

The Official Call to the 2025 Republican Party of Wisconsin State Convention

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THERE IS HEREBY CALLED, by action of the State Executive Committee of the Republican Party of Wisconsin, meeting on the seventh day of December 2024, **a STATE CONVENTION**, as provided in Article VIII of the Constitution of the Republican Party of Wisconsin, to be held **at the Central Wisconsin Convention & Expo Center at 10101 Market Street, Rothschild, WI at 8 a.m. on Saturday, May 17, 2025**, for the purpose of transacting the following business:

1. To promulgate and adopt reports from the committees on Credentials, Rules, and Resolutions.
2. To promulgate and adopt the report from the Constitution Committee, including recommendations to amend the Constitution of the Republican Party of Wisconsin as indicated below:
 - a. To amend the final paragraph of Article III as follows: “‘Members in good standing’ shall be defined as those who meet the membership requirements specified in this constitution and the constitution of the Republican organization in the county of their residence and pay county party dues. No one may become a member in good standing if they hold a membership in another political party committee registered with Federal or State Elections Agency(s).”
 - b. To amend Article VI, Section 10 as follows: “The State Executive Committee shall have eight standing committees, including Budget, Candidate and Campaign, Communications, Constitution, Convention, District Leadership, Operations, and Party Development.”
3. To hear reports from Party leaders, elected officials, and other invited speakers.
4. To transact any other business that may be necessary to gain the objectives of the Republican Party of Wisconsin.

This **CALL TO CONVENTION** was approved on March 3, 2025, during a special meeting of the State Executive Committee held electronically.

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1 of voting delegates present from at least two delegations, each from a Congressional
2 district different from each other and the district from which the demand has been made.

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4 D. Upon any roll call, no county shall have the right to yield the floor to another county.

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6 E. In lieu of a roll call, and if agreed to by the convention, balloting on questions for which a
7 roll call has been called, may be tabulated and reported by the County Chairman, and
8 reported to the Convention Secretary in writing, on a ballot provided by the Secretary,
9 and then reported electronically to the convention.

10 11 **RULE 3: Convention Officers and Committees**

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13 A. There shall be four convention officers: Permanent Chairman, Vice Chairman,
14 Parliamentary, and Secretary. The officers shall be appointed by the State Chairman of
15 the Republican Party of Wisconsin prior to the convening of the convention.

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17 B. There shall be up to four major committees: Credentials, Resolutions, and Rules, and, in
18 even numbered years, Platform. The Chairman or Co-Chairmen of each committee shall
19 be appointed by the State Chairman of the Republican Party of Wisconsin prior to the day
20 scheduled for state convention committee meetings. Two members from each
21 Congressional District shall be elected to each committee at the District Caucus as
22 required in the Constitution of the Republican Party of Wisconsin.

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24 C. In the event a committee member from a particular Congressional District is not able to
25 attend the committee meeting, the District Chairman shall be empowered to appoint a
26 replacement prior to the convening of the committee meeting.

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28 D. Only the Republican Party of Wisconsin shall be permitted to make an audio or video
29 recording of any committee proceedings.

30 31 **RULE 4: Parliamentary Authority**

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33 Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised (latest edition), shall be the rules of this convention so
34 far as they are applicable and not inconsistent with the Rules adopted.

35 36 **RULE 5: Motion to Table / Motion to Remove From Table**

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38 A. A motion to table is not debatable and requires two-thirds of the votes cast for adoption.

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40 B. A motion to remove from the table is not debatable and requires two-thirds of the votes
41 cast for adoption.

42 43 **RULE 6: Suspension of the Rules**

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45 A motion to suspend the Convention Rules shall be in order only when authorized by a majority
46 of voting delegates from the offeror's county and seconded by the majority vote of voting

1 delegates present from at least two delegations, each from a Congressional District different from
2 each other and the district from which the motion has been made. After a motion to suspend has
3 been placed before the convention, it shall be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the votes cast.
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5 **RULE 7: Recess for Securing Seconds**

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7 Upon demand, a five (5) minute recess shall be granted by the Chairman for the purpose of
8 securing seconds for a motion made.
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10 **RULE 8: Time Limits**

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12 A voting delegate will not be recognized to speak except upon the request of their county
13 chairman or vice chairman or designated alternate. Debate on any given motion shall be limited
14 to a total of ten (10) minutes in favor and a total of ten (10) minutes in opposition. No voting
15 delegate shall speak more than twice upon the same question or longer than two (2) minutes on
16 the first occasion or one (1) minute on the second occasion, unless by suspension of the
17 Convention Rules. No voting delegate shall speak a second time on a given question unless all
18 others who wish to speak on said question have had the opportunity to do so within the time
19 frame outlined above.
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21 **RULE 9: Convention Committee Proceedings**

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- 23 A. The Chairman of each Convention Committee shall name a Parliamentarian who shall
24 advise the committee on matters relating to procedure.
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- 26 B. The following shall be established as the rules for debate at meetings of the Convention
27 Committees:
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- 29 1. A total of twenty (20) minutes shall be allowed to debate each motion that is
30 made and seconded. This time shall be split evenly between Committee members
31 wishing to speak in support and opposition of the motion to adopt. Each member
32 wishing to speak shall be limited to three minutes. The Parliamentarian of the
33 Committee shall record the time used and time remaining for both sides.
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 - 35 2. If an amendment is proposed to a motion to adopt, the 20 minutes for debate
36 does not apply to ensuing debate on the amendment. Instead, Committee
37 members wishing to speak in support and opposition of the amendment shall
38 each receive three minutes to speak. Again, a motion to extend the time for
39 debate is allowable.
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 - 41 3. Incidental motions (requests and inquiries) shall not apply to the time established
42 for debate.
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RULE 10: Convention Resolutions, Floor Resolutions, and Floor Amendments

- A. Only those resolutions adopted by a District Caucus shall be considered by the State Resolutions Committee.
- B. Resolutions to be considered by the State Resolutions Committee shall express the sense of the Republican Party of Wisconsin on specific issues related to timely matters not covered by the State Party Platform as adopted by voting delegates at the previous State Convention in an even year. If a resolution being considered for adoption by the State Resolutions Committee doesn't meet these guidelines, any member can request it be ruled out of order by the Chairman or the Chairman may rule it out or of order. This ruling can be overturned by a simple majority vote of the members of the committee.
- C. All resolutions being introduced from the floor must be submitted to the Secretary in writing, with 576 copies, together with a duplicate written list of the county introducing the resolution and the counties seconding the resolution, by 10:00a.m. on the first day of convention. Floor resolutions shall be considered as in order if the resolution was presented to the State Resolutions Committee. The Permanent Chairman of the convention shall announce to the convention, prior to the Resolutions Committee report, the substance of any resolution(s) coming from the floor. The pages shall distribute eight copies of each resolution submitted from the floor to each county chairman at the start of the Resolutions Committee report. Those introducing the resolutions are responsible for arranging, paying, and making the copies. All resolutions submitted from the floor shall be considered after those submitted by the resolutions committee.
- D. All resolutions being introduced from the floor for Convention Resolutions and/or amendments to the State Party Platform, when the approval of the State Party Platform is an item on the Convention Agenda, must have the support of a majority of the voting delegates from the offeror's county, and be seconded by a majority vote of voting delegates present from at least four delegations, each from a Congressional district different from each other and the district from which the demand has been made.
- E. Amendments to resolutions shall not be entertained and any proposed amendments will be ruled out of order.
- F. Resolutions for which a roll call vote is called shall be held over until the end of the Resolutions Committee report and shall be taken up as a group. There may be a fifteen (15) minute recess for the purpose of balloting by convention voting delegates prior to the commencement of the balloting. The chairman of the convention shall declare the balloting closed at the completion of the recess and the commencement of the reporting of the votes by each county. Roll call under this Rule shall be the reporting of a county's vote to the Tellers Committee by a means designated by the chair. There is no required roll call of individual counties by the secretary of the party.
- G. Resolutions to be considered by the State Convention shall express the sense of the Republican Party of Wisconsin on specific issues related to timely matters not covered by

