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69 Preamble

70 1. Affirming our belief in God, we still hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal,

that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty,

- and the Pursuit of Happiness. Throughout the world, people dare to dream of freedom and opportunity.
- 73 The Republican Party of Texas unequivocally defends that dream. We strive to preserve the freedom
- given to us by God, implemented by our Founding Fathers, and embodied in the Constitution. We
- 75 recognize that human nature is immutable. We further recognize that the traditional family is the strength
- of our nation. It is our solemn duty to protect innocent life and develop responsible citizens. We
- 77 understand that our economic success depends upon free market principles. If we fail to maintain our
- 78 sovereignty, we risk losing the freedom to live these ideals.
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80 Principles

We, the 2022 Republican Party of Texas, believe in this platform and expect our elected leaders to
 uphold these truths through acknowledgment and action. We believe in:

- (1) "The laws of nature and nature's God," and we support the strict adherence to the original
 language and intent of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitutions of the United
 States and of Texas.
- 4. (2) The sanctity of innocent human life, created in the image of God, which should be equally protected from fertilization to natural death.
- 88 5. (3) Preserving individual, Texan, and American sovereignty and freedom.
- 6. (4) Limiting government power to those items enumerated in the United States and TexasConstitutions.
- 91 **7.** (5) Personal accountability and responsibility.
- 92 8. (6) Self-sufficient families, founded on the traditional marriage of a natural man and a natural woman.
- 93 9. (7) Having an educated population, with parents having the freedom of choice for the education of
 94 their children.
- **10.** (8) The inalienable right of all people to defend themselves and their property.
- 96 **11.** (9) A free enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies.
- 97 **12.** (10) Honoring all of those that serve and protect our freedom.

100 Constitutional Issues

101 (Preservation of Constitution)

102 13. <u>Keep Oath to the Constitution</u>: We call for all who swear the oath to support and maintain the
 103 limitations and clear meaning of the United States Constitution.

104 14. <u>Preservation of our Constitutional Republic</u>: We support our constitutional republican form of
 105 government as set forth in the Texas Bill of Rights. We further resolve that all amendments to the Texas
 106 Constitution require a majority of the voters in at least 191 counties (three-fourths), instead of a simple
 107 majority of the votes.

108 15. Enforce the Constitution Article 4 Section 4: The sovereignty of this state requires the protections
 afforded under Article 4, Section 4, of the Constitution, and any failing thereof authorizes the Governor of
 this State or the Legislature to declare an invasion, which shall be met with the full force of this State.

111 16. <u>No Foreign Law</u>: No foreign law, contract, or judgment arising from any foreign state whose laws
 violate fundamental constitutional rights shall be honored or enforced by any Texas court.

17. <u>Judicial Overreach</u>: All attempts by the judiciary to rule in areas not constitutionally granted to the judiciary, including abuses of the "commerce clause," the "general welfare clause," and the "supremacy clause," should be nullified. Any federal enforcement activities that do occur in Texas should be conducted under the authority of the county sheriff. (SCOTUS Ruling in 1997 *Mack-Prinz v. US*)

117 18. Limiting the Power of the Supreme Court: Judges don't define the roles of judges; Article 3, Section
2, defines the roles of judges. We support Congress's limiting the power of the Supreme Court by invoking
Article 3, Section 2, Clause 2, by "legislating exceptions and creating regulations" to limit the cases for

120 which the Supreme Court has jurisdiction.

- 121 **19.** <u>Amendments to the US Constitution</u>: We:
- a. Support term limits of twelve years for federal and state offices.
 b. Oppose "packing" (or enlarging) the United States Supreme Court and supports the pending "Keep Nine Amendment" as filed in the United States Senate and the House of Representatives with bipartisan support.
 - c. Support repeal of the 16th Amendment (Federal Income Tax)
- d. Support restoring state sovereignty with the repeal of the 17th Amendment of the United
 States Constitution and the appointment of United States Senators by the state legislatures.
- e. Support a change to the 14th Amendment to eliminate "birth tourism" or anchor babies by
 granting citizenship only to those with at least one biological parent who is a US citizen.
- 131f.Support a constitutional amendment making English the official language of the United132States, and one of no more than two official languages of all US territories and other133possessions.

20. <u>Executive Orders</u>: We oppose all executive orders, whether by a president, a governor, or a local official, that go beyond administration of executive authority and have the effect of legislation. We call upon the Texas Legislature or local lawmakers to nullify such executive orders.

