Resolution Instructions for Texas Precinct Conventions

- 1. If you voted in the Republican Party Primary in 2020 you may attend their precinct convention. Likewise, if you voted in the Democrat Party Primary in 2020, you may attend their precinct convention. However, you CANNOT vote in one party's primary and attend the precinct convention of another party.
 - a. Note: If you decided not to vote this year in either party's primary, you may attend your local precinct convention for either party (but not both), though you will most likely be required to take an oath of affiliation that day.
 - b. Precinct conventions are often held in different locations for each party so it's important to find your correct location.
 - c. You MUST be a registered voter in that specific precinct.
- 2. Go here to find everything you need to know about attending a Republican Party of Texas precinct convention https://www.texasgop.org/precinct-conventions/
- 3. Go here to find out who to contact in your county if you are interested in attending the Democratic Party Primary: https://www.txdemocrats.org/county-parties/
- 4. Go here to begin the Democrat Party process of attending state convention (which starts at the precinct level!) https://2020.texasdemocrats.org/
- 5. Often precinct conventions do not last very long. This will be a small time commitment from you for something that could have a very big impact.
- 6. Once you determine where your convention is located, you'll need to take the attached resolutions with you to your precinct convention. It is helpful to have multiple copies, not only for those in charge of the precinct convention, but also for those in attendance.
- 7. Find your precinct convention chairman and tell them you would like to submit the resolutions for consideration. Hand them one copy of each.
- 8. You should try to visit with attendees about your resolution and offer to answer any questions they may have prior to debate.
- 9. Usually, precinct conventions will generally follow the agenda below (note that this isn't always the case and can be up to the discretion of the precinct chairman):
 - a. Call to order

- b. Configure number of qualified candidates (those that are legally allowed to participate)
- c. Overview of agenda and basic procedure
- d. Election of permanent officers
- e. Announcement of County/District Convention (all supporters should try to become a delegate to the County/District Convention in order to continue to push the resolutions further)
- f. Election of Delegates and Alternates (see e. above)
- g. Consideration of resolutions (this is where your resolutions will be passed, debated, amended, or defeated)
- h. Other business
- i. Adjourn

10. It is important for the following to happen:

- a. Make sure you sign up as a delegate (or alternate as a worst case) to attend your County or Senate District Convention so you can work to get this passed there at the next level.
- b. Here is the most important thing, we need you to report back to us the following:
 - i. Was the resolution passed?
 - ii. Name and contact information of your precinct chairman
 - iii. Location of your precinct convention (physical location, precinct number, county name).
 - iv. What was the final wording of the resolution if it passed and is moving forward?
 - v. If the resolution failed, what was the reasoning?

WE ABSOLUTELY MUST BE ABLE TO TRACK THESE THINGS AND KNOW WHERE TO ALLOCATE HUMAN RESOURCES AS WE MOVE FORWARD.

Keep in mind that during this stage, it doesn't technically matter what the resolution is edited to read, as there will be other opportunities to edit the resolution at future stages of the process. As long as the resolution isn't edited to advocate for the exact opposite, we can try to make changes at the subsequent stages. Obviously, the closer it is to the attached language, the better.

As this process moves along, it does become harder to edit the language and keep things in the desired tone, substance, etc. which is why every effort should be make to advocate for the language as submitted. Once these resolutions reach the County/Senate District Conventions and subsequently the State Convention, there will be hundreds and then thousands of people "weighing in" with edits and trying to defeat these. That is why keeping each one as close as possible in the initial stages is so important.