1 the State Party Platform as adopted by voting delegates at the previous State Convention
2 in an even year. Resolutions are not binding and cannot compel an agent of the
3 Republican Party of Wisconsin or an elected official to take a certain action.
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5 **RULE 11: Caucusing During Floor Sessions**

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7 No county delegation may leave the convention floor for the purpose of caucusing without
8 notification to the Convention Chairman or the Convention Secretary of the convention.
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10 **RULE 12: Convention Agenda**

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12 The convention shall follow the order of business as established by the Convention Committee
13 and as published in the convention program or as distributed in two copies to each county chair
14 and shall stay in continuous session until the business contained in the call for this convention
15 and required by the Constitution is complete. Motions to the contrary shall be out of order.
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17 **RULE 13: Alterations to the Agenda**

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19 The Convention Chairman may rearrange the “Order of Business” (agenda) without suspending
20 the rules.
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22 **RULE 14: Access to the Floor**

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24 No persons, except members of the several delegations and officers of the convention, shall be
25 admitted to the section of the hall apportioned to the voting delegates and alternates except for
26 the Sergeants-at-Arms, Pages, members of the news media and others authorized by the
27 Convention Arrangements Committee and/or who have been certified by the State Executive
28 Committee. In the years in which endorsements are considered, each candidate on the ballot for
29 endorsement or those properly nominated from the floor shall be entitled to have access to the
30 floor and to also have five (5) properly credentialed campaign representatives, who are not
31 voting delegates or alternates, on the floor. Each campaign shall provide a list to the Republican
32 Party of Wisconsin 96 hours prior to the convening of the State Convention.
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34 **RULE 15: Radio Communication Regulations**

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- 36 A. No candidate, voting delegate or other group or entity may use any wireless transmitter or
37 receiver that interferes with frequencies used by the Republican Party of Wisconsin.
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39 B. Speaking on cell phones shall be prohibited on the Convention floor, and cell phones and
40 all electronic devices must be kept silent during convention proceedings.
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42 **RULE 16: State Convention Endorsement**

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- 44 A. Endorsements shall be made by the Republican Party of Wisconsin in convention
45 assembled in years in which there is an election for the five state constitutional offices
46 and/or for the office of United States Senator. Only those candidates determined to be

1 viable by the State Executive Committee at a meeting prior to the convention shall be
2 considered for endorsement. In addition:

- 3 B. Candidates must be a member in good standing in their county's Republican Party
4 organization by the date of the current year's county caucus to be eligible for
5 consideration of endorsement.
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- 7 C. Each Republican candidate for U.S. Senate must be eligible for the office, must have
8 properly filed Federal Elections Commission Form 2, and must have filed a year-end
9 campaign finance report with the Federal Election Commission for the year immediately
10 preceding the state convention.
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- 12 D. Each Republican candidate for any of the five state constitutional offices must be eligible
13 for the office for which he or she has filed, must have properly filed the appropriate
14 forms with the Wisconsin Election Commission, and must have filed a year-end
15 campaign finance report with the Wisconsin Election Commission for the year
16 immediately preceding the state convention if required to do so.
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- 18 E. Nothing in Rule 16 (A), (B), (C) or (D) shall preclude the nomination from the
19 convention floor of any candidate eligible for the office for which he or she seeks
20 endorsement from the Party, although candidates nominated from the floor must also be
21 determined to be viable by the State Executive Committee at a special meeting prior to
22 the convening of the state convention. When notified by a potential candidate who will
23 be seeking nomination from the floor after the last meeting of the State Executive
24 Committee prior to the state convention, the State Executive Committee must meet prior
25 to the convening of the state convention to determine viability. All nominations for
26 endorsement being introduced from the floor must have the support of a majority of
27 voting delegates from the nominator's county and be seconded by a majority vote of
28 voting delegates present from at least two delegations, each from a Congressional district
29 different from each other and the district from which the demand has been made, and
30 must be submitted to the Secretary in writing, signed by all three (3) chairmen, or
31 alternates designated by the county or district chairman as specified in Rule 1 (C),
32 certifying that a vote of the respective delegations was conducted by 10:00 a.m. on the
33 day the nominations are first considered. A county may only nominate or second one
34 candidate for endorsement for the same position.
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- 36 F. Candidates who are determined to be viable by the State Executive Committee are
37 officially nominated under these rules and further nomination and seconding by voting
38 delegates during the state convention are not required.
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- 40 G. No delegate shall have the option to cast a vote of 'no endorsement' for any office. Any
41 such indication on the ballot shall render that ballot invalid.
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- 43 H. A candidate must receive a sixty percent supermajority of the votes cast by the counties
44 to obtain the endorsement of the Republican Party of Wisconsin.
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- 1 I. If there are two (2) candidates for any of the offices for which the convention may make
2 an endorsement, the convention shall conduct its balloting on endorsement for that office
3 in one (1) ballot only. If, after the completion of such balloting on endorsement, no
4 candidate receives a sixty percent supermajority of the votes cast by counties, the
5 Convention Chairman shall rule that the Republican Party of Wisconsin shall not endorse
6 a candidate for the office for which that balloting has been completed and the convention
7 shall take no further action on the endorsement of a candidate for that office.
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- 9 J. If there are three (3) or more nominated candidates for any of the offices for which the
10 convention may make an endorsement, multiple ballots may be cast by the convention on
11 endorsement for those offices in accordance with the following:
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- 13 1. If none of the nominated candidates receives a sixty percent supermajority of
14 votes cast by counties on any ballot, the nominated candidate receiving the fewest
15 number of votes plus all candidates receiving fewer than 20% of the county
16 allotted vote shall be dropped from consideration on the subsequent ballot and any
17 ballots that may be cast thereafter. A vote for any name that has been dropped
18 from consideration shall render that ballot invalid.
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- 20 2. If more than two candidates are on the ballot, and no candidate receives the
21 number of votes required for endorsement, but fewer than two candidates receive
22 20% of the vote, the two candidates receiving the most votes will be considered
23 on a subsequent ballot. Should there be a tie for the top positions, each of those
24 candidates shall advance.
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- 26 3. In the case where voting for endorsement of candidates for the offices there shall
27 be a maximum of three ballots cast. If no candidates receives a sixty percent
28 supermajority of the allotted strength, then there is no endorsement.
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- 30 4. At such time that only two (2) candidates remain, the Convention Chairman shall
31 invoke the rule at Rule 16 (I).
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- 33 K. If, at the close of any reporting of the votes by each county, a candidate for endorsement
34 has received a sixty percent supermajority of the votes cast, the Convention Chairman
35 shall announce the question to be: "Shall the endorsement of the candidate be made
36 unanimous?"
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- 38 L. Candidates seeking endorsement at the State Party Convention shall not be permitted to
39 provide services of value to voting delegates and alternates, including, but not limited to,
40 the provision of transportation, the purchase of lodging, and the payment of convention
41 registration fees or county party dues or payment of cash. Neither can a 3rd party
42 organization nor any other person provide such prohibited services or cash as listed
43 above. An exception to this shall be made for campaign staff and family members of the
44 candidate who are also voting delegates or alternates. Allowable expenditures that
45 candidates can make include break refreshments, hospitality room refreshments, and low-
46 value promotional items. The Endorsement Committee shall have the responsibility to

1 ensure candidates are aware of this policy and adhere to it. A finding of the Endorsement
2 Committee that a candidate has violated this policy could result in action by the State
3 Executive Committee to remove the candidate from endorsement consideration.
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5 **RULE 17: Balloting on Endorsements**

