



PLATFORM 2020

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FEDERAL

1. Public Acknowledgment of God - We affirm that the public acknowledgment of God is undeniable in our history and vital to our prosperity and strength as a nation. We affirm the constitutionality of public symbols of faith such as "under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance, and "In God We Trust," our national motto, and public displays of the Ten Commandments.

2. Universal Truths - We believe in the existence of universal truths and absolute morality and reject the illogical fallacy of moral relativism pervasive in our society today.

3. Religious Liberty - We oppose any criminal penalties or civil liabilities being brought against those persons, businesses, or organizations who act out of sincere faith, conviction, or belief in traditional values at the federal, state, or local level.

4. Sovereignty of the Church - We support and acknowledge that the Church is a God-ordained institution with a sphere of authority separate from that of civil government, and thus the Church is not to be regulated, controlled, or taxed by any level of civil government.

5. Role of Government - We hold that the only just and proper role of government is in the protection of man's God-given rights, which are Life, Liberty, Property and the Pursuit of Happiness.

6. Abolish Federal Departments - We encourage abolishment of any and all federal agencies not based on an enumerated power granted by the U.S. Constitution such as the Department of Education.

7. Abolish the Federal Reserve - We support the abolition of the Federal Reserve System. As long as it exists, we support full, comprehensive, and regular audits of the Federal Reserve System.

8. Baseline Budgeting - We support an elimination of baseline budgeting and adoption of zero-based budgeting for all federal departments and agencies.

9. Balanced Budget - We support a balanced federal budget, except during wartime, defined as a period following a congressional declaration of war. We further support the State of Texas leading the effort to utilize the Constitutional Amendment process, pursuant to Article V of the U.S. Constitution, to require a balanced federal budget.

10. Debt Ceiling Increases - We oppose raising the debt ceiling any further.

11. Entitlement Reform - We support reform to entitlement programs that allows young people to opt out while preserving the benefits promised to retired Americans.

12. Government Surveillance - We oppose all forms of warrantless government surveillance of United States citizens and businesses.

13. Executive Orders - We oppose the unconstitutional abuse of executive orders and support repeal of all executive orders that violate the U.S. Constitution and the separation of powers.

14. Second Amendment - We believe that the Second Amendment to the U.S. Constitution is a natural, inherent, and fundamental right granted to individuals and we oppose any efforts to limit that right for any law-abiding citizen.

15. Tenth Amendment - We oppose federal involvement in issues that should be left to the states. We believe that non-enumerated governmental authority is to be left to the states or to the people, as required by the 10th Amendment.

16. Fourteenth Amendment - We support amending the 14th Amendment to end birthright citizenship and require that at least one parent be a citizen of the United States.

17. Sixteenth Amendment - We support abolishing the Internal Revenue Service & the 16th Amendment, as well as overhauling our current tax system.

18. Restoring State Sovereignty - We support nullification to enable the States to regain the balance of powers reserved to them by the U.S. Constitution.

19. Habeas Corpus - We oppose any bill or provision that would suspend habeas corpus for American citizens, except as addressed by the U.S. Constitution.

20. English as Official Language - We support legislation to make English the official language of United States and Texas.

21. Refugee Resettlement - We support nullification to enable the states to refuse the resettlement of refugees by the federal government.

22. Presidential Appointment of "Czars" - We oppose the President appointing "czars." These officials must be approved by the U.S. Senate.

23. Eliminate Congressional Superiority - Congress shall pass no law affecting Americans that does not equally apply to themselves and all other federal employees. All existing laws and precedents that do not meet this criterion shall be declared null and void.

24. Term-Limits for Federal Offices - We call for term-limits for all federal elected and appointed officials, including judges.

25. Election Integrity – All election related software must be uncompiled, and shall have its source code open for inspection, and must be certified pre- and post-election. All voting machines and source code shall be available for random inspections.

26. Judicial Restraint - Judges are to judiciously interpret and apply the law according to the U.S. Constitution as written, not make law.

27. Bathroom Privacy – We support legislation that maintains privacy, safety and traditional designations for public bathrooms.

28. Welfare Programs - We support the abolition of all federal welfare programs, as they are not an appropriate role of the federal government.

29. Unfunded Mandates - We oppose all unfunded mandates to state and local governments.

30. Mandated Paid Leave – We oppose any Federal or State mandates requiring paid leave benefits.

31. Government Bailouts - We oppose all bailouts. In a free market economy, no entity is “too big to fail.”

32. Burdensome Regulations - We urge Congress to eliminate regulations that burden the economy and to support market-based solutions.

