

Remanding Authority Over Abortion to the States

WHEREAS We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness;

WHEREAS The Republican Party of Texas Platform states: “We believe in... [t]he sanctity of human life, created in the image of God, which should be protected from fertilization to natural death” (PRINCIPLES, page 3); and it later states: “All innocent human life must be respected and safeguarded from fertilization to natural death; therefore, the unborn, the aged, and the physically or mentally challenged have a fundamental individual right to life, which cannot be infringed” (PROTECTING INNOCENT HUMAN LIFE, page 14);

WHEREAS murder is considered a crime under Texas Penal Code sections 19.02 and 19.03;

WHEREAS the 10th Amendment states that “[t]he powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.”

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas urges the congressional delegation from Texas to take immediate action, under the authority extended to them in Article III of the Constitution of the United States, to put forth legislation remanding all authority over abortion to the individual States and removing all standing on the issue of abortion from the federal judiciary.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to the _____ Senatorial/County Convention Resolutions Committee from Precinct # _____ of the _____ County Republican Party, with the recommendation that it be passed and sent to the State Convention Platform Committee of the Republican Party of Texas.

Adopted this ____ day of March, 2016, at the Precinct Convention of Precinct # _____ of the _____ Party of Texas.