Platform of the Wyoming Republican Party

WE believe there are Timeless Truths that will always inform and direct our party and our country regardless of current events and circumstances, changing strategies, goals, and leadership. These Truths, put into action, maintain, protect, and defend our unalienable rights to Life, Liberty, Property and the Pursuit of Happiness.

Life

1. All individuals are endowed by their Creator from the moment of conception to the moment of natural death with the rights to Life, Liberty, Property, and the Pursuit of Happiness. The only purpose of government is to protect these rights for all.

Equality

2. Every citizen is equal before, equally protected by, and equally subject to, the law.

Second Amendment

3. The right of individuals to keep and bear Arms and ammunition shall not be infringed, restricted, or denied. Individuals must never be prevented from defending life, liberty, or property.

Private Property Rights

- 4. The pursuit by an-individuals to rightfully acquire, keep and enjoy his their own property is foundational. Every Allindividuals haves the right to develop his their own potential, to use and enjoy his their own property, tangible or intellectual, and pursue his their own interests, free from restrictions of arbitrary force. Individuals are always presumed to be the best stewards of their property.
- 5. The Wyoming Republican Party supports the protection of private property from the use of eminent domain, civil asset forfeiture, amortization or inverse condemnation.

Religious Freedom

6. The freedom to practice one's faith is a God given fundamental natural right, secured by both the Constitution of the United States and the Wyoming Constitution and shall never be infringed. The First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution and Article 1, Section 18 of the Wyoming Constitution does not permit require the expulsion of religion from public life. We must keep in mind the Judeo-Christian principles of the Founding Fathers when they

wrote it; the practice of faith under this tradition encourages good moral behavior and the development of character that helps secure the other fundamental bases of our national citizenship. Freedom of religion, and the free exercise thereof, includes the right to abstain from actions contrary to one's religious beliefs.

Family Values

- 7. The Wyoming Republican Party believes in God's created order: that in His perfect design He created two sexes, male and female.
- 8. Marriage is defined as a covenant the union of one man and one woman as defined by God.
- 9. The traditional family, based on the foundation of marriage between one man and one woman, is the best institution and is the authority on how to provide providing children with the education and training to develop their potential and prepare them in society and in our government. Parental rights are a fundamental right.

Liberty

- 10. No medical procedure, modality, or treatment should ever be mandated under any circumstances.
- 101. Liberty is indivisible from economic freedom. The free-market economy is the economic system most compatible with the requirements of personal freedom and constitutional government. Government's undue interference in the market, as well as the fiscal irresponsibility of government, results in economic inequity. There exists no fundamental right to the fruits of another person's labor.
- <u>1011</u>. No medical procedure, modality, or treatment should ever be mandated under any circumstances.

Citizenry Government by the Constitution

- 12. The citizens of the United States are the ultimate <u>sovereign</u> authority. Governments possess <u>just</u> powers derived only from the consent of the governed.
- 13. Our constitutional representative republic remains the best political system, derived from history and knowledge of human nature, to prohibit tyranny, assure equality of opportunity and protect our individual rights.
- 14. The Constitution of the United States established a more perfect union of sovereign states, not a group of subordinate subsidiaries. Neither the judiciary nor the executive may

effectively change the document via decisions, judicial opinions, or executive actions. The Constitution of the United States may only be altered by the processes of amendment as provided therein. The Constitution of the United States is the supreme law of the land. Under the Tenth Amendment, powers not enumerated in it are reserved to the States and the People. The most effective, responsible, and responsive government is the government that is closest to the People. Government that governs least governs best.

<u>15.</u> The integrity of our elections must be <u>ensured upheld</u>. The Wyoming Republican Party opposes any federal takeover or interference of federal, state, or local elections.

American Exceptionalism and Sovereignty

165. The United States must maintain and defend its national sovereignty free from foreign and domestic influences that would infringe on the rights of the American People guaranteed by the Constitution. Foreign policy must serve the just interests of the United States. Legal immigration must be responsible and limited.

Military

176. It is incumbent imperative on the federal government to maintain a strong military defense for the protection of our people, our interests, and our way of life. Those who serve our country honorably deserve our deepest gratitude, highest respect and unwavering support.

Taxes

187. All taxes collected must be used for the constitutional purposes of government. It is irresponsible to run up debts that are passed on to our children and grandchildren. Taxes should never be more than necessary to meet the government's constitutional obligations. These funds are the taxpayer's, not the governments.

Education

19. We believe in the freedom for parents to choose how their children are to be educated.

<u>2018</u>. The Wyoming Republican Party supports the teaching of the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Wyoming, the Declaration of Independence, and other United States founding documents as well as the factual history and heritage of the United States in Wyoming schools and the historical evidence of the role of faith and biblical principles in the founding of our nation.

Water and Land Rights

<u>2</u>19. The Wyoming Republican Party believes in the state's primacy over water, wildlife, minerals, and natural resources, and the lands within Wyoming that were <u>unappropriated</u> <u>conveyed</u> to the state <u>by the U.S. Congress in the Act of Admission</u> on July 10, 1890, and

supports any actions which assures Wyoming's primacy over its waters.; i.e. and the doctrine of prior appropriations, and the lands within its borders and any other resources.

Right to Work

220. The Wyoming Republican Party opposes the unionization of public employees and supports the Right to Work Law.

Civic Duty

2<u>3</u>1. Our liberty and the continued success of our republican form of federal government demands continuous vigilance by "We the People of the United States and the sovereign citizens of Wyoming."

Free Speech

242. Freedom of speech is a fundamental right secured by the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Wyoming. Freedom of speech includes the freedom of the individual to express his or her beliefs, ideas and opinions without fear of retaliation, censorship or legal sanction by government.

23. The integrity of our elections must be upheld. The Wyoming Republican Party opposes any federal takeover or interference of federal, state, or local elections.

Finally, having thus set forth our foundational principles and values, we invite all Wyoming citizens, who substantially agree with us, to offer their affirmation and support.

Passed:

Wyoming Republican Party State Convention, 22 May 7

Inputs adopted March 2, 2024 at the Sheridan Wyoming Republican Party County Convention.

God Bless,

<u>Bryan E. Miller</u>

Chairman, Sheridan County Republican Party

Phone: <u>307-920-0215</u> E-mail: <u>bmiller@scgop.us</u>