33. Elective Gender Related Surgery - We oppose the use of tax funds for any type of gender dysphoria treatments or sex change operations and/or treatments.

34. Equal Treatment Under the Law - We call on Federal and State prosecutors to prosecute public officials to the same degree as private individuals.

35. Domestic Drilling - We support drastically reducing or eliminating restrictions on domestic drilling.

36. Internet Freedom - We oppose all efforts to further regulate the Internet in the United States or internationally, or to impose taxation upon internet goods and services. We oppose Net Neutrality.

37. Public Employee Unions - We oppose public employee unions and associations. While they are in existence, we support legislation prohibiting public sector unions and associations from endorsing or supporting candidates or engaging in tax funded lobbying. We oppose mandatory union membership, mandatory dues collections from paychecks and card check.

38. Federal Court in Brazos County - We support legislation establishing a Federal court in Brazos County, Texas.

STATE

39. Property Tax Relief – We support tax reform to reduce the property tax burden on property owners

40. No New Taxes - We oppose any new statewide taxes, including a personal income tax, property tax,

real estate transaction tax, or any further tax increases. We support a repeal of the Margin Tax (Franchise Tax).

41. Tax and Expenditure Limit - We support a tax and expenditure limit on the State budget so that any budgetary increases shall be no more than the percentage growth of population plus inflation.

42. Tolls on Freeways - We oppose the conversion of freeway lanes into toll lanes and oppose gas tax revenues from being used to build, subsidize, or maintain toll roads.

43. Tax Support for Sports Facilities – We oppose the use of tax funds for the building of stadiums for professional or semi-professional sports teams.

44. Legislator Retirement Pay - We believe that legislators should not have the authority to increase their own retirement plan. Any increase approved by legislators shall not take effect until the successor of that legislator takes office.

45. Legislative Accountability - All votes on legislation cast in the Texas Legislature should be recorded votes.

46. Term Limits - We support term limits for the House of Representatives, Senate, statewide elected officials, district court judges, and all appellate judges.

47. Speaker of the House -

a) Republicans in the Texas House shall select a conservative speaker nominee by secret ballot in a binding caucus without Democrat influence and shall vote for that member.

b) Committee chairs must be chosen by that committee’s members rather than by the Speaker of the Texas House.

48. Constitutional Carry - We support the right of law-abiding citizens to carry firearms without a license, either concealed or openly, known as “Constitutional Carry.”

49. Judicial Reform - We oppose any effort to diminish the right of trial by jury. We believe the appellate judiciary should endeavor to give substantial deference to jury decisions.

50. Vote Fraud – We support legislation making vote fraud a felony in Texas to help ensure fair elections.

51. Criminal Justice – We support the abolishment of civil asset forfeiture to ensure private property only be forfeited upon criminal conviction.

52. Ban the Box – We oppose any effort to hide criminal conviction history from employers, such as “Ban the Box” legislation.

53. Historical Sites and Monuments: Historical sites and monuments in Texas should be preserved and maintained so that individuals can understand and judge the past in historical context.

54. Radical Islamic Organizations - We call on governmental agencies and elected officials to avoid and suspend all activities with all radical Islamic

organizations, such as the Council on American Islamic Relations (CAIR).

LOCAL

55. Local Debt - We urge local tax authorities to establish limits on total debt.

56. Taxes - We oppose tax increases by local governments and support tax rates being as low as possible.

57. Corporate Welfare - We oppose local government handouts to businesses and other private entities in the name of economic development.

58. Bond Transparency - Costs and details of bond proposals shall be clear in the ballot language of bond elections.

59. Development Regulations - We oppose unnecessary development regulations that are burdensome to businesses, including excessive enforcement of building codes, costly permitting, bureaucratic processes, and unreasonably restrictive zoning. We oppose municipal regulations outside the municipal boundaries.

60. Electricity Deregulation - We support deregulation of municipally owned electric utilities. We believe that citizens should be able to purchase electricity on the open market.

61. Special Taxing Districts - We support restricting the authority of special taxing districts, such as Municipal Utility Districts and Municipal Management Districts, so that they are accountable to the people they serve and may not incur bond debt without a vote of their residents.