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- 7 A. All voting shall be done by secret, printed ballots certified by the Rules Committee.
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9 B. Only properly qualified and credentialed voting delegates and alternates, as certified by
10 the Credentials Committee, shall be eligible to cast ballots. The voting rights of each
11 voting delegate and alternate shall be determined by such voting delegate's or voting
12 alternate's county.
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14 C. The validity of any ballot cast as provided at Rule 17 (A) and (B) shall be determined in
15 accordance with the following:
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17 1. Only ballots marked with a reasonable denotation of a vote for any candidate
18 nominated as provided at Rule 16 shall be valid.
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20 2. Any and all ballots marked with a denotation of a vote for any person other than a
21 candidate nominated as provided at Rule 16, or that contain any marking,
22 inscription, declaration or expression that does not reasonably denote a vote for a
23 candidate nominated as provided at Rule 16, or that contain no marking shall be
24 invalid. An invalid ballot shall be marked as such across the reverse side of the
25 ballot by the chairman of the county delegation or his or her designated alternate
26 during the tally and recording of ballots as provided at Rule 17 (H). Invalid
27 ballots shall not be included in the tally and the total voting delegate allocation for
28 the county shall be divided by the number of valid ballots cast to determine the
29 outcome of the county's balloting. Only valid ballots cast shall determine who is
30 endorsed.
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32 3. The Tellers Committee shall have final authority to determine the validity of any
33 ballot cast.
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35 D. The chairman of the Tellers Committee shall certify to the chairman of the convention
36 prior to the commencement of business on the first day of the convention that the
37 appropriate number of teller envelopes has been prepared for balloting on endorsement
38 for each office for which there are nominees for endorsement as described at Rule 17 (A),
39 (B), and (C).
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41 E. The chairman of the convention, prior to the balloting, shall instruct the Tellers
42 Committee to distribute the teller envelopes to the chairmen of each county delegation or
43 his or her designated alternate. A county's ballot package shall include:
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45 1. The number of ballots equal to the number of voting delegates registered at the
46 convention by the Credentials Committee.

2. A vote certification document that sets forth (a) the number of raw votes cast for each nominated candidate and the number of raw votes cast invalidly pursuant to Rule 17 (C) (2), and (b) a certification by the county chairman or his or her designated alternate that the numbers of raw votes recorded for each candidate and the numbers of raw votes cast invalidly pursuant to Rule 17 (C) (2) are true and accurate, and (c) a certification of the same by the chairman of the Tellers Committee.
 3. An Envelope to be used to return any unused ballots to the Tellers Committee.
 4. A tally sheet to be kept by the county chairman for his or her use during the reporting of the votes by each county.
- F. The county chairman or his or her designated alternate shall upon receipt of the packet immediately distribute one ballot to each voting delegate or alternate entitled to vote, one at a time, checking the person's credentials. The county chairman or his or her designated alternate may appoint a county tellers' committee to assist with ballot distribution in the same manner. County Tellers, if any, shall wear visually designated vests.
- G. The chairman of the convention shall call for the vote on endorsement for the current office under consideration. There may be a fifteen (15) minute recess for the purpose of balloting by convention voting delegates prior to the commencement of the balloting. The chairman of the convention shall declare the balloting closed at the completion of the recess and the commencement of the reporting of the votes by each county. Roll call under this Rule shall be the reporting of a county's vote to the Tellers Committee by a means designated by the chair. There is no required roll call of individual counties by the secretary of the party.
- H. Each county chairman or his or her designated alternate(s) shall tally the votes cast by voting delegates and alternates in his or her county. The tally shall be done in full view of the delegation and candidates subject to that ballot are each entitled to an observer. The tally shall be recorded on the vote certification document referenced in Rule 17 (E) (2) and the county chairman or his or her designate alternate shall sign it. The vote certification document, the used ballots (both valid and invalid), and the envelope containing any unused ballots shall be placed in the teller envelope and returned to the Tellers Committee.
- I. The same procedure shall be followed on any subsequent ballots, in the event that more than one (1) ballot is required as provided by Rule 16 (J).
- J. The Tellers Committee shall consist of three (3) persons from each congressional district appointed by the district chairman from such district before the commencement of the state convention. In addition, each congressional district with at least ten (10) counties shall appoint one (1) additional person to the Tellers Committee, and add an additional one (1) person for every additional five (5) counties. Tellers shall be prohibited from

1 wearing any endorsement material for any candidate seeking endorsement. They shall
2 also be prohibited from endorsing and/or campaigning for any candidate seeking
3 endorsement while performing this role. The state chairman shall appoint the chairman of
4 the Tellers Committee before the commencement of the state convention. The Tellers
5 Committee members shall wear visually designated vests and have a name tag
6 designating their appointment and District. The Tellers Committee members will assist
7 counties when requested to do so, observe, report any irregularities, and act on behalf of
8 the Chair of the Tellers Committee or Convention Chairman when so directed. Tellers
9 Committee members will also assist the Chairman of the Tellers Committee or the
10 convention chairman at their direction.
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12 K. While the votes are being tabulated for any given endorsement, the convention, at the
13 discretion of the convention chairman, may proceed with the nomination of candidates
14 for the next endorsement speeches by candidates for other offices or any other business
15 until such time that all endorsement votes are taken and the results of the endorsement
16 ballot are verified by the committee.
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18 L. Following certification by the Tellers Committee Chairman, proportional votes will be
19 tabulated electronically by RPW Staff and electronically transmitted and prominently
20 displayed on the Convention Floor.
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22 M. Each candidate on the endorsement ballot currently under consideration is entitled to
23 have one (1) observer, who is one of the five properly credentialed campaign
24 representatives, in the area designated for the Tellers Committee while the endorsement
25 balloting is being verified. Electronic transmission or recording shall be prohibited in the
26 area designated for the Tellers Committee.
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28 N. The convention chairman may change the order in which endorsements are considered
29 take up endorsements for which there is only one candidate under consideration so that a
30 single reporting of the votes by each county vote can be taken for all of those candidates
31 together.
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33 **RULE 18: Time Limits on Endorsement**

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35 A. Prior to the endorsement votes for the office for which they have been nominated,
36 speeches by candidates, nominating speeches, seconding speeches, videos, or other
37 demonstrations on behalf of candidates shall be limited to a combined twelve (12)
38 minutes for candidates for Governor and U.S. Senator, eight (8) minutes for Lt.
39 Governor, and six (6) minutes for other state constitutional offices. Nominating speeches,
40 seconding speeches, videos, or other floor demonstrations are allowed, but not required.
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42 B. Acceptance speeches by the endorsed candidates shall be limited to three (3) minutes for
43 all candidates.
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45 C. Candidates on the certified ballot shall speak in an order determined by lot.
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- 1 D. The Convention Chairman or Sergeant-at-Arms shall strictly enforce all time limits in
2 Rule 18.

