

RESOLUTION

SUBJECT: Environment

PRESENTED BY: Blanco County Democratic Party Convention, March 19, 2022

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Whereas: We are compelled to act because carbon pollution is affecting our planet and profoundly impacting Texas and America and placing the world at risk;

Whereas: The cost of increasing droughts, floods, wildfires, extreme weather, and rising sea levels can be measured in lost lives, economic losses, higher food prices, restricted access to drinking water, poorer health, and hundreds of billions of dollars in disaster relief;

Whereas: We must help restore the atmosphere, oceans, and our freshwater sources, prepare for climate events and put our nation on a path to a positive future;

Whereas: Human activity contributes to these threats and humans can solve this challenge;

Whereas: Texas leadership can help the world meet these challenges with innovative solutions;

Therefore: Be it resolved that, together as Texans, we must create solutions that effectively address climate risks. These solutions must:

Create a positive energy future: Solutions should promote abundant, clean energy, avoid costly carbon pollution from dirty fuels, provide choice in affordable energy, and provide greater economic freedom by making our homes, buildings, and transportation more energy efficient;

Improve people's health and prepare for harmful impacts: Solutions must clear the air, improve land and water quality, provide healthy food choices to nurture people's bodies and spirits, combat the devastating health impacts of climate change, reduce injury and illness, and create a better quality of life through access to clean drinking water sources and a healthy environment;

Build shared, sustainable prosperity: Solutions should create good, clean jobs and a sustainable economy that supports livelihoods today and for generations to come;

Engage all Texans: Solutions must provide all of us a say in decisions that affect our lives. Special effort should be made to include youth and vulnerable communities in crafting solutions.

Therefore: Be it further resolved that, we will build awareness and support for climate solutions by inspiring and empowering our organizations and communities with actionable information, powerful engagement tools, and best practice resources.

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