FOREIGN POLICY

62. Strong National Defense - We support building and maintaining a national defense, including cyber security, during times of war and peace that is powerful enough to defend our national interests and safety against any enemy on multiple fronts.

63. Declaring War - We believe that a declaration of war is necessary for the United States to enter into war and urge Congress to return this Constitutional principle to practice in the future.

64. Foreign Aid - We oppose all foreign aid, except when national defense or disaster may require it.

65. United Nations - We support the withdrawal of the United States from the U.N. and the removal of U.N. headquarters from U.S. soil. No foreign agency or country should have authority over the United States, its citizens or armed forces.

66. Support of Israel - We call on the Republican Party to support mutual defense with the nation of Israel, considering Israel's position as a strong ally of the United States. We believe that per the Jerusalem Embassy Act of 1995, "Jerusalem should be recognized as the capital of the State of Israel and the United States Embassy in Israel should be established in Jerusalem."

67. International Organizations - We support United States' withdrawal of financial support from the International Monetary Fund, the World Trade Organization and the World Bank and the World Health Organization.

68. Free Trade - We support free and responsible trade as a necessary component of American capitalism and of the United States' influence in the world.

69. Mexico and Central America - We support policies which help the regions of Mexico and Central America strengthen their Constitutions. We support aggressive military and law enforcement cooperation to address the corruption, drug cartels, and human trafficking.

IMMIGRATION

70. Streamlining Immigration - We support legal immigration and streamlining the process, including eliminating chain migration and Visa lottery.

71. Enforcement of Existing Laws - We oppose illegal immigration and demand the enforcement of existing state and federal laws regarding border security, national security, immigration, and employment.

72. Amnesty - We oppose blanket and/or incremental amnesty. We support efforts to increase and enhance border security, including the arrest and immediate deportation of those who enter the U.S. illegally.

73. Taxes & Government Assistance - We believe all U.S. residents should be subject to tax law regardless of status; we do not believe illegal immigrants should receive government assistance, including in-state tuition.

74. Employer Enforcement - We support legislation requiring the use of E-Verify.

EDUCATION

75. School Safety - To protect students and staff, we support strengthening school security measures, including voluntary rigorous firearms training for school personnel.

76. Local Control - We support returning the control of public schools to the local level.

77. Parental Rights in Education - We support parental rights in education via private, parochial, and homeschools, free from government control, including extracurricular activities.

78. School Finance - The school finance system in Texas is in need of serious reform and should prioritize classroom instruction. We support a simple, fair, and efficient method for financing our public school system.

79. Back to Basics - Primary & secondary education should include extensive content in history, math, reading, writing, science & English, with added emphasis on computer literacy, basic logic and programming skills, rules of reasoning and argument, and the basis of American civil society. Other than basic biology, sexuality should not be part of the curriculum in public schools.

80. Higher Education Reform - We support merit-based admissions, post-tenure review, and ending tuition deregulation.

81. Vocational Education - Recognizing that not every student will choose to go to college, we support increasing technical and vocational education in public high schools and community colleges.

82. School Prayer - We support the rights of students to pray in school and urge school personnel to inform students of their First Amendment rights to engage in religious speech, individually or in groups, on school property.

83. Equal Access to State Grants - We believe that all Texas students, whether graduating from public, private or home schools, should have equal access to all State supported grants, scholarships, and loans.

84. Radical Islamic Charter Schools - We oppose the public funding of charter schools with ties to radical Islamic groups, both foreign and domestic.

85. American Identity, Patriotism, and Loyalty - We favor strengthening our common American identity and loyalty, which includes the contribution and assimilation of different racial and ethnic groups. Students should pledge allegiance to the US and Texas flags daily to instill patriotism.

FAMILY

86. Right to Life - We believe in the sanctity of human life, and that all life from conception to natural death is a natural, inherent right granted by God that cannot be infringed upon by government. We believe that abortion, genocide, euthanasia and assisted suicide are infringements upon the right to life as stated in the preamble to the U.S. Constitution. Therefore, we believe human abortion is murder and that human abortion should be abolished in Texas.

87. Taxpayer Funding for Abortion - We oppose all taxpayer funding for abortion and abortion providers.

88. Judicial Bypass - We oppose judicial permission for minors to receive abortions without parental consent.

89. Pro-Life Legislation - We urge the Texas Legislature to repeal section 19.06 of the Texas Penal Code, which sanctions the murder of unborn children, and to repeal section 166.046 of the Texas Health and Safety Code, which enables the withdrawal or withholding of life-sustaining treatment without the patient's or patient's family's consent.