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4 **RULE 19: RPW Constitution**
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6 These rules shall not be in conflict with the Constitution of the Republican Party of Wisconsin.
7 In the event of a conflict, the Constitution of the Republican Party of Wisconsin shall supersede
8 these rules.
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10 **RULE 20: Credentials**
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- 12 A. In accordance with Article VIII, Section 4 of the Constitution of the Republican Party of
13 Wisconsin, “the members in good standing at the County Caucus may authorize the
14 County Chairman to substitute voting delegates after the County Caucus if the County
15 Chairman certified in writing that the added voting delegate is a member in good standing
16 of that County and the deleted voting delegate, if any, has no objection to the deletion.
17 No substitutions shall be allowed after the last meeting of the Credentials Committee
18 prior to the convening of the convention.” As further stated in Article VIII, Section 4 (b),
19 “only members in good standing of the Republican organization of each County at the
20 time of such County Caucus shall be eligible to vote in such County Caucus,
21 Congressional District Caucus, and the State Convention.”
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23 B. The County Chairman or an alternate designated by the county or district chairman as
24 specified in Rule 1 (C), must use a form approved by the Credentials Committee in
25 making a substitution.
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27 C. Credentials challenges shall be considered by the Credentials Committee on an individual
28 basis. Challenges must be submitted in writing to the Republican Party of Wisconsin, the
29 Credentials Committee and the County Party Chairman no later than 96 hours prior to the
30 convening of the State Convention and must state the basis of the challenge and include
31 any evidence to substantiate the challenge. Challenges will be heard and decided at the
32 last meeting of the Credentials Committee prior to the convening of the State Convention.
33 Challenges can only be filed by a member in good standing from the county for which a
34 challenge is being filed.
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36 **RULE 21: Campaign Signage and Literature**
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38 Prior to the start of a Convention in years in which there is an election for the five state
39 constitutional offices and/or for the office of United States Senator, all challenger and incumbent
40 campaigns will be allotted equal opportunity to display a limited amount of campaign signs,
41 literature, and other collateral. All content must abide by pertinent campaign finance and election
42 law and venue specific requirements, including but not limited to legal disclaimers and special
43 adhesion standards. All campaigns will be allowed 60 minutes access to the Convention Hall at a
44 time specified by RPW Staff. During this time, campaigns will be permitted to display campaign
45 signs and distribute campaign literature or collateral to voting delegate seating area. Campaigns
46 will be allowed to display a maximum of forty (40) 13”x18” campaign signs and/or two (2)

1 larger campaign signs with a maximum size allowed of 4'x8'. Should any issues or concerns
2 arise regarding content of collateral, express authority is granted to the RPW Executive Director
3 to remove said collateral.
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5 **RULE 22: Election of National Committeeman and National Committeewoman**
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- 7 A. A National Committeeman and National Committeewoman shall be elected by the
8 Republican Party of Wisconsin, in convention assembled, in the same years as a National
9 Convention is held.
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- 11 B. Those wishing to seek election as National Committeeman or National Committeewoman
12 must submit a nomination form, provided by the Republican Party of Wisconsin, to the State
13 Convention Secretary, no later than one hour after the convening of the State Convention.
14 Said form shall include the name of the candidate, a signed statement of eligibility, and a
15 nomination and second from two county Republican Party organizations, from different
16 congressional districts, signed by the County Chairman and with the support of a majority of
17 the delegates from that county present at the convention.
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- 19 C. Candidates must be a member in good standing in their county's Republican Party
20 organization by the date of the current year's county caucus to be eligible for election.
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- 22 D. Prior to each election being conducted, speeches by candidates, nominating speeches,
23 seconding speeches, videos, or other demonstrations on behalf of candidates shall be limited
24 to a combined eight (8) minutes. Nominating speeches, seconding speeches, videos, or other
25 floor demonstrations are allowed, but not required. Candidates on the certified ballot shall
26 speak in an order determined by lot. In addition, acceptance speeches by the winning
27 candidates shall be limited to three (3) minutes. The Convention Chairman or Sergeant-at-
28 Arms shall strictly enforce all time limits.
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- 30 E. In the event either position is uncontested, the election shall occur by voice vote. In the
31 event more than one candidate for either position is nominated, the election will be
32 conducted in accordance with this rule.
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- 34 F. In a contested race, a candidate must receive a simple majority (50% plus one) of the
35 proportional votes cast by the counties to be declared the winner.
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- 37 G. If there are two (2) candidates for either of the offices, the convention shall conduct its
38 balloting on endorsement for that office in one (1) ballot only.
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- 40 H. If there are three (3) or more nominated candidates for either of the offices, multiple ballots
41 for election may be cast by the convention, in accordance with the following:
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- 43 1. If none of the nominated candidates receive a simple majority of the proportional
44 votes cast by counties on any ballot, the nominated candidate receiving the fewest
45 number of votes shall be dropped from consideration on the subsequent ballot and

1 any ballots that may be cast thereafter. A vote for any name that has been dropped
2 from consideration shall render that ballot invalid.

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4 2. If, at the close of any reporting of the votes by each county, a candidate wins a simple
5 majority of the proportional votes cast, the Convention Chairman shall announce that
6 candidate to have been elected.

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8 I. Balloting in contested elections shall be conducted in accordance with the procedures
9 outlined in Rule 17.

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11 J. Candidates seeking election as the National Committeeman or National Committeewoman at
12 the State Party Convention, shall not be permitted to provide services of value to voting
13 delegates and alternates, including, but not limited to, the provision of transportation, the
14 purchase of lodging, and the payment of convention registration fees or county party dues or
15 payment of cash. Neither can a 3rd party organization nor any other person provide such
16 prohibited services or cash as listed above. An exception to this shall be made for the family
17 members of the candidate who are also voting delegates or alternates. Allowable
18 expenditures that candidates can make include break refreshments, hospitality room
19 refreshments, and low-value promotional items. The Convention Rules Committee shall
20 have the responsibility to ensure candidates are aware of this policy and adhere to it. A
21 finding of the Convention Rules Committee that a candidate has violated this policy could
22 result in a recommendation by the Convention Rules Committee to the State Party
23 Convention to remove the candidate from endorsement consideration with a simple majority
24 of the proportional votes cast.

1 **2025 Republican Party of Wisconsin Proposed Resolutions**

2 *Recommended by the Resolutions Committee – 5/3/2025*

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4 **COMMENDATIONS**

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6 **2025-01 COMMENDATION OF PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP**

7 **WHEREAS**, President Donald J. Trump ran a truthful, honest, impactful campaign while
8 surviving two assassination attempts and winning the November 5, 2024, Presidential Election;
9 and,

10 **WHEREAS**, President Trump is actively demonstrating his commitment to fulfilling his
11 campaign promises by enthusiastically carrying out the Constitutional duties of the Office of the
12 President of the United States; and,

13 **WHEREAS**, President Trump has surrounded himself with serious, qualified people including
14 his Vice President JD Vance, his Cabinet choices, a brilliant entrepreneur in Elon Musk heading
15 up DOGE, and many other staff and advisors;

16 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin in convention
17 assembled thanks President Donald J. Trump for immediately and vigorously working to Make
18 America Great Again and fully supports his leadership of the United States of America.

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20 **2025-02 COMMENDATION OF REPUBLICAN LEADERS**

21 **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin has produced many influential Congressmen, Senators, Legislators,
22 Cabinet Members, and

23 **WHEREAS**, many individuals have excelled in defending Republican principles, including
24 Senator Ron Johnson, Secretary of Transportation Sean Duffy, Congressmen Scott Fitzgerald,
25 Bryan Steil, Tom Tiffany, Tony Wied, Derrick Van Orden, and Glenn Grothman, and various
26 local citizens making gains in elections;

27 **WHEREAS**, College Republicans and Young Republicans significantly increased their
28 presence, resulting in growth across UW College campuses statewide, and new Young
29 Republican chapters statewide;

30 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin formally
31 recognizes these individuals' exceptional contributions and achievements. Their dedication to
32 upholding Republican values has had a significant impact on local, state, and national politics.
33 We celebrate their commitment to public service and their ongoing efforts to promote the
34 principles that strengthen our party and our nation.

