

Resolution
of the
Lake County Montana Republican Central Committee

Whereas, free and fair elections untainted by fraud of any kind are absolutely necessary to the establishment and maintenance of our Republic,

Whereas, the principle that each citizen is entitled to have his voice heard via a vote was and is an essential component of our Republic,

Whereas, the Constitution of these United States and the State of Montana guarantee the right of free and fair elections to our citizens,

Whereas, the Constitution of these United States recognizes that the administration of elections is the responsibility of each state Legislature,

Whereas, significant and growing evidence of fraud concerning the 2020 Presidential election has been uncovered,

Whereas, the sanctity of our election system is being called into question, especially, but not limited to internet-based fraud and intrusion into our various voting machines,

Whereas, the faith of citizens in the security of our elections is being undermined by a lack of progress on various election integrity issues,

Whereas, we as citizens of the United States and Montana recognize the need to rectify the fraud-based deficiencies of our current election systems,

NOW therefore, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. We call upon and direct the Governor to call, and Montana Legislature to convene, an immediate special session to address all election issues,
2. We call upon and direct the Montana Legislature to enact legislation that extends the time for retaining the election records in all forms from the 2020 election for a period of five years from the date of said election,
3. We call upon and direct the Montana Legislature to enact legislation that clarifies “election records” to include all paper and electronic data including but not limited to ballots, ballot images, forensic images of hard drives and memory devices, and videos of election proceedings.
4. We call upon and direct the Montana Legislature to enact legislation that makes it a crime to dispose of any election records as defined in paragraph 3 above. A person

Comment [BC1]: This change tracks what is in section 2 above.

convicted of said crime shall be punished by mandatory incarceration in the Montana Department of Corrections penal institute for a period of 5 years, and a fine of \$100,000.

5. We call upon and direct the Montana Legislature to enact legislation that requires the use of paper ballots and hand counts until such time as additional non-internet based counting systems are developed and proven to be secure.
6. We call upon and direct the Montana Legislature to enact legislation that prohibits the use of any device for counting votes that is in any manner (hardware or software) capable of connecting to the internet.
7. We call upon and direct the Montana Legislature to enact legislation that requires the public examination of voting machines and specifically prohibits the use of proprietary equipment, processes, or means that in any way hinder public examination.
8. We call upon and direct that Montana Legislature to amend existing election laws to free the Montana Secretary of State from any obligation to comply with Federal Election Assistance Commission requirements as outlined in the Help America Vote Act.
9. We call upon and direct that Montana Legislature to amend existing election laws to require that any equipment used to facilitate elections comply with the following requirements:
 - a. Equipment must have open architecture hardware
 - b. Equipment must have open-source software
 - c. Equipment must have no hardware or software network communication capability
 - d. Equipment shall be open to inspection without cost to Montanans.
 - e. A chain of custody of security of ballots and electronic election data (as defined in paragraph 3 above) shall be maintained until the date for destruction of the same is authorized by law.
10. We call upon and direct the Montana Legislature to enact legislation that requires in-person voting with limited exceptions.
- ~~10,11.~~ We call upon and direct the Legislature to enact legislation that requires the use of a form of identification that includes a photograph of the bearer issued by the State of Montana for in-person voting.
12. We call upon and direct the Legislature to enact legislation so that in order to obtain a Montana issued driver's license or state issued ID, applicants shall sign a renunciation of their voter registration in their previous state of residence. The MVD shall transmit the renunciation to the applicant's former state of residence and request from that state confirmation that the applicant's voter registration in the former state has been terminated.
- ~~11,13.~~ 13. We call upon and direct the Montana Legislature to enact legislation that requires the complete re-registration of each citizen using proof of citizenship of the United States and residency of Montana.

Comment [BC2]: Alternate language.

~~12,14.~~ We call upon and direct the Montana Legislature to enact legislation that requires each county election administrator to publish vote totals for each precinct and ward.

15. We call upon and direct the Montana Legislature to enact legislation granting all employees in the state of Montana adequate non-paid time to vote in each election.

16. We call upon and direct the Montana Legislature to enact legislation that requires military ballots to be returned on the actual ballot printed and sent.

~~13,17.~~ We call upon the Governor to abstain from the use of the veto and to sign each election integrity bill passed by the Montana Legislature.

Comment [MA3]: Possible alternative wording:
Businesses must allow unpaid time during regular work hours for employees to vote

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2022 as evidenced by the undersigned:

Chairman

FINAL

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All earlier versions are deemed null and void.