

Ensuring Election Integrity of Hawai'i Elections

Whereas, Each voter's ballot is the fundamental exchange contract in a Constitutional republic to elect officials to act on their behalf;

Whereas, The Chief Election Officer supervises all state elections to ensure compliance with state and federal election laws, maintains the statewide voter registration database, and provides public education regarding elections;

Whereas, The Chief Elections Officer repeatedly fails to perform his duties competently;

Whereas, Hawai'i Act 136 of 2019, Elections By Mail, has resulted in problematic election practices that call into question the validity of all election results since its passage; and

Whereas, These questionable practices include but are not limited to: ballots mailed to outdated voter registrations, no requirement for voter identification, expansion of the election period, failure to maintain the voter registration databases, use of unmonitored and unsecured places of deposit (aka, "drop boxes") with insufficient chain of custody, early counting of ballots, no official observers for signature verification, insufficient verification of the security of machine scanning and tabulation of ballots, and having no verification of voter citizenship, have all increased the opportunity for election fraud and the loss of security and transparency in our elections; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Hawai'i Republican Party, in convention on May 4-5, 2024:

1. Calls on Hawai'i state legislators to take immediate action to implement the following measures to protect the security, transparency, and integrity of Hawai'i elections:

- a. Request the Elections Commission to seek a replacement for the Chief Officer of Elections.
- b. Repeal Act 136 Elections By Mail and return to precinct level in person voting with voter ID on Election Day (allowing for limited exceptions for absentee voting).
- c. Require voter ID and citizenship verification to register to vote.
- d. Ban ballot harvesting.
- e. Prohibit the private funding of elections.

- f. Ban Ranked Choice Voting.
 - g. Require quarterly reconciliation of the voter registration database with NCOA data, and routine audits of the database to ensure that registrations are timely removed or inactivated.
 - h. Require an independent audit of all computerized election management systems (EMS) before each election and prohibit any modifications to the EMS after the audit and continuing for 90 days post-election.
 - i. Validate and make available for public inspection the chain of custody of each ballot, cast vote records, and other pertinent election records whose availability for public review are critical to restore trust in our elections.
 - j. Hold elections officials accountable for any failure to follow requirements enacted by the Hawai'i legislature, to include Completion of the Certification Audit no later than December 31st of the election year.
 - k. Require the Hawai'i Office of Elections to maintain all elections records (physical and electronic) for 48 months after the election.
 - l. Investigate elections irregularities, and prosecute violators of election laws.
2. Calls on Hawai'i's Congressional delegation to oppose any attempt to federalize state election procedures via legislation.
3. Will post copies of this resolution on the Hawai'i Republican Party website and transmit copies to the Hawai'i Congressional Delegation, Governor of the State of Hawai'i; the Lieutenant Governor, members of the Hawai'i State Legislature, and the Mayors and County Clerks of each County.

Election Ballot Counting Process

Whereas, Door-to-door voter roll inquiries have uncovered names of active voters who do not live at the address listed on the voter roll;

Whereas, The Hawai'i Office of Elections prints hundreds of thousands more ballots than they actually mail out, keeping the surplus ballots inventoried, secured, and stored at the Office of Elections warehouse in Pearl City;

Whereas, During the 2022 election period, the Office of Elections adjusted Counting Center Official Observer Schedules based on the volume of incoming mail-in ballots, often leaving the room that contained the counting machines without observation, even though anyone with the proper authority was free enter the counting machine room at any time;

Whereas, On Saturday, 11/5/22, all vote counting officials and observers were told to not come to the counting center on Sunday, 11/6/22, due to low voter turnout, thus leaving the counting center empty that entire day;

Whereas, On Election Day, 11/8/22 at midnight, in the Oahu Senate Chamber counting machine room, it was observed that the quantity of Voted Ballot Containers in every sealed cage, was at least double the amount it had been when everything was shut down on Sat, 11/5/22. The filled-to-the-brim cages did not display the Official Observer signature paperwork either in the cage or on the cage handle;

Whereas, Election integrity concerns every Hawai'i resident, solutions that restore trust and provide transparency in the Election process and Office of Elections are long overdue; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Hawai'i Republican Party in convention on May 4-5, 2024:

1. Recommends that the Office of Elections ensures that observers are present during the entire period, at all times, of the Election Process, to provide continuous oversight and proper control of all surplus ballots;
2. Recommends that all Hawai'i counting centers be monitored with 24/7 live stream video that can be observed by the general public throughout the entire voting period. These cameras will be positioned far enough away to ensure ballot privacy.
3. Will post copies of this resolution to the Hawai'i Republican Party website and transmit copies to the Governor of the State of Hawai'i, members of the Hawai'i Legislature and the Hawai'i Congressional delegation.

