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Resolution from Union County Republican Party – 1st Vice Chair Lee Lehman

Whereas: Georgia is a Constitutional form of government. No duly elected representative should be denied the opportunity to represent the citizens that elected them at any joint session regardless of the location.

Whereas: The Union County Republican Party (UCRP) is firmly against any and all activities that violate the Georgia Constitution. Any and all attempts to stop a duly elected Senator or Representative from performing his or her constitutional duties is unacceptable. Denying constituents of representation in any joint session is wrong and will not be tolerated.

Whereas: The First Amendment of the United States Constitution is not for speech that you like to hear, but rather it is protecting speech in opposition or speech you don't agree with or want to hear. While free speech does have consequences, the actions taken by Jon Burns violated Georgia constitutional law and violated a sacred trust by *We the People* to have our elected representative fulfill their duties on behalf of their constituents.

Whereas: Making a statement is not nearly enough to rectify this outrageous behavior by Jon Burns and the assembly. The Republican Party controls the House, Senate, and the Governorship. *We the People* demand unity. Every elected official report to *We the People* and the actions taken to stop Senator Colton Moore was a stain on our State aided and abetted by willing, ignorant accomplices.

Therefore: Those that enabled this cosplay of governance must never again be permitted near the levers of power.

Therefore: Everyone needs to choose a side and the Union County Republican Party stands for freedom of speech with little to no exceptions- Senator Colton Moore should have the opportunity to represent the citizens that elected him at any joint session regardless of the location.