

## RESOLUTION CALLING FOR REPUBLICANS TO UNITE BEHIND THE CONCEPT OF "TAKING POWER OUT OF WASHINGTON"

WHEREAS, The concentration of power into Washington, D.C. makes it easier for small, unrepresentative elites to undermine government of, by, and for the people;

WHEREAS, In his 1981 inaugural speech, President Ronald Reagan stated, "[i]t is time to check and reverse the growth of government, which shows signs of having grown beyond the consent of the governed";

WHEREAS, In his 2017 inaugural speech President Donald Trump made the bold statement, "today we are not merely transferring the power from one administration to another, or from one party to another, but we are transferring power from Washington D.C. and giving it back to you, the people";

WHEREAS, As individual liberties of citizens are systematically sacrificed on the altar of a leftist and more intrusive government, the Biden administration has reversed President Trump's concept of "power out of Washington and back to the people" and President Reagan's concept to "check and reverse" the growth of government;

WHEREAS, After only eighteen months of the current central government's expanding power and abusive control of all facets of citizens' lives, the fanatical compulsions of the Biden administration and the Democrat-led Senate and House of Representatives, using climate change as the basis for absurd regulations, policies, and unrealistic timelines, have all but destroyed a vibrant energy policy that not so long ago allowed our country to be energy secure and energy independent at affordable prices;

WHEREAS, Excessive central government power and control in Washington may lead to more government rules and regulations to curtail nitrogen emissions from farmer applied fertilizer as is currently being implemented in Sri Lanka, the Netherlands, and Germany as well as is being enacted in Canada and Ireland, all with the same result: a tremendous reduction in food crop yield and great damage to agricultural income, notwithstanding the eventual devastation of human food supply and nourishment;

WHEREAS, President Biden and the Democrats have, by design, exploited the COVID-19 event to expand the reach and control of an overbearing, bloated, and out of touch central government that uses needless rules and regulations under the guise of thwarting contagion;

WHEREAS, Democrats also used COVID restraints to build support for HR1 (that would have imposed central control of all federal elections) with the goal of strengthening Democrats' grip on the average citizen's way of life;





WHEREAS, Only strong Republican state leaders and a sensible Supreme Court has restrained the Biden administration and the Democrat-controlled Congress's rush into an unrecognizable, collapsed economy and a consolidation of power into Washington that may very well become irreversible unless Republican leadership corrects several gaping governmental self-inflicted wounds;

WHEREAS, Recognizing that the vast majority of present governmental functions are not conducted by elected officials, but by unelected powerful bureaucrats in federal regulatory agencies who have no accountability for their overreach and/or errors, the people's representatives in Congress need a simpler procedure for forcing Congress to consider and roll back unwise or extreme regulations, either by revamping the Administrative Procedure Act of 1946 or, if necessary, amending the Constitution; and

WHEREAS, With Democrats currently eyeing the Supreme Court as its enemy and greatly desiring to expand it by adding to its number several additional like-minded left-leaning judges via a process called "packing the court"; therefore, be it

*RESOLVED*, That the Republican National Committee stresses the importance to all Republican candidates of 2022 of moving power of governmental decisions out of Washington and back to the states and the people; and

*RESOLVED*, That the RNC must emphasize in the strongest terms possible the necessity of including the removal of power from Washington and returning it to the states and the people as a plank of the upcoming Republican Party Platform of 2024.