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36 **REPUBLICAN PARTY VALUES**

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38 **2025-03 RPW CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND ETHICAL CONDUCT POLICY**

39 **WHEREAS**, The Republican Party of Wisconsin (RPW) relies on the commitment, integrity,
40 and dedication of its leadership and members to advance the Party's principles, mission, and
41 objectives;

1 **WHEREAS**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin is a volunteer-driven organization, and all
2 Executive Committee Members serve in their roles to benefit the Party and its members without
3 financial gain or personal advantage; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the continued effectiveness of RPW depends on the trust and confidence of its
5 members;

6 **WHEREAS**, any perception that RPW State Executive Committee Members are acting in a
7 manner that benefits competing organizations (such as a 501(c)4) or personal interests rather than
8 the interests of RPW undermines this trust;

9 **WHEREAS**, it is essential that all RPW State Executive Committee Members remain fully
10 committed to RPW's success and ensure that no personal or external interests interfere with the
11 Party's mission or strategic goals;

12 **WHEREAS**, transparency is vital to preventing actions that could benefit outside interests to the
13 detriment of RPW;

14 **WHEREAS**, it is essential that any and all conflicts of interest held by an RPW State Executive
15 Committee Member, particularly concerning affiliations with our financial ties to competing
16 organizations, be identified before said member/members taking part in discussions, acting on
17 and/or voting on RPW issues;

18 **WHEREAS**, failure to adopt clear guidelines to address potential conflicts of interest and
19 unethical conduct leaves RPW vulnerable to division, mistrust, and inefficiencies that may
20 undermine RPW's ability to achieve its political and organizational goals;

21 **WHEREAS**, to protect the integrity of RPW and its leadership, the members of RPSCC
22 recognize that it is necessary to establish a Conflict-of-Interest Policy and Ethical Conduct
23 Policy applicable to RPW State Executive Committee members; and

24 **WHEREAS**, the members of RPSCC believe that implementing an RPW State
25 Executive Committee Member Conflict of Interest and Ethical Conduct Policy is essential to
26 preserve the integrity of the RPW and ensure that its leadership is held accountable for acting in
27 the best interests of the RPW and its members at all times;

28 **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in convention
29 assembled, in support of the Party's continued integrity and effectiveness, respectfully request
30 the immediate implementation of a comprehensive Conflict of Interest and Ethical Conduct
31 Policy for RPW State Executive Committee members which shall include the following key
32 principles:

33 1. Full Disclosure: All RPW State Executive Committee Members must disclose any
34 and all financial or fiduciary interests in competing organizations or entities that create a
35 conflict of interest.

36 2. Recusal from Conflicted Matters: All RPW State Executive Committee Members
37 with a conflict of interest must recuse themselves from discussions, deliberations, and
38 votes related to matters involving competing organizations in order to ensure decisions
39 are made in the best interests of RPW and its members.

40 3. Confidentiality and Protection of RPW Information: All RPW State Executive
41 Committee Members must protect RPW's resources, strategies, and sensitive information,
42 and must refrain from using these assets to benefit any competing organization.

4. **Prohibition of Unlawful Coordination:** The policy must prohibit State Executive Committee Members from engaging in unlawful coordination with any competing organization under applicable State and Federal laws to safeguard RPW from potential legal issues.

5. **Advocacy and Representation:** All RPW State Executive Committee Members' primary responsibility must be to RPW and RPW State Executive Committee members shall not advocate for or represent the interests of any competing organization while serving on the RPW State Executive Committee.

6. **Ethical Accountability:** The policy must include clear consequences for unethical behavior, such as censure, suspension, or removal from the RPW State Executive Committee, thereby ensuring members are held accountable for their actions.

7. Filing and Review of Complaints: A formal process for RPW members to file complaints against RPW State Executive Committee Members for violations of this policy should be established to ensure accountability and transparency within the leadership.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the RPW State Executive Committee immediately begin the process of implementing this Conflict of Interest and Ethical Conduct Policy, including the creation of required forms for disclosure and recusal, the establishment of procedures for handling complaints, and the development of disciplinary actions for violations.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Delegates of the RPW urges the RPW State Executive Committee to adopt and enforce this policy immediately, thereby ensuring that RPW's leadership remains accountable, ethical, and fully committed to the best interests of the Party, its members, and its stated goals.

ELECTION INTEGRITY

2025-04 OPPOSITION TO MONDAY BALLOT PROCESSING

WHEREAS, Currently many communities report their election results very late night and into the next day, and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin residents need to be sure the integrity of our elections is not jeopardized, and confidence restored in elections, and

WHEREAS, Election observers and workers are needed at all times to maintain the integrity of the election processes, and

WHEREAS, Often election observers and workers work for 18-hour days, and

WHEREAS, Two days of counting ballots will leave ballots unattended overnight, and

WHEREAS, It would be unreasonable to ask observers and workers to work two long days in a row, and

WHEREAS, It is difficult to recruit election observers and workers;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin asks that all communities utilizing Central Count have all election results from their communities tabulated and ready to report no later than 2 hours after voting closes, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That penalties be imposed for every hour the results are delayed in an escalating costs per hour, and

1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That penalties be imposed for every hour the results are
2 delayed in an escalating costs per hour, and
3 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That these penalties be larger than the costs of hiring more
4 election workers, and ballot tabulators would look minimal in comparison to the fine.

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6 **2025-05 SUPPORT FOR CLEAN AND ACCURATE VOTER LISTS**

7 **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin's confidence in election results is largely dependent on who is
8 allowed to vote; and,

9 **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin's current voter database has been proven to include millions of names
10 of individuals who are deceased, have moved, or are otherwise ineligible to vote; and,

11 **WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin Elections Commission has failed to maintain the accuracy of the
12 data, complete updates, perform adequate cross-checks, and leaves verification up to individual
13 municipal clerks, making information tracking largely unverifiable; and,

14 **WHEREAS**, WEC charges a \$12,500.00 fee for the full voter's list, making it essentially
15 inaccessible to most citizens, for something that should be public information; and,

16 **WHEREAS**, it is the responsibility of the Legislature to guarantee an election system that
17 ensures every vote cast has been cast by a verified, eligible voter, not the responsibility of voters
18 to prove fraud after an election;

19 **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in convention
20 assembled, calls on the Wisconsin Legislature to require procedures to ensure that the Registered
21 Voter List for the State of Wisconsin contain only the names of currently-eligible voters, and that
22 the list be made available to any citizen of Wisconsin, upon request, free of charge; and,

23 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in convention
24 assembled, urges that the Wisconsin Elections Commission, or other responsible agency, engage
25 in a comprehensive security review of the systems, actions, and controls used to access and
26 maintain the Registered Voter List.

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28 **2025-06 NO SAME-DAY VOTER REGISTRATION**

29 **WHEREAS**, Same-day registration makes it easier to commit fraud and promotes chaos at the
30 polls, and

31 **WHEREAS**, election officials do not have sufficient time to verify the accuracy of voter
32 registration information, and

33 **WHEREAS**, like Florida, other states have voter registration during early voting periods, but
34 may close voter registration a week before the election,

35 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that on this day, the Republican Party of Wisconsin in
36 convention assembled insists the WI Legislature draft and pass a bill that closes voter registration
37 at least one week prior to the election date in every election.

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39 **2025-07 NO DROP BOXES**

40 **WHEREAS**, drop boxes create the possibility of increased voter fraud, and

41 **WHEREAS**, drop boxes cannot be properly monitored for illegal absentee ballot drops, and

42 **WHEREAS**, before liberal Janet Protasiewicz was elected to the WI Supreme Court, the Courts
43 (correctly) ruled that Drop boxes were illegal, and

44 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in
45 convention assembled, calls upon our elected officials to draft language that makes it clear that
46 WI does not allow drop boxes.