HEALTHCARE

90. Repeal Obamacare - We support the repeal of Obamacare and oppose replacing it with any new government-run healthcare system.

91. Medicaid - We support block granting federal Medicaid funds to the States, requiring a nominal co-pay for Medicaid patients, and oppose Medicaid expansion in Texas.

92. Reduce Healthcare Costs - We support free market reductions in healthcare and health insurance costs by increasing healthcare competition, reducing government regulations, and the ability to purchase insurance across State lines.

93. Opioid Epidemic - We support efforts to combat opioid addiction without infringing upon legitimate medical needs.

PARTY IMPROVEMENT

94. Closed Primaries - We call on the Republican Party of Texas (RPT) to support closed primaries.

95. Jury Nullification - We support the State of Texas passing legislation to require that juries be notified of their right to nullify unconstitutional acts.

96. Electoral College - We oppose the National Popular Vote (NPV) or any attempt to circumvent the Constitution. We remain committed to the Electoral College and the ideals of a republican form of government.

97. Jury Nullification - We support the State of Texas passing legislation to require that juries be notified of their right to nullify unconstitutional acts.

98. Hatch Act - We support the adoption of a state level version of the original Hatch Act to regulate Texas State Officials.

99. Social Security - We oppose taxation of Social Security Benefits.

Republican Party of Brazos County's County Convention Resolutions

1. **Contact Tracing:** Be it resolved, that something as major and controversial as mandating Contact Tracing of ALL citizens should be voted on by registered voters rather than be enforced like martial law.
2. **Country of Origin Labeling:** Be it resolved that we urge the Federal Government to reinstate the Country of Origin labeling – not only for meat, but for all products.
3. **High-Speed Rail:** Be it resolved we urge the Texas Legislature to oppose any and all support of the proposed High-Speed Rail, whether financial or technical.
4. **Mandated Funding:** Be it resolved, as the Texas Legislature dictates County & city obligations through legislation, the State shall provide funding to the Counties & Cities to implement such mandates. In summary, "Texas will no longer issue unfunded mandates to Counties & Cities."
5. **Platform Consolidation:** Be it resolved, we urge that the Republican Party of Texas attempt to minimize and consolidate the Texas Republican Platform in order that it is an overview of important issues rather than repetitive verbiage. A more concise platform would be better understood and read than the current elongated one.
6. **Office Holder and County Party Officials Impartiality:** Be it resolved that we urge the Texas Legislature to prohibit office holders and county party officials from endorsing candidates in primary elections.
7. **Child Protection and Biological Gender Definition:** Be it resolved, that the Texas Legislature should pass legislation stating that no medical practitioner may, for the purpose of attempting to affirm a minor's perception of his or her sex, if that perception is inconsistent with his or her biological sex, engage in the following practices with respect to the minor: intervene in any way to prevent natural progression of puberty, administer opposite sex hormones or perform any surgery in an attempt to change the gender of the minor, with or without the permission of the minor's parents or guardian. Further, that no part of the school curriculum or textbooks (i.e., materials) should encourage students to change their biological sex but should encourage them to seek psychological counseling.
8. **Paper Ballot Backups:** Whereas multiple examples of improper vote counts and certifications have occurred in Texas since the introduction of electronic voting machines, and Whereas the Texas Constitution calls for numbered paper ballots, Let it be resolved that all Texas voting jurisdictions shall have verifiable paper ballot backups. Let it also be resolved that the Legislature provide severe penalties for anyone, including elected and appointed officials, who violate voting laws and statutes. Let it also be resolved that the Texas Secretary of State shall enforce all laws and statutes regarding voting without exception.

