# County GOP Leadership Accountability Standards

To: California Republican Party Convention

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#### **Preamble**

I believe that effective local leadership is essential for electoral success and party growth within the California Republican Party. While registered Republican voters represent a significant portion of California's electorate, I've observed that voter turnout in many counties remains critically low. County GOP Committees are the primary organizational vehicle for Republican voter outreach, engagement, and mobilization. Therefore, I propose that accountability measures are necessary to ensure that party leadership fulfills its fundamental duty to maximize Republican voter participation.

In numerous California counties, I've identified that less than 30% of registered Republicans participate in major elections, which I view as a failure of local party leadership to adequately engage our base.

Now, therefore, I propose that the California Republican Party adopt the following accountability standards:

#### Section I: Voter Accountability Standard

#### 1.1 Minimum Turnout Requirement

I propose that any County GOP Chairperson currently serving in office be subject to mandatory resignation if less than thirty percent (30%) of registered Republicans within their county vote in any qualifying election during their term. This would be determined by the official and final voter count certified by the County Voter Registrar.

# 1.2 Definition of Qualifying Election

For the purposes of this proposal, a "qualifying election" would mean any federal, state, or local election in which candidates, if elected, are required to take an oath of office for that specific position. This would include, but not be limited to:

- Presidential elections
- U.S. Senate and House of Representatives elections
- Statewide constitutional offices (Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, etc.)
- State Legislature elections
- County Supervisor elections
- Mayoral elections
- City Council elections
- School Board elections
- Special District elections requiring an oath of office

## 1.3 Resignation Requirement

Upon the official and final voter count certification by the County Voter Registrar demonstrating that less than 30% of registered Republicans voted in a qualifying election, I propose that the County GOP Chairperson must tender their resignation in writing to the County GOP Executive Committee within fourteen (14) calendar days of such certification 18.

## **Section II: Succession and Replacement Procedures**

#### 2.1 Interim Leadership

Upon the resignation of a County GOP Chairperson under this resolution, I recommend that the County GOP Vice-Chairperson assume interim leadership responsibilities until a replacement is elected 19

#### 2.2 Special Election Requirement

The County GOP Executive Committee should organize and conduct a special election to select a new Chairperson within sixty (60) calendar days of the resignation 20. The newly elected Chairperson would serve for the remainder of the original term.

## 2.3 Candidate Eligibility

All candidates for the special election must demonstrate a concrete plan for improving Republican voter turnout and engagement within the county.

#### **Section III: Implementation and Enforcement**

#### 3.1 Effective Date

I propose that this resolution take effect immediately upon adoption by the California Republican Party Convention and apply to all qualifying elections occurring after the effective date23.

## 3.2 Reporting Requirements

County GOP Committees should provide quarterly reports to the California Republican Party on voter engagement activities and registration efforts.

## 3.3 Appeals Process

I suggest that County GOP Chairpersons be allowed to appeal a resignation requirement to the California Republican Party Executive Committee if extraordinary circumstances beyond their control contributed to low turnout25. Such appeals must be filed within seven (7) calendar days of the County Voter Registrar's certification of the official and final voter count.

## **Section IV: Rationale and Expected Outcomes**

## 4.1 Accountability Imperative

I believe this resolution establishes clear performance metrics for County GOP leadership, ensuring that party officers are held accountable for their primary responsibility: maximizing Republican voter participation.

## 4.2 Competitive Advantage

By requiring demonstrated voter engagement success, I anticipate that this standard will elevate the quality of local Republican leadership and enhance the party's competitive position in California elections.

## 4.3 Grassroots Empowerment

I am confident that this accountability measure will empower Republican voters by ensuring their local party leadership is actively working to engage and mobilize the base.

#### **Section V: Motion for Adoption**

I respectfully move that this resolution be adopted by the California Republican Party Convention and incorporated into the party's bylaws and operational procedures.

This proposal represents my commitment to excellence in Republican leadership and my determination to maximize the political impact of California's Republican voters through accountable, results-oriented party governance.