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2 **2025-08 ELECTION INTEGRITY RESOLUTION TRANSPARENCY:**

3 **WHEREAS**, Elections are the most important way Wisconsinites can participate in the role they
4 would like the government to have in their lives; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin Election Law ensures the administration of elections is a public process
6 with the requirements of public notices and the welcoming of observers; and

7 **WHEREAS**, under Wisconsin Election Law, Observers are welcome to participate in the
8 Machine Test, In-Person Early Voting, Special Voting Deputies, Election at Central Counts or
9 Polling Sites, and Post Election Canvasses; and

10 **WHEREAS**, under Wisconsin Election Law, Observers must be within 3-8 feet of the
11 administration of the election, and

12 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in
13 convention assembled, calls for Governor Evers and the Wisconsin State Senate and Assembly to
14 protect Election Observers in each municipality as they participate in election processes.
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16 **2025-09 RURAL EARLY VOTING RESOLUTION**

17 **WHEREAS**, early voting in Wisconsin has been an important way for voters to receive, mark,
18 and return their ballots to their municipal clerk; and

19 **WHEREAS**, in-person early voting is a more secure way for voters to return their ballots early;
20 and

21 **WHEREAS**, larger cities have extensive in-person early voting availability compared to smaller
22 communities; and

23 **WHEREAS**, many clerks in smaller communities work part-time, limiting their availability
24 during Wisconsin's in-person early voting period and by-appointment in-person early voting
25 creates an additional barrier to voting access; and

26 **WHEREAS**, the disparity of access for in-person early voting between urban and rural areas
27 suppresses conservative voices that may not be able to vote on election day;

28 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in
29 convention assembled, That the Republican Party of Wisconsin continue to support efforts by
30 President Trump encouraging voters to cast in-person early ballots; and,

31 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Wisconsin State Legislature invests resources into
32 ensuring equal access to in-person, non-drobox early voting regardless of where Wisconsin
33 residents live.
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35 **2025-10 RESOLUTION TO BAN CENTRAL COUNTS, PROTECTING ELECTIONS**

36 **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin is viewed as the most politically "purple" state in the Country meaning
37 every election here is watched closely here; and

38 **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin's system of Election Administration is the MOST decentralized in the
39 Country, as municipal clerks take on major roles in each jurisdiction; and

40 **WHEREAS**, Municipalities have the power to decide many aspects of elections including how
41 to process absentee ballots; and

42 **WHEREAS**, 38 out of 1851 municipalities, opt to process and count absentee ballots at one
43 central location otherwise known as a "Central Count"; and

44 **WHEREAS**, Central Count Ballot Processing does not have to be reported like processing
45 ballots at your local polling place, leading to late night "dumps" of additional ballots leading to
46 concerns regarding the integrity of elections administered in Wisconsin; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Central Counts were created in the name of “efficiency” when errors, machine
2 malfunctions, and disputed ballots have led to election results published at any time up to 4:00
3 am the very next morning following election day; and

4 **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in convention
5 assembled, calls on Governor Tony Evers and the Wisconsin State Senate and Assembly to ban
6 the use of Central Counts to process and tabulate absentee ballots in Wisconsin, in the name of
7 safe, secure, and transparent elections.

8 9 **HEALTH, MEDICAL & GENDER ISSUES**

10 11 **2025-11 SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE**

12 **WHEREAS**, our founding fathers recognized life as an inalienable, individual right which the
13 Republican Party has reaffirmed in declaring abortion, infanticide, and euthanasia to be
14 violations of this sacred and basic human right; and

15 **WHEREAS**, the United States Supreme Court Dobbs vs. Jackson overturned Roe vs. Wade
16 returning local laws on abortion previously wrested from State and local governments, an issue
17 reserved to the States and the People by the Tenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United
18 States, and

19 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in
20 convention assembled, reaffirms its support for the rights of the unborn and for the struggle to
21 ensure that our government and our society protect and respect innocent human life in all its
22 forms, and

23 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the State of Wisconsin and local governments enforce
24 Wisconsin's 1849 Abortion Law which bans abortion; and

25 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin, in convention assembled:

- 26 A. Insists that our federal and state legislators reaffirm the sanctity of all human life and
27 reestablish legal protection of innocent human life from fertilization to natural death
28 through legislation and a human life amendment to both the state and federal
29 constitutions, and
- 30 B. Demands that our state legislators support and pass legislation allowing individuals
31 and/or institutions in the health care field to exempt themselves from any and all
32 abortion procedures, and
- 33 C. Demands the United States Congress, and the State Legislature pass legislation
34 banning research on aborted fetal tissue and all human cloning, and
- 35 D. Demands our federal and state governments do not directly or indirectly fund
36 abortions, and
- 37 E. Demands that the selling of baby body parts and/or fetal tissue be prohibited, and
- 38 F. Opposes the research and use of embryonic stem cells and aborted fetal tissue, and
- 39 G. Urges our legislators to mandate that abortion providers shall provide and ultrasound
40 and inform their patients seeking a 2nd or 3rd trimester abortion that their baby will
41 feel extreme pain, and
- 42 H. Opposes state funding for RU-486 and other emergency contraception, and requires
43 that no business should be forced to sell such products, and
- 44 I. Opposes the use of taxpayer money to fund foreign programs which promote abortion
45 and coerced sterilizations, and

- 1 J. Strongly opposes the practice of abortion at the University of Wisconsin hospital and
2 demands that our Republican leaders join the fight for life against any organization or
3 medical facility that attempts to perform abortions or use aborted fetal tissue in the
4 name of research, and
5 K. Urges Federal and State legislators to deny funding to facilities or organizations that
6 promote or perform assisted suicide or euthanasia and oppose efforts to legalize
7 assisted suicide and euthanasia, and
8 L. Urges passage of legislation to define the unborn baby as a legal person (Personhood)
9 from fertilization on. This will remove the question of abortion from the jurisdiction of
10 federal courts.
11 M. Opposes any government/employer mandate for medical health care decisions
12 including vaccines.
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14 **2025-12 TRANSGENDERISM**

15 **WHEREAS**, 99%-plus of the population does not have the physical traits that cause someone to
16 become transgender. 0.6% of the adult population has Gender Dysphoria
17 **WHEREAS**, gender dysphoria manifests in early childhood, according to a 2020 study at Cedars
18 Sinai in Los Angeles, there is no reason to incorporate it into the curriculum, inviting children to
19 choose their pronouns and confusing the 99% who do not have the condition; and
20 **WHEREAS**, the Human Rights Campaign and other LGBTQ+ advocacy groups ignore this
21 science and insist that someone with “boy parts” can become a girl and vice versa; and
22 **WHEREAS**, this type of ideology is meant to eliminate the nuclear family and divide our
23 society; and
24 **WHEREAS**, this ideology is being taught in many school districts all across our state and is
25 quickly on its way to fundamentally changing K through 12 education in Wisconsin; and
26 **WHEREAS**, transgender students, mostly males feeling like females, in many school districts
27 are allowed to participate in sports with the opposite gender, use the locker rooms and restrooms
28 of the opposite gender, and
29 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in
30 convention assembled, demands that all K-12 educational institutions, which receive any State
31 funding, be prohibited from teaching this type of ideology, (i.e., Transgenderism or its relative
32 concepts).
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34 **2025-13 BIOLOGICAL MALES (TRANSGENDER FEMALES) PROHIBITED FROM** 35 **COMPETING IN GIRL’S SPORTS**

36 **WHEREAS**, requiring biological females to share a locker-room, bathroom and shower with
37 biological males is embarrassing, degrading, disrespectful, abhorrent, and unsafe, and an affront
38 to the dignity and privacy of biological girls and women; and
39 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in
40 convention assembled, affirms the belief that transgender females should be prohibited from
41 competing against biological females in athletic competitions and sporting events.
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1 **EDUCATION ISSUES**

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3 **2025-14 SCHOOL CHOICE**

4 **WHEREAS**, all children, regardless of their zip code of residence or their parent's income,
5 deserve access to a quality education; and

6 **WHEREAS**, many children, especially those from low-income or minority families or children
7 with special needs, are trapped in failing schools, especially in Democrat-run urban areas; and

8 **WHEREAS**, parents have the fundamental right and responsibility to educate their children and
9 provide for their moral guidance, and

10 **WHEREAS**, vigorous competition from independent schools may stimulate government schools
11 to strive for and achieve excellence, if for no other reason than to ensure their own survival, and

12 **WHEREAS**, parental school choice programs cost the taxpayers significantly less than
13 government schools do, yet on the average, students in the school choice programs outperform
14 the students in public schools by all measurable criteria;

15 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Republican Party of Wisconsin in
16 convention assembled, That the Wisconsin school choice program be extended statewide and
17 that all income eligibility requirements be repealed, and all funding follow the student.
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19 **2025-15 BOLSTER CIVIC EDUCATION IN WISCONSIN SCHOOLS**

20 **WHEREAS**, Public awareness of the American form of government has declined over the past
21 60 years as civics education has been reduced in high school curricula; and

22 **WHEREAS**, the 1716 Commission offered a patriotic and historically accurate civic education
23 framework consistent with America's founding principles; and

24 **WHEREAS**, the source of American freedom derives directly from the United States
25 Constitution, it is imperative that its precepts and principles be understood by the public.