Repeal Ranked Choice Voting in Hawai'i

Whereas, Hawai'i's legislature passed rank choice voting legislation for special federal elections as well as for filling non-partisan county vacancies beginning in 2023; and

Whereas, It has been found that rank choice voting, also called "instant runoff voting":

- a. requires voters to rank all candidates for an office, including candidates that they do not want elected to that office or jeopardize their vote becoming irrelevant;
- b. increases the amount of time voters need to research candidates and complete their ballot, often discouraging voter participation;
- c. makes the vote count more complex and difficult to validate therefore delays the final vote tally and often requires machine tabulation which is susceptible to hacking and manipulation;
- d. districts in other states that have implemented the rank-choice process have lower voter turnout rates and many states are considering repealing and prohibiting ranked-choice voting; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Hawai'i Republican Party, in convention on May 4-5, 2024:

1. Calls on Hawai'i state legislators to take immediate action to:
 - a. Repeal ranked choice voting as implemented as Act 47 of 6/17/2022
 - b. Pass legislation that stipulates that "a person may not vote for more candidates for an office than the number of offices to be filled."
2. The Hawai'i Republican Party will post copies of this resolution on the Hawai'i Republican Party website and transmit copies to the Hawai'i Congressional Delegation, Governor of the State of Hawai'i; the Lieutenant Governor, members of the Hawai'i State Legislature, and the Mayors and County Clerks of each County.

**Resolution to Reconfirm our Oaths to
the Constitution of the United States of America,
the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i
and to the People We Swore to Represent**

Whereas, The Republican Party of Hawai'i members revere the original intent of the Constitution of the United States of America that established our nation as representative form of government to protect the rights of citizens against the tyranny of government;

Whereas, As citizens of the State of Hawai'i we also honor the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i for its role in addressing our states' rights, privileges and government responsibilities;

Whereas, Our elected officials are required by their oath to protect those rights and advocate for the best interests of all their constituents, not self-interests nor paid lobbyists' interests, nor the interests of their political party; and

Whereas, There has been significant legislation at the national and state levels that infringe on many rights of "We the People" especially in regard to the first, second, and fourth amendments to the U.S. Constitution which is indicative that legislators need intermittent review of the limits of their powers as constrained by national and state Constitutions; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Hawai'i Republican Party, in convention on May 4-5, 2024 call for the implementation of a new procedure that the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i be read aloud in full session of the House and Senate at the beginning of each legislative session as a reminder of the most important function of the state legislature and all elected officials; and

Resolved, That all elected officials at State and County levels read the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i at the beginning of their term office and each anniversary date thereafter; and

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be posted on the Hawai'i Republican Party website and copies transmitted to the Governor of the State of Hawai'i; the Lieutenant Governor, members of the Hawai'i State Legislature and the Mayors of each County.

Eliminate Dual CITIZENSHIP for Public Servants

Whereas, The Supreme Court decided in the 1967 case of *Afroyim v. Rusk*, that a U.S. citizen is legally allowed to hold dual citizenship;

Whereas, Elected representatives, government appointees, and candidates for office who have dual citizenship may have a conflict of interest and divided loyalty which may erode public trust in government, especially when authorizing funding for foreign nations;

Whereas, The lack of transparency regarding the citizenship of government officials causes credibility doubts where there should be none; and

Whereas, Officers in the U.S. Armed Forces have to renounce foreign citizenship before taking the oath of office upon commissioning; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Hawai'i Republican Party in convention on May 4-5, 2024:

