A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR HEARINGS AND RATIFICATION OF THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, Women, who constitute over 51% of the population of North Carolina, continue to confront workplace discrimination; health care inequities; disparate rates of poverty; rape and domestic violence assaults; a lack of political parity; and

WHEREAS, Anti-discrimination state laws are not uniform and federal laws are not comprehensive; additionally, these laws can be repealed or reduced; and

WHEREAS, The Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) is needed to help correct systemic sex discrimination, since the US Constitution does not explicitly guarantee that all the rights that it protects are held equally by all citizens without regard to sex; and

WHEREAS, The ERA was proposed in 1923, passed by Congress in 1972 and ratified by 35 of the 38 states necessary to put it into the Constitution as of a June 30, 1982 time limit; and

WHEREAS, Irrespective of a time limit for ratification, the Nevada Legislature ratified the ERA with a bipartisan vote on March 22, 2017, becoming the thirty-sixth state to ratify the amendment; and WHEREAS, Congress can alter time limits in the proposing clauses of amendments, and the deadline for the ERA appeared only in the preamble and not in the text of the amendment; and

WHEREAS, Sixteen municipalities and/or counties across North Carolina have adopted resolutions of support for the ERA; and

WHEREAS, ERA bills were introduced into both chambers of the North Carolina General Assembly in 2015 and 2017; were assigned to Judiciary and/or Rules Committees, but were not considered in hearings; and

WHEREAS, The North Carolina Democratic Party Platform calls for a renewed effort to ratify the ERA; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the North Carolina Democratic Party will prioritize advocating that the General Assembly hold committee hearings upon ratification bills like those introduced in 2015 and 2017, and all Democrats will pursue ratification of the ERA to the US Constitution as proposed by Congress on March 22, 1972.

Submitted to the Harnett	County Democratic Party by	. 1	
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Informative Sources: ERA-NC Alliance era-nc.org; ERA equalrightsamendment.org; US Census Bureau census.gov/quickfacts/NC; ERA Coalition eracoalition.org; NCDP Platform Preamble tinyurl.com/ya3f5rfc

RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF NORTH CAROLINA ADOPTING EXPANSION OF MEDICIAID

WHEREAS, the Affordable Care Act allows for the expansion of Medicaid;

AND WHEREAS, the vast majority of the States in this Country have adopted Medicaid expansion;

AND WHEREAS, Medicaid expansion would help over 300,000.00 low income, disabled and senior citizens obtain coverage;

AND WHEREAS, Medicaid expansion would help hospitals, especially rural hospitals, cover the cost of services for indigent care;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the West Averasboro Precinct requests of the State of North Carolina that it expand Medicaid Coverage.

This the 3 day of March, 2019.

West Averasboro Precinct Chair

Attest to:

Secretary

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE RECOGNITION OF JIMMY PRINCE

Jimmy Prince was a long-time member of the Harnett County Democratic Party, past chair of Precinct 28, who died on Jan 16 2019.

WHEREAS, We want to honor his efforts over the many years;

WHEREAS, Jimmy Prince did much to promote and champion the Democratic Party's efforts in Harnett County;

WHEREAS, In his death it is important to recognize his efforts

RESOLVED, that the Harnett Democratic County Party will take a moment of silence at their next County meeting to remember Jimmy Prince.

Submitted to the Harnett County Democratic Party by Rebekah Brock, Harnett County Precinct 28 chair, Mar 28 2019.

Recognizing RH Ellington

Precinct: Black River

WHEREAS RH Ellington was a dedicated democrat and worked to promote the values and ideologies of the Democratic Party, the Harnett County Democratic Party wishes to honor his life which ended July 25, 2018.

Mr. Ellington served as Mayor of Angier from 2005 to 2015.

He was an active member of the Kiwanas Club of Angier and served as President. He was honored as Kiwanian Member of the Year.

He was an active member of his church where he served as a Deacon. He was a Sunday School Teacher for Adult Men. He was also a member of the Baptist Men's Club.

He served on the Board of Directors for Mid Carolina Council of Government.

He was a member of Harnett Forward Together.

He was a member of the Capitol Area Metropolitan Planning Organization.

He was instrumental in locating a new site for the Angier Elementary School and helped raise money for landscaping the campus.

In 2015 he was honored with the key to the town of Angier and Depot Square was renamed as R.H. Ellington grounds at Depot Square.

Be it resolved that R.H. Ellington be honored as a distinguished leader and this remembrance of him: "always leave things better than you found them."

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE RECOGNITION OF ROYCE COLLINS

Royce Collins was a long-time member of the Harnett County Democratic Party, who died on Mar 18 2019.

WHEREAS. We want to honor his efforts over the many years;

WHEREAS, Royce Collins did much to promote and champion the Democratic Party's efforts in Harnett County;

WHEREAS, In his death it is important to recognize his efforts

RESOLVED, that the Harnett Democratic County Party will take a moment of silence at their next County meeting to remember Royce Collins.

Submitted to the Harnett County Democratic Party by Rebekah Brock, Harnett County Precinct 28 chair, Mar 28 2019.

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE RECOGNITION OF JIMMY MCCORMICK AS RETIRING PRECINCT CHAIR

WHEREAS, Mr. Jimmy McCormick recently retired as the long-serving precinct chair of Barbecue Precinct.

WHEREAS, Jimmy McCormick has faithfully served the voters of Barbecue Precinct, Harnett County, and the state of North Carolina as a leader for the past 46 years.

WHEREAS, Mr. McCormick has been a loyal contributor to the Harnett County Democratic Party and the North Carolina Democratic Party by serving as a Precinct Chair, a County Convention Delegate and as an active civic leader within the Barbecue Precinct.

WHEREAS, Jimmy McCormick has supported the Harnett County Democratic Party and the North Carolina Democratic Party by recruiting candidates for public office, providing financial and other campaign support for Democratic candidates, providing advice and support to elected officials, and financially supporting both the Harnett County and the North Carolina Democratic Party.

WHEREAS, Mr. McCormick has demonstrated and promoted the core values of the Democratic Party faithfully over his 46 years of service.

RESOLVED, That the members of Barbecue Precinct and the Harnett County Democratic Party do recognize and honor Mr. Jimmy McCormick for his unwavering leadership and support.

Submitted to the Harnett County Democratic Party by John Chance, Barbecue Precinct, Harnett County, February 18, 2019

Improving Communication between general membership and the Executive Board of the Harnett County Democratic Party

Precinct: Black River

WHEREAS the Harnett County Democratic Party is concerned that all members have a voice in setting goals and priorities;

Therefore be it resolved that Harnett County adhere to the Plan of Organization and hold a minimum of three Executive Committee Meetings per year that is separate from monthly general meetings; and

Be it further resolved that prior to these meetings an agenda is issued to all members of the Executive Committee to give these representatives time to gather input from those they represent; and

Be it further resolved that at the start of every new year a survey is conducted of all members to determine what the general membership considers the most important issues that need attention throughout the year. This information can also be used to set the agendas for Executive Committee Meetings.