26 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in
27 convention assembled, requests that the WI Legislature shall move to reintroduce principled
28 civic education in Wisconsin Public Schools.
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30 **BASIC RIGHTS**

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32 **2025-16 RIGHT TO SELF-DEFENSE**

33 **WHEREAS**, red flag laws authorize the confiscation of firearms without due process of law
34 based on nothing more than unsubstantiated allegations that the owner might do something
35 dangerous to himself or someone else at some unspecified time in the future, and

36 **WHEREAS**, the victim of such gun confiscation can get his guns returned to him only if and
37 when he can persuade a court that he is not dangerous in the court's opinion; and

38 **WHEREAS**, laws requiring universal background checks make it difficult for gun owners to sell
39 or make gifts of guns to close family members or close friends, and

40 **WHEREAS**, requiring a permit to carry a concealed weapon is a burden on the exercise of the
41 right of self-defense, and

42 **WHEREAS**, red flag laws, laws requiring universal background checks, laws requiring permits
43 to carry concealed weapons, and most other gun control laws do nothing to protect public safety
44 but violate the spirit, and in most cases the letter of federal and state constitutional provisions
45 guaranteeing the right to keep and bear arms, and

1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Republican Party of Wisconsin in
2 convention assembled, That no red flag laws be passed, nor any laws requiring universal
3 background checks, nor any other laws restricting the right of self-defense or the right to keep
4 and bear arms (including accessories and ammunition), and
5 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the law requiring a permit to carry a concealed weapon
6 be repealed.

7 8 **2025-17 PRESERVATION OF LIBERTY**

9 **WHEREAS**, liberal politicians whipped up hysterical fear of the Wuhan coronavirus in order to
10 use the pandemic as an excuse for trampling all over the religious and civil liberties of the
11 people, and

12 **WHEREAS**, none of the “covid mitigation” measures forced on the people did any good, and
13 some of them did considerable harm;

14 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Republican Party of Wisconsin in
15 convention assembled, That the authority given to public health authorities to respond to
16 emergencies be limited in its exercise to a period of ten days unless extended by the legislature,
17 and

18 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That in no event shall public health authorities have the
19 authority to do any of the following: (a) suspend constitutional rights, (b) quarantine healthy
20 people, (c) close churches or other places of worship, (d) close private schools, (e) require
21 vaccinations or other medical treatments, (f) forbid people in nursing homes, assisted living
22 facilities, or other such facilities from having any visitors, (g) forbid any health care provider
23 from providing medical treatment that is within the scope of a health care provider’s license, nor
24 take punitive action against him for doing so, (h) require the wearing of masks, or (i) require
25 businesses, public or private to close.

26 27 **2025-18 THE USE OF REPUBLIC INSTEAD OF DEMOCRACY**

28 **WHEREAS**, the American form of government is popularly referred to as a “Democracy,” a
29 more accurate term would be “Republic;” and

30 **WHEREAS**, According to Oxford Languages, democracy involves control by the majority of its
31 members; however, this challenges the Electoral College, which was designed by the founders to
32 protect smaller states from the dominance of more populous ones; and

33 **WHEREAS**, a Republic is defined as “a state in which supreme power is held by the people and
34 their elected representatives....,” highlighting the individual’s sovereign authority, aligning with
35 Republican Party principles; and

36 **WHEREAS**, When the Founder, Ben Franklin was asked, what type of government had been
37 created, he replied, “a Republic, a representative Republic;” and

38 **WHEREAS**, The term Republic refers more to individual rights rather than “...the belief or
39 practice of social or economic rights.” According to Webster.

40 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin in convention
41 assembled, requests that all parties shall refer to our government as a “Republic” or
42 “representative Republic” rather than a “Democracy.”

1 **IMMIGRATION ISSUES**

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3 **2025-19 BIRTHRIGHT CITIZENSHIP**

4 **WHEREAS**, Section 1 of the Fourteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution states, in part:

5 “All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are
6 citizens of the United States,” and

7 **WHEREAS**, it is often claimed that this provision grants U.S. citizenship to children born in this
8 country of parents who are non-residents or illegal aliens, but

9 **WHEREAS**, public statements of the principal advocates of the Amendment clearly indicate
10 that they neither intended nor expected this result, and

11 **WHEREAS**, it was universally understood that Section 1 did not grant U.S. citizenship to
12 children born in this country of parents who were American Indians, although the Indian
13 Citizenship Act of 1924 did, and

14 **WHEREAS**, Section 5 of the Fourteenth Amendment states: “The Congress shall have power to
15 enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article”;

16 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Republican Party of Wisconsin in
17 convention assembled, That the Congress pass legislation clarifying that the Fourteenth
18 Amendment does not confer U.S. citizenship on children born to illegal or non-resident aliens.
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20 **LIMITED GOVERNMENT**

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22 **2025-20 REPEAL STATE MANDATES FOR COUNTY COMMITTEES FOUND IN WIS.**
23 **STAT 8.17.**

24 **WHEREAS**, since 1903, Wisconsin State Statute 8.17 specifically regulates the internal
25 structure and operations of county committees of the political parties in Wisconsin and,

26 **WHEREAS**, courts have ruled that states may not require county committees to follow state
27 statutes because the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution guarantees to political party
28 organizations the right to determine their own internal structures and processes and,

29 **WHEREAS**, the requirements found in Wis. Stat 8.17 from time to time create challenges for
30 the voluntary county committees by person(s) who may not understand Wis. Stat. 8.17 is in
31 contradiction with the U.S. Constitution and,

32 **WHEREAS**, as voluntary organizations, state political committees and county committees may
33 have their own constitutions and bylaws regulating the structure and operations of county
34 committees.

35 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Republican Party of Wisconsin in convention
36 assembled, call upon the Wisconsin State Legislature to repeal any and all language in Wis, Stat.
37 8.17 in which the state exercises any control over the internal structure, operations, and or
38 processes of county committees.
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40 **2025-21 LEGISLATIVE MAPS AND THE COURTS**

41 **WHEREAS**, a bare majority of the Wisconsin Supreme Court invalidated the legislative district
42 maps on specious grounds and arrogated itself the power to draw new legislative maps in
43 defiance of the requirement in Article IV, Section 3, of the Wisconsin Constitution that the maps
44 be drawn by the state legislature;

1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Republican Party of Wisconsin in
2 convention assembled, that the Wisconsin Constitution be amended to specifically provide that
3 neither the Wisconsin Supreme Court nor any other Wisconsin court has any power or authority
4 to redraw legislative district maps or to order anyone but the state legislature to do so.

