## GILCHRIST COUNTY REPUBLICAN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

## RESOLUTIONS OPPOSING PRO-ABORTION AMENDMENT TO THE FLORIDA CONSTITUTION

**WHEREAS**, we acknowledge that life begins at conception, that all human life is created in the image of God, and that all life is precious and a blessing from God;

WHEREAS, the Declaration of Independence declares it to be a self-evident truth that "all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights," beginning with the right to life;

**WHEREAS**, the Republican Party is proud to stand up for the rights of the unborn and believe all Americans have an unalienable right to life as stated in the Declaration of Independence;

WHEREAS, there is a scientific consensus that each human begins his or her life cycle at fertilization;

WHEREAS, abortion is destructive to the life, health, and well-being of the unborn child;

**WHEREAS**, state laws and federal judicial decisions allowing abortion in the United States denied constitutional rights to unborn children, causing the unspeakable loss of more than 60 million children before birth;

WHEREAS, radical activists have collected petition signatures that would place on the November ballot a constitutional amendment that would enshrine abortions on demand and up to birth into the Florida Constitution, which would bypass the delegated authority of the Legislature and override the right to life laws in effect in the State of Florida;

**WHEREAS,** Attorney General Ashley Moody has filed a challenge against this proposed amendment with the Florida Supreme Court because of its attempt to mislead voters and as a result, undermine the authority of the Florida Legislature and Judiciary; and

WHEREAS, while great gains have been made with the United States Supreme Court overturning Roe and the legislation adopted in the State of Florida that protects life, there is still work to be done to further protect unborn children from the relentless pursuits of abortionists in the nation.

## NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY:

**RESOLVED,** that the Republican Party of Gilchrist County opposes the pro-abortion amendment labeled "Amendment to Limit Government Interference in Abortion", which would make abortion legal and on demand all the way up to and including delivery, thereby legalizing the barbaric practice of infanticide;

**RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Gilchrist County opposes any efforts to overturn duly passed and adopted pro-life legislation such as the "Heartbeat Bill" through a constitutional amendment; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that while the Republican Party of Gilchrist County applauds legislation that has been enacted in the State of Florida that will curb thousands of abortions and save countless babies lives, we recognize that there is still further work to be done to end this inhumane practice once and for all; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Gilchrist County supports Attorney General Ashley Moody's work of legally challenging both this amendment and the efforts of the abortionists to place this amendment on the November ballot; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Gilchrist County opposes the efforts by the abortionists to place this radical pro-abortion amendment on the ballot, and if it does appear on the ballot ask all voters in Gilchrist County to vote against this amendment in November.

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## CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned officers of the Gilchrist County Republican Executive Committee, do hereby certify that on February 26, 2024, the Executive Committee met at a meeting that was duly called and with a quorum present, and after due consideration affirmatively voted and adopted the foregoing resolutions.

David Biddle

Chairman Gilchrist County REC

**Ruth Smith** 

Secretary Gilchrist County REC