1. Calls on our Hawai'i Congressional delegation to propose an amendment to the U. S. Constitution to require federal elected officials to disclose any foreign citizenship at the time of registering their campaign and formally renounce their foreign citizenship(s) before taking the oath of office;
2. Calls on Hawai'i State Legislators to pass legislation requiring elected officials at the state level to disclose any foreign citizenship at the time of registering their campaign and formally renounce their foreign citizenship(s) before taking the oath of office;
3. Calls on our Hawai'i Congressional delegation and State Legislators to pass legislation requiring political appointees who will serve as a member of the Governor's cabinet, or as the head of a federal or state agency, to disclose dual citizenship as part of their approval process and to formally renounce their foreign citizenship(s) upon appointment; and
4. Will post copies of this resolution to the Hawai'i Republican Party website and transmit copies to the Governor of the State of Hawai'i, members of the Hawai'i State Legislature, and the Hawai'i Congressional delegation.

Resolution Regarding Constitutional Sheriffs

Whereas, The rights, exercises and involvement of the people, alongside their government trustees are always amendable and available for redress, in the event of discourse between the people and their government;

Whereas, Hawai'i registered voters have petitioned for election of County Sheriffs, in all four counties (Hawai'i, Maui, City & County of Honolulu, Kauai);

Whereas, The County Sheriff, known as Constitutional Sheriff, is accountable directly to county residents, the U S. Constitution and the Hawai'i Constitution in accordance with the oath;

Whereas, Each County Sheriff must perform their primary duty to protect the unalienable rights of the people of the county in which he/she was elected; and

Whereas, The current appointment system is susceptible to abuse of power, coercion, and corruption; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Hawai'i Republican Party in convention on May 4-5, 2024:

1. Calls on the Legislature to establish the position of County Sheriff in each county and eliminate the current practice of filling Sheriff positions;
2. Hold free and fair elections of County Sheriff's no later than the 2026 election;
3. The Hawai'i Republican Party will post copies of this resolution on the official Party website and transmit copies to the Hawai'i Congressional Delegation, Governor of the State of Hawai'i; the Lieutenant Governor, members of the Hawai'i State Legislature, and the Mayors of each county.

Resolution Supporting and Strengthening Hawai'i's Trespassing and Adverse Possession Laws

Whereas, Hawai'i's Revised Statutes §708-815 defines simple trespassing as when a person knowingly enters or remains unlawfully in or upon premises;

Whereas, It is estimated that over 10 million illegal immigrants have entered this country;

Whereas, Social media has brought to light the problem of squatters violating trespassing laws and taking over empty homes while states are disallowing homeowners from taking necessary steps to regain ownership of their homes;

Whereas, We support strengthening Hawai'i's trespassing laws to make it a felony offense if a person, defined as a squatter, takes over possession of a house, destroys the property, and/or uses the property in an illegal way such as dealing and selling illicit drugs;

Whereas, We support Hawai'i's adverse possession laws which require a squatter to have lived on the property continuously for 20 years;

Whereas, We approve of another requirement of the adverse possession law that the occupant of the person pay real property taxes continuously for 20 years; and

Whereas, We support the third requirement of the adverse possession law which requires a Color of Title; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we recommend the Color of Title be any formal document proving that they are entitled to live on the property, such as (1) a notarized will declaring they are the heir to the property, (2) a deed filed at the Bureau of Conveyances declaring they have the right to live on the property; or (3) any notarized document by the owner giving the occupant authority to live on the property.

Resolved, That the Hawai'i Republican Party in convention on May 4-5, 2024, support this Resolution.

Resolved, That this resolution be submitted to every legislator, councilmember, and congressional member of the state of Hawai'i.

Condemning President Biden's Open-Borders Policies

Whereas, The United States faces an unprecedented border security crisis;

Whereas, Under President Biden, the Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has encountered an average of close to 200,000 illegal aliens monthly along the southwest border;

Whereas, The total number of illegal aliens encountered under President Biden exceeds 10 million, with at least 3.3 million released into the U.S. interior;

Whereas, Over 2 million known illegal alien "gotaways" have evaded the U.S. Border Patrol during this time, alongside an unknown number of undetected "gotaways";

Whereas, Encounters with illegal aliens on the Terrorist Screening Dataset along the southwest border have increased over 2,700% compared to previous administrations;

Whereas, President Biden's policies, including terminating the Migrant Protection Protocols, halting border wall construction, and implementing lax immigration enforcement, have exacerbated the crisis due to violent criminal aliens being released into U.S. communities due to negligent enforcement;

