



This Resolution was duly passed by a unanimous vote of the Executive Board of the Republican Liberty Caucus of Florida in conformance with the requirements of its Constitution

Resolution to Express Opposition to the Unseating of a Duly-elected State Committeeman and State Committeewoman and to the Disbanding of a Duly-Constituted Republican county executive committee

WHEREAS, the Republican Liberty Caucus of Florida is a chapter of a nationally-constituted Republican organization whose full name, charter and proper legal existence is recognized as legitimate and fully compliant with Florida law by the Republican Party of Florida (“RPOF”); and

WHEREAS, a primary purpose and function of the Republican Liberty Caucus of Florida is to safeguard the results of fair elections and to express its discomfiture and when appropriate, its outrage, when a duly-elected Republican candidate is stripped or unseated of his or her elected office, including duly-elected Republican candidates who bear the responsibility to represent the voices of a population of Republican voters before the state Party, such as Republican county executive committee (“REC”) chairmen, state committeemen, or state committeewomen; and

WHEREAS, no party rule, party constitutional provision or party bylaw, nor any state statute provides authority to the state executive committee, the state Executive Board, a state subcommittee, or to the Chairman of the state Republican

party to remove or unseat a Republican state committeeman or a state committeewoman who was duly-elected on a contested ballot by the population of qualified electors voting in a state primary held for that purpose in a Florida county; and

WHEREAS, Florida courts protect the interest of qualified candidates to appear on a primary ballot and also protect the interest of a candidate who is duly-elected in a local primary as the selection of the electorate [INSERT CITATIONS TO CASELAW]; and

WHEREAS, stripping a duly-elected official of their vote or their seat without authority amounts to a taking or a theft of office and is an ultra vires act when committed by the Chairman of RPOF against a duly-elected Republican state committeeman or a state committeewoman; and

WHEREAS, the Republican voters of Manatee County, Florida, elected a Republican state committeeman from among a choice of candidates whose names appeared on the contested primary ballot, and the county's duly-elected Republican state committeeman and state committeewoman assumed their roles and seats in Manatee County on or about December 1, 2024, and subsequently they attended the annual organizational meeting of the RPOF on January 11, 2025, to cast their vote on behalf of the Republican voters of Manatee County for or against candidates seeking to be elected as officers of RPOF; however, before casting any votes, they were both pulled aside by an officer of RPOF who stripped them of the right to cast votes in the RPOF election, depriving Manatee voters of their representative voices in the state party election, and subsequently, the newly-elected Chairman of RPOF formally caused each of them to be unseated from their duly-elected offices; and

WHEREAS, neither the Manatee County Republican state committeeman nor

the Manatee County Republican state committeewoman had committed an offense in relation to the Republican Party of Florida or its Rules, nor were the subject of any grievance process that afforded them due process or an opportunity to be heard before being unseated such that the removal from elected office was unconstitutional, lacking in competent substantial evidence, and violative of Florida judicial precedent recognizing that office-holders have a vested interest in maintaining elected office against unjustified removal; and

WHEREAS, the RPOF entirely disbanded the Manatee County Republican Executive Committee stating that a large number of grievances had been filed, although no sworn grievance was directed toward action or inaction of the removed Republican state committeeman or the removed state committeewoman; and

WHEREAS, other Republican county executive committees have also been unseated, disbanded, or had their officers appointed or replaced at the whim of the state Chairman without supportive basis, justification, or authority, resulting in statewide apprehension among the officers of the county RECs who fear similar baseless retaliation in response to the unrestrained exercise of their offices or voicing of their concerns on behalf of their county voters.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

THAT the Republican Liberty Caucus of Florida expresses its outrage at the violation of certified election results in Manatee County, and its disapproval and opposition to ongoing demonstrable hostility shown by RPOF against county party executive committees and officers, committeemen or committeewomen that have been disbanded, unseated, removed or replaced by RPOF without explanation, transparency, rule violation, identifiable cause or due process, where such tyranny has a chilling affect upon party unity statewide and casts a thinly veiled threat over the committeemen and committeewomen in all Florida county RECs who fear similar

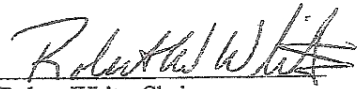
extreme party domination that extinguishes political liberty; and we further

RESOLVE, to express additional appropriate opposition to the Supervisor of Elections of Manatee County, to the Office of Election Crimes and Security, and to Secretary of State Cord Byrd, in response to the apparent unauthorized interference with the results of the Manatee County party elections; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Liberty Caucus of Florida encourages all of its chapters and the sixty-seven (67) county Republican Executive Committees to join us in denouncing the clear abuse of unseating, without cause or justification, the Manatee County state committeeman and state committeewoman who had been duly-elected by ballot vote of the county electorate in contested races and who had committed no offense of any kind; and we call upon the Republican National Committee to ask the leadership of the Republican Party of Florida to reconsider its action toward the elected party officials of Manatee County, Florida and to investigate the basis for RPOF's extreme actions against REC's of several Florida counties whose officers or committeemen or committeewomen have been removed or replaced by RPOF without explanation, or any apparent cause.

DONE AND RESOLVED as permitted under our Constitution and Rules, by the Executive Board of the Republican Liberty Caucus of Florida at a regular meeting with quorum present and duly-noticed for the purpose of considering this Resolution, on the 1st day of June, 2025.


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Party officials and Election officials named herein