



## **Resolution Opposing Proposition 2**

WHEREAS, Proposition 2, a proposed amendment to the Texas Constitution which authorizes a county to finance the development or redevelopment of transportation or infrastructure in unproductive, undeveloped, or blighted areas in the county is to be decided by Texas voters on November 2, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Preamble of the Republican Party of Texas (RPT) Platform expresses the Party's belief that economic success depends upon free-market principles; and

WHEREAS, RPT Platform Plank #13 expresses the Party's support of the use of free-market solutions in providing utilities; and

WHEREAS, taxing citizens in order to revitalize blighted, unproductive areas violates those free-market principles: looking to government rather than citizens to make economic choices leads to a distortion in the market, a waste of resources, and the unjust over-taxation of citizens; and

WHEREAS, RPT Platform Plank #176 expresses the Party's opposition to the creation of management districts with the authority to impose taxes and bonded debt; and

WHEREAS, local debt in Texas has consistently grown at a concerning rate, and Texas now ranks second among the top ten most populous states in local debt per capita, second only to the liberal State of New York; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Republican party of Texas opposes the passage of Proposition 2 on the November 2, 2021 ballot; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that opposing Proposition 2 shall be a priority for the Republican Party of Texas for the November 2, 2021 election; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas shall devote appropriate resources to the development and execution of a campaign to inform Texas Republican voters of the importance of this proposition.