Whereas, Fentanyl has flooded U.S. communities, posing a deadly threat; and

Whereas, President Biden's response to the crisis, including proposed amnesty legislation, will only incentivize further illegal immigration; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Hawai'i Republican Party in convention on May 4-5, 2024:

1. Denounces President Biden's open borders policies and condemns the national security and public safety crisis created along the southwest border;
2. Supports the House-impeachment of Director of Homeland Security, Alejandro Majorkas; and
3. Will post this resolution on the Hawai'i Republican Party website and and transmit copies to the Hawai'i Congressional Delegation, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, the Lieutenant Governor, members of the Hawai'i State Legislature, and the Mayors of each county.

A Resolution Affirming the Hawai'i Republican Party's Support for Israel and Condemning the Hamas Attack on Israel on October 7, 2023

Whereas, Hamas was founded with the stated goal of destroying Israel and has been designated by the United States as a terrorist organization;

Whereas, The Hamas terrorist organization launched a brutal, highly organized, and unprecedented attack upon Israel and its citizens in the early morning hours of October 7, 2023;

Whereas, In the attack, Hamas killed hundreds of innocent civilians and took hundreds of Israeli children, women, elderly, and infirm civilians hostage;

Whereas, In the attack, Hamas fired thousands of rockets against Israeli population centers in a concerted attempt to kill untold numbers of innocent civilians;

Whereas, The level of logistical sophistication demonstrated in the Hamas terrorism operation provides evidence that Hamas received support and funding from foreign state sponsors of terror, namely Iran;

Whereas, The timing of the Hamas terrorism operation to coincide with the Jewish Sabbath and the Jewish holiday of Simchat Torah demonstrates Hamas' intent to maximize civilian casualties; and

Whereas, Hamas continues to brazenly locate elements of its terrorist infrastructure in civilian population centers using their civilians as human shields; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Hawai'i Republican Party (HRP), in convention on May 4-5, 2024;

1. Affirms its support and commitment to the welfare, safety, security, and survival of Israel and their right to self-defense;
2. Conveys its heartfelt condolences to all Israeli victims, their families and communities;
3. Condemns terrorists organizations and encourages Hawai'i's state and local law enforcement agencies to remain vigilant in protecting all Americans from acts of crime and unlawful discrimination; and
4. Will post copies of this resolution to the Hawai'i Republican Party website and transmit copies to the State Governor, members of the Hawai'i State Legislature, and County Mayors.

Resolution Urging the Biden Administration to Act to Protect Jewish Students from Pro-Hamas Anti-Semitic Mobs

Whereas, Regarding the outbreak of anti-Semitic, pro-terrorist mobs on college campuses, the Hawai'i Republican Party urges the Biden Administration to act to protect Jewish Students from these pro-Hamas anti-Semitic mobs;

Whereas, Pro-Hamas rioters have effectively shut down college campuses and have literally chased Jewish students away from our schools;

Whereas, Anti-Israel protestors, spurred on by prominent leftists, have gathered on college campuses chanting anti-Semitic slogans and directly threatening Jewish students;

Whereas, Columbia University and other elite universities have been public examples of violence and threats against Jewish students;

Whereas, The situation has so devolved that a prominent Jewish rabbi at Columbia University urged Jewish students to flee campus and stay away for their own safety;

Whereas, At Yale University, a Jewish student journalist was reportedly attacked over the weekend by a pro-Hamas mob while attempting to film a protest;

Whereas, The Department of Education and federal law enforcement must act to restore order and prosecute the mobs who have perpetrated violence against Jewish students; and

Resolved, that the Hawai'i Republican Party in convention on May 4-5, 2024;

1. Urges the Biden Administration to take action to condemn anti-Semitism and restore order and protect Jewish students on our college campuses;
2. Recognizes that the school administrators' failure to protect Jewish students from harassment, which violates federal law, is grounds for those schools losing access to federal funds;
3. Recognizes that the foreign students espousing support for terrorists, such as Hamas, violates federal immigration law and is grounds for deportation;
4. Will post copies of this resolution to the Hawai'i Republican Party website and transmit copies to the Governor of the State of Hawai'i; members of the Hawai'i State Legislature, and County Mayors.