

Respect Religious Beliefs Resolution

WHEREAS, the United States of America has as its motto, “In God we Trust” and in the Pledge of Allegiance, “One Nation under God;” and

WHEREAS, Thomas Jefferson declared that “No provision in our Constitution ought to be dearer to man than that which protects the rights of conscience against the enterprises of the civil authority;” and

WHEREAS, we support longstanding traditions and laws holding that religious people can educate, receive government benefits, and participate in public debates without restraints because of their religious beliefs; and

WHEREAS, we support school administrators and officials who allow, encourage, and protect Texas public school students from primary to post-graduate classification, as they choose to pray and engage in religious speech, individually or in groups on school property without interference; and

WHEREAS, we support laws that protect business owners and governmental employees from discriminatory judgments when questions of their sincerely held beliefs are challenged;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that our state government strengthen and renew its commitment to respect and protect each individual’s exercise of his God-given inalienable rights as defined and ascribed in the Constitution of the United States; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the _____ County or Senate District # _____ Convention Resolutions Committee from Precinct _____ with the recommendation that it be passed and sent to the State Convention Platform Committee of the _____ Party of Texas.