9. **County Chair Impartiality:** Be it resolved that we urge the Republican Party of Texas to adopt a rule which prohibits County Chairs from formally endorsing and or formally working for any candidate(s) in a contested Republican primary. Therefore, if the Chair of the Party chooses to formally and publicly endorse a candidate in a contested Republican primary, then the Chair shall forfeit their position.
10. **Resolution Against Bail Reform:** We encourage the Texas legislature to never pass a bill that would eliminate private party bail.
11. **Carry in 51% Bars and at Festivals:** Be it resolved, Texas should not ban carry of handguns at 51% posted establishments such as bars and festivals, provided the carrier is not intoxicated.
12. **Increased Representation:** Be it resolved that we urge the Texas Legislature to enact legislation that would increase the number of representatives in the Texas State House of Representatives and State Senate.
13. **Mental Health Assessments / Behavioral Assessments of Minor Children Under the guise of “school safety”:** Healthcare in Public Schools: We support parents’ informed-consent rights to choose, without penalty, which medications and mental health assessments are administered to their minor children.
14. **Level Playing Field:** Be it resolved that we urge the Texas Legislature to oppose all efforts to allow transgender athletes to compete in competitive athletic events against athletes who are the opposite gender of the transgender athletes’ biological sex/gender.
15. **Random Ballot Placement:** Be it resolved that candidates should appear in random order on the electronic ballot for each voter and that all candidates for the same position shall appear on the same page or screen.
16. **TABC Reform:** Be it resolved that we urge the Texas Legislature to enact legislation simplifying laws regarding the manufacture and sale of alcohol laws.
17. **National Debt:** Be it resolved that we urge the U. S. Congress to support efforts to reduce the National debt by implementing a 10% across-the-board cut to all Federal agencies and programs, including entitlements.
18. **CONTINUING PLATFORM RESOLUTION:** WHEREAS, the current Republican Platform was affirmed by a majority of the delegates to the Republican Party of Texas Convention on June 14-16, 2018 in San Antonio, Texas; WHEREAS, that platform contains 331 planks carefully worded to reflect the majority opinion of the delegates; WHEREAS, the length of time that has been invested in the current platform is significant and valuable; BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED THAT the platform committee of the Republican Party of Texas at their state convention in Houston, Texas in July be required to start with the platform of the preceding convention and treat each plank individually. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the committee may not diminish the platform without a plank-by-plank vote.

19. **State Republican Chair Election:** Be it resolved that we urge the State Republican Party Chair election to coincide with the year of the Texas Governor's election.
20. **Resolution Against Automated Pre-Trial Risk Assessment Tools:** The Republican Party of Texas hereby rejects any attempts, legislative or otherwise, to implement or utilize any and all forms of an automated pre-trial risk assessment tool including "PRAISTX" and demands that pre-trial bail decisions be left to the discretion of elected human judges and magistrates.
21. **Unbiased Education:** Whereas families come from different backgrounds and political affiliations, Be it resolved that teachers at all levels of education should be prohibited from advancing their own political views in the classroom.
22. **Resolution to hold Republican elected leaders accountable to Pro-Life Values:** The Republican Party of Brazos County recommends the Rules Committees of the State Convention adopt into the 2020 Rules these policies holding Republican elected officials accountable to our Pro-Life values, including:
 - A. that the Republican Party of Texas, SREC members, and elected members of the Republican Party of Texas, including the executive branch, should not provide support in any form, including but not limited to contributions, endorsements, fundraising, or advertising to candidates who directly act in opposition to the Right-To-Life Planks and Pro-Life Principles of the Platform, and
 - B. that when no legislation is passed during a regular legislative session that directly bans abortions, the Chair, SREC members, and other leadership of the Republican Party of Texas shall publicly request the Governor of the State of Texas call a special session, reconvening the Texas Legislature in order to directly ban abortions.
23. **Law Enforcement Reform:** Be it resolved that we urge the Federal and Texas Legislatures to enact legislation that would require an independent outside investigation of all excessive force complaints or deaths in custody, enact legislation that would mandate bodycams, and end qualified immunity. Be it resolved that we urge the Texas Legislature to enact legislation that would mandate bodycams. Be it resolved that we urge the Texas Legislature to enact legislation that would end qualified immunity and require individual officer insurance.
24. **4th Amendment Protections:** Be it resolved that we urge the Texas and Federal Legislatures to enact legislation that would prohibit warrantless searches. Be it resolved that we urge the US Congress to enact legislation that would end Border Patrol checkpoints that are not located at the border.
25. **Support For Israel:** Be it resolved that we give unreserved support for President Trump's executive order protecting Jewish students and urging all education officials across our nation to provide adequate protection as proscribed in the executive order against all forms of discrimination in the future so that every student may enjoy religious freedom in order to help keep America great; and Be It Further Resolved that we give unreserved support for House Bill 89, the Anti-BDS (Boycott, Divestments, and Sanctions) bill.
26. **Resolution for Pro-Life Texas Abolition Strategy Legislation:** Therefore be it resolved that the Platform and the Legislative Priorities Committees adopt as both a Plank and Legislative

Priority for the 87th Legislative Session a call for the Texas Legislature to pass the Texas Abolition Strategy (TAS) comprised of PreNDA, Heartbeat Bill, and Abolition Bill, to comprehensively abolish discriminatory and the remaining late-term abortions, elective abortions after the preborn child's heartbeat is detectable, and every remaining elective abortion in Texas.