137 21. Limiting Overreaching State Government: We recognize the sovereignty of this state, and its citizenry

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has been imperiled and threatened by the ongoing overreach of state elected officials and agencies. We
 therefore call for the enforcement of Article 2 of the Texas Constitution and restoration of our liberty by the
 following:

- 140 following:
- a. Repeal and replace Texas Code 418.b. No form of government shall ever again
- b. No form of government shall ever again implement mass lockdowns on the people, ourbusinesses, and our churches.
- 144 c. We oppose funding or implementation of any form of contact tracing.
- 145d. The State Constitution must be changed to require the Legislature come to session after a
declared emergency lasting 30 days or more in five or more counties.
- e. The Texas Governor shall no longer use executive orders to create public policy or law, and
 shall no longer have the power to close businesses or declare some as "essential" or "non-essential."
 - f. The Governor's authority during an emergency shall not be delegated.

22. <u>Dereliction of Duty</u>: The failure by a public official to discharge any duty shall be a violation of the terms of his or her oath of office, which shall constitute a crime, and upon conviction, this crime shall be punishable by a fine or imprisonment, depending on the nature of the offense. Any entity or person who acts under the color of federal or state law to deprive a Texan of the rights or privileges insured by the federal and state constitutions shall be liable to the injured parties for redress, including monetary damages and injunctive relief, notwithstanding any preexisting immunities.</u>

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158 (Citizen Rights)

159 23. <u>The Rights of a Sovereign People</u>: We support the historic concept, established by our nation's 160 founders, of limited civil government jurisdiction under the natural laws of God, and we oppose the 161 concept that the state is sovereign over the affairs of men, the family, and the church. We believe that 162 government properly exists by the consent of the governed and must be restrained from intruding into the 163 freedoms of its citizens. The function of government is not to grant rights, but to protect the inalienable, 164 God-given rights of life, liberty, property, and the pursuit of happiness of all, including the unborn.

Protecting Constitutional Rights Regarding Age: There should be a single age of majority upon
 which, when reached, all citizens will be guaranteed their rights, duties, and privileges.

167 25. <u>National Popular Vote</u>: The National Popular Vote Interstate Compact is a direct violation of Article 1,

Section 10, and Article 2, Section 1, of the Constitution and shall be rejected by Texas and all its officials.We support the Electoral College.

- 170 **26.** <u>Recall Elections</u>: We support the right to recall our elected officials.
- 171 27. <u>Habeas Corpus</u>: Any federal suspension of the writ of habeas corpus against a Texas citizen shall be
 172 violative of the tenth amendment, Texas sovereignty, sovereignty of the individual, and actionable by the
 173 state or the citizen.
- **28.** <u>Census</u>: In accordance with-the United States Constitution, we support an actual count of only United
 States citizens only, and we oppose Census Bureau estimates and the collection of all other data.

29. Equal Rights Amendment: We call upon the 88th Texas Legislature to adopt a resolution clarifying
 that the 1972 ratification by the 62nd Texas Legislature of the proposed Equal Rights Amendment to the
 United States Constitution was valid only through March 22, 1979.

- 179 **30.** <u>Parental Rights</u>: The rights of parents are foundational to Western society and shall be respected,
- 180 affirmed, and protected by the Texas Constitution and Texas Law. We call upon the Legislature to properly
- 181 recognize and affirm the fundamental right of parents to make all decisions regarding the upbringing and
- 182 control of their children in all aspects, especially with regard to the grievous violations of the Texas
- 183 education system. Any failure to recognize, protect, or honor these fundamental rights shall be actionable.
- 184 No parent exercising any of these fundamental rights shall be prosecuted as domestic terrorists.
- **31.** <u>Prayer, Bible, and Ten Commandments in Schools</u>: We support prayer, the Bible, and the Ten
 Commandments being returned to our schools, courthouses, and other government buildings.
- 187 **32.** <u>The Right to Keep and Bear Arms</u>: State and Federal Legislatures shall:
- 188 a. Repeal and/or nullify the National Firearms Act of 1934 and the Gun Control Act of 1968.
- b. Pass unrestricted Constitutional Carry by amending Article 1, Section 23, of the Texas
 Constitution by removing, "but the Legislature shall have power, by law, to regulate the
 wearing of arms, with a view to prevent crime."
 - c. Nullify any gun laws that violate the 2nd Amendment or rights of due process.
 - d. Support national reciprocity for gun ownership rights.
- 194 e. Recognize the right of License to Carry holders to carry anywhere off-duty or retired law
 195 enforcement can carry.
- 196 The above legislation shall not be construed as impinging on private property rights.
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198 (State Sovereignty)

