A RESOLUTION to Close the Georgia Primaries

WHEREAS Georgia currently has open primaries such that persons are allowed "to cross-over" and vote in the opposition's primary; and

WHEREAS in the past two primary elections held in Georgia, many Republicans have the opinion that Democrats have "crossed over" to vote in Republican primaries to select the weakest Republican candidate; and,

WHEREAS the purpose of the primaries is to select candidates to further party goals; and,

WHEREAS the Delegates of this Convention support closing primaries such that a voter must declare a party in order to vote in the primaries; and,

WHEREAS only people registered to vote in a particular party may be allowed to vote for the party for which they registered. At any time the voter may change registration EXCEPT before the primary; therefore,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Delegates of this Convention demand the voting laws of Georgia be changed such that primaries will require party declaration.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Secretary of Georgia Republican Party Convention is directed to immediately transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Chairman of the Georgia Republican Party and to all elected Republican officials in the Georgia Senate and in the Georgia House; to the Honorable Brian P. Kemp, Governor of the State of Georgia, the Honorable Burt Jones, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Georgia; and to the Honorable Jon Burns, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Convention Chairman	Convention Secretary