27. **Corporate Accountability:** We urge the Texas Legislature and US Congress to enact legislation that would remove the immunity, also known as the corporate veil, for officers of companies who break the law or create policies and procedures that cause employees to break the law.
28. **Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) Composition and Attendance Requirements:** The Texas Legislature should pass legislation that supports parental authority regarding sex ed and prohibits abortion providers and affiliates from providing any curriculum in schools. Additionally, Texas Education Code 28.004 requires each school district to establish a local school health advisory council [SHAC] and that each school district must consider the recommendations of the local school health advisory council before changing the district's health education curriculum or instructions. Texas code 28.004 should be amended to require that the membership of the SHACS should be composed of at least fifty percent of parents of students within the district, and, in addition, that SHACs be subject to the open meetings act.
29. **Protect Life Resolution:** Therefore, Be It Resolved, that we enact laws protecting innocent human life including protecting the unborn from abortion, fetal tissue experimentation, and embryonic research, and society from euthanasia, cloning, population control and human genetic engineering.
30. **Support Reintegrative and Sexual Orientation Change Efforts (SOCE) Therapy:** Therefore Be It Resolved that licensed therapists, psychologists and counselors in the state of Texas cannot be forbidden or penalized by the licensing board for practicing Reintegrative Therapy or SOCE in supporting clients of any age with dysphoria and sexual orientation change efforts.
31. **Telemarketing Reform:** We urge the U.S. Congress to enact legislation that would require authentication of the source of telemarketing calls and would make telemarketing opt-in instead of opt-out, and remove the exception for charitable or organizations and political organizations in regards to telemarketing.
32. **Parental Notification of Health Information:** Be it resolved that that no school, public or private, shall be allowed to withhold from a parent or legal guardian information that is relevant to the physical or mental health of the minor, including information related to a minor's perception that his or her gender or sex is inconsistent with his or her biological sex.
33. **University Police Jurisdiction:** Limit Jurisdiction of University Police Departments to the related university campus and students or when rendering mutual aid to adjacent jurisdictions.
34. **Data and Monitoring Protections:** Be It Resolved that Texas should enact laws limiting the ways in which internet providers, schools, government entities and others may access the electronic communications or documents of all Texans.

35. **Resolution On Corporate Subsidies:** Be it resolved that we encourage government to divest its ownership of all businesses that should be run by the private sector and allow the free market to prevail; this includes all businesses run by school boards and Texas Educational Service Centers.
36. **Tax Funds:** We oppose all bailouts of and subsidies to domestic and foreign government entities, states, and all businesses, public and private. Further, we urge the Texas Legislature to abolish the Texas Enterprise Fund, the Events Trust Fund program, and the Moving Image Industry Incentive Program and we oppose the diversion of property taxes to build, subsidize, and/or guarantee the loans of toll projects, which is primarily being done through transportation reinvestment zones, or the diversion of property taxes to support any private businesses.
37. **Keep Property Taxes local:** The State needs to properly fund the Texas state highway system to prevent the use of local property taxes being diverted to state roads.
38. **Plank Regarding Texans Registering on Bills:** Be it resolved, the Texas House and Senate should offer alternative methods of registering positions and testimony on bills other than appearing in person in the Capitol in Austin.
39. **Resolution to Repeal the Anti-Life Ten-Day Rule:** Therefore, be it resolved that the Legislative Priorities Committee of the State Convention re-adopt as a Legislative Priority for the 87th Legislative Session the Pro-Life priority, and include therein a call for the Texas Legislature to repeal the unethical, unconstitutional, unprecedented, and anti-life Ten-Day Rule, and replace it with a truly Life-affirming law that requires that physicians adhere to a patient or surrogate's medical decision about Life-Sustaining Treatment and which provides for physicians who disagree with the patient's decision to transfer the patient to another physician or facility that will honor the decision to continue Life-Sustaining Treatment, guaranteeing Due Process and the Right to Life for vulnerable Texas patients.