27 THEREFORE, RESOLVED, DPW should provide living wage compensation for all DPW hired
28 positions, including internships and fellowships.