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6 **2025-22 IMPROVE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT OF**
7 **ELK**

8 **WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) introduced Elk into the
9 State Forests of Western Wisconsin in 2016; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Elk are much larger animals than deer, graze in herds, are not affected by electric
11 fencing, and have caused considerable damage to agricultural cropland, non-agricultural crops,
12 fencing, and residential properties; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the DNR Elk Management Plan was not effective to contain elk within the
14 designated elk management zones, and inadequately assesses, mitigates, and compensates
15 landowners for elk damage; and

16 **WHEREAS**, the DNR agricultural crop damage reports do not include all elk damage because
17 only data from property enrolled in the DNR hunting access program is collected; and

18 **WHEREAS**, the DNR crop damage claim assessments are based on deer damage, and as a
19 result, have a relatively small \$10,000.00 damage claim limitation that is greatly exceeded by elk
20 damage, and do not include crop types and non-agricultural crop damage caused by elk; and

21 **WHEREAS**, organic farmers are especially impacted by elk damage because DNR crop damage
22 claims do not assess the loss of pasture, crop quality, and the higher value of organic crops; and

23 **WHEREAS**, property owners have lost hundreds of acres of farmland to Elk damage, resulting
24 in the loss of farmland rental income and the loss of agricultural property tax rates and increasing
25 their property taxes; and

26 **WHEREAS**, the DNR damage abatement measure of planting diversion crops to attract elk
27 away from agricultural crop lands only occurs in summer months, resulting in winter migration
28 from state lands into agricultural winter wheat fields; and

29 **WHEREAS**, the mandatory enrollment of farmland into the DNR public hunting program has
30 deterred farmer participation in DNR Elk Management and as a result, limits DNR ability to
31 adequately assess and mitigate elk movement from management zones; and

32 **WHEREAS**, County and municipal governments have no ability to geographically alter DNR
33 elk management zones to ensure high value farmland, residential, and commercial properties are
34 protected from elk damage.

35 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in
36 convention assembled, requests state legislators investigate DNR actions to address the negative
37 impact of elk on Western Wisconsin property owners and take any legislative action necessary to
38 improve DNR elk management; and

39 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in convention
40 assembled, calls on the Wisconsin Legislature and the Department of Natural Resources
41 expeditiously implement effective methods to mitigate elk damage and limit the monetary loss to
42 our citizens, and adequately compensate landowners and producers for losses; and

43 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in convention
44 assembled, calls on state legislators make the appropriate changes to state statute to enable
45 County and Municipal governments to alter elk management zone to better protect agricultural
46 farmland, residential, and commercial properties.

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2 **LAW ENFORCEMENT & PRISON REFORM**
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4 **2025-23 STOP THE UNFUNDED MANDATES FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF**
5 **CORRECTIONS**

6 **WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin Administrative Code, DOC 350.04, requires the construction and
7 remodeling of county jails to be approved by the state Department of Corrections to ensure all
8 state statutory requirements are met; and

9 **WHEREAS**, after the construction of county jails, the state Department of Corrections has used
10 annual jail inspections to impose changes to facilities that are not supported by state statutes and
11 not funded by state appropriations; and

12 **WHEREAS**, state jail inspectors have required jail medical treatment and examination rooms to
13 be expanded beyond their originally state approved designs without the statutory support or
14 funding to do so; and

15 **WHEREAS**, state jail inspectors have required the addition of jail programming staff and the
16 expansion of programming rooms beyond the original jail designs without the statutory support
17 or funding to do so; and

18 **WHEREAS**, state jail inspectors have added quarantine requirements to jail cells that are not
19 specified in state statute, which necessitate expensive facility redesign and expansion to
20 accomplish; and

21 **WHEREAS**, state jail inspectors have invoked 30-year replacement criteria for county jails that
22 significantly reduce the life expectancy of facilities designed to last over 50 years; and

23 **WHEREAS**, state jail inspectors have imposed the inmate classification requirements of the
24 federal Prison Rape Elimination Act before this act has been incorporated into state code,
25 thereby forcing counties to make costly process changes without the state or federal funding to
26 do so; and

27 **WHEREAS**, the actions of state jail inspectors to mandate facility changes that are not
28 supported by state statutory code and state funding, has placed many millions of dollars of
29 financial burden on the tax levy of multiple counties, has contributed to the early retirement of
30 statutorily acceptable facilities, and has unnecessarily increased the potential for civil litigation
31 against Counties.

32 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in
33 convention assembled, considers it inappropriate for the state Department of Corrections jail
34 inspectors to impose unfunded mandates that are not supported by state code, to facilities
35 previously approved by the department to meet code, and continue to meet code; and

36 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in convention
37 assembled, calls on our state legislators to investigate and stop the unfunded mandates being
38 imposed by the Department of Corrections inspections division or adopt the mandates into state
39 statute and fund their implementation as appropriate.
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41 **TAXES**
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43 **2025-24 TAXES**

44 **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin remains one of the top taxed states in the country; and

1 **WHEREAS**, high and punitive rates of taxation impede growth and discourage businesses from
2 doing business in Wisconsin, stifle economic growth, discourage innovation and
3 entrepreneurship, and diminish an individual's ability to realize the American dream; and
4 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in
5 convention assembled, believes taxation should be limited to fulfill only government's
6 constitutional responsibilities, making it possible to reduce spending to the point where the
7 federal income tax could be repealed altogether without replacing it with any other form of
8 taxation, and

9 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that we support the repeal of the Sixteenth Amendment to the
10 US Constitution to ensure that the progressive income tax is never reinstated in addition to the
11 new sales tax or flat tax.

12 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in convention
13 assembled, demands the State Legislature remove the 5 consecutive year requirement and make
14 the tax exemption available to an eligible Veteran or Surviving Spouse upon relocation to the
15 State of Wisconsin.

16 **NATIONAL SECURITY**

17 **2025-25 AMERICAN LAWS FOR AMERICAN COURTS**

18 **WHEREAS**, the United States of America embodies unique Judeo-Christian values of liberty
19 which do not exist in foreign legal systems, in particular Shariah Law, and

20 **WHEREAS**, foreign laws and doctrines, which are frequently at odds with US Constitutional
21 principles of equal protection and due process, are increasingly introduced into US court cases in
22 violation of the U.S. Constitution:

23 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in
24 convention assembled, opposes the consideration of foreign laws in US courts.

25 **ENERGY ISSUES**

26 **2025-26 OPPOSITION TO TAXPAYER FUNDED SOLAR FARMS**

27 **WHEREAS**, agriculture is the backbone of Wisconsin's economy, culture, and heritage, with
28 family farming serving as the cornerstone of rural communities across the heartland, and

29 **WHEREAS**, the expansion of industrial solar farms threatens the preservation of valuable
30 agricultural lands, which are essential for food production, local economies, and generational
31 family farming, and

32 **WHEREAS**, taxpayer-funded subsidies disproportionately favor green energy projects like solar
33 farms, creating an artificial market that incentivizes the sale or lease of prime farmland for
34 industrial energy development rather than agricultural purposes, and

35 **WHEREAS**, family farmers are already facing financial hardship due to rising costs, economic
36 uncertainties, and increasing regulatory burdens, making it unjust to prioritize corporate green
37 energy projects over their livelihoods, and

38 **WHEREAS**, utility companies unfairly benefit from government incentives and taxpayer-funded
39 subsidies that prioritize their profits over the preservation of family farming and agricultural
40 communities, and

1 **WHEREAS**, energy policy should encourage innovation and competition without sacrificing
2 agricultural integrity, property rights, or distorting the free market through excessive government
3 intervention and subsidies,

4 **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in convention
5 assembled, opposes the use of taxpayer-funded subsidies which prioritize industrial solar farming
6 projects over family farming and the agricultural backbone of our state;

7 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in convention
8 assembled, supports policies that protect agricultural lands, promote food security, and prioritize
9 the interests of family farmers over corporate energy conglomerates;

10 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Republican Party of Wisconsin in convention
11 assembled, calls on state and federal policymakers to adopt a balanced energy strategy that
12 respects property rights, sustains rural communities, and fosters energy innovation without
13 sacrificing Wisconsin's agricultural heritage.