33. <u>State Sovereignty</u>: Pursuant to Article 1, Section 1, of the Texas Constitution, the federal government
has impaired our right of local self-government. Therefore, federally mandated legislation that infringes
upon the 10th Amendment rights of Texas should be ignored, opposed, refused, and nullified. Texas
retains the right to secede from the United States, and the Texas Legislature should be called upon to
pass a referendum consistent thereto.

34. <u>State Electoral College</u>: The State Legislature shall cause to be enacted a State Constitutional
 Amendment creating an electoral college consisting of electors selected by the popular votes cast within
 each individual state senatorial district, who shall then elect all statewide office holders.

207 35. <u>Unfunded and Under-Funded Mandates</u>: Unfunded mandates and under-funded mandates are
 208 unacceptable. The State of Texas must fully fund, at a minimum, the following additional costs to local
 209 governments:

- 210 a. Indigent criminal defense.
- 211 b. Inmate healthcare in jails.
- c. Indigent burials and autopsies.
- 213 d. Veteran services offices.

214 36. Equal Protection for the Preborn: We urge lawmakers to enact legislation to abolish abortion by
 215 immediately securing the right to life and equal protection of the laws to all preborn children from the
 216 moment of fertilization, because abortion violates the US Constitution by denying such persons the equal
 217 protection of the law.

218 37. <u>Article V Convention of States</u>: The Texas Legislature shall extend the call for a Convention of States
 219 to limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government.

Business, Commerce and Transportation

- 222 (Energy and Environment)
- 223 **38.** <u>Utilities</u>: We encourage free-market solutions for providing utilities whenever possible.
- **39.** <u>Power Grid</u>: We urge that the Texas Legislature pass legislation to harden the Texas Electric Grid increasing capacity and being prepared for all hazards, including:

b. Physical attacks on substations and major high-voltage transformers.

- a. Cyberattacks on the grid's computerized command and control system.
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- c. Geomagnetic storms created by solar flares from the sun.
- d. Electromagnetic Pulse (EMP).
 - e. Extreme weather events, both cold and hot
- **40.** <u>Carbon Tax:</u> We oppose all efforts to classify carbon dioxide as a pollutant.

41. <u>Midland Not Moscow</u>: We fully support and encourages greater energy production in the Permian
Basin and throughout Texas, as well as the necessary policies and infrastructure investment in roads,
pipelines, and ports; to support Texas workers and help America's energy security instead of increasing
our reliance on foreign governments that do not benefit America or our allies.

- 42. Environment: We oppose environmentalism that obstructs legitimate business interests and private
 property use, including the regulatory taking of property by governmental agencies. We oppose the abuse
 of the Endangered Species Act to confiscate and limit the use of personal property and to infringe on a
 property owner's livelihood. We support the defunding of "climate justice" initiatives, the abolition of the
 Environmental Protection Agency, and repeal of the Endangered Species Act, and we oppose the
 "America the Beautiful" Initiative, also known as the 30 x 30 program.
- Flooding Mitigation, Hurricane, and Early Warning of Impending Disaster: We support the immediate
 study, implementation, and construction of projects that will:
- a. Address river, bayou, reservoir, and other flood threats to public and private property.
 b. Seek the input of those most likely to be affected by a casualty to public and private
- b. Seek the input of those most likely to be affected by a casualty to public and private
 property, to include infrastructure and facilities that affect national security.
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- c. Address the risk of storm or tidal surge that affects the critical industries along the Gulf
 Coast.
- 249d. Create an early warning system that will immediately alert residents to an impending flood,250wind, or casualty weather event.
- e. Establish regional flood control districts where necessary for counties to resolve joint flooding issues.
 - f. Provide funds to complete these projects from federal, state, and local funds.
- 254 g. Government boards responsible for flood mitigation shall be elected and not appointed.

Governments at all levels must work together to avoid the historical bent to push projects, safety, and implementation into the future. Projects must be of most urgent priority now in order to avoid further trauma; loss of life; loss of personal, government, and business wealth; and diminution of the tax base.

44. <u>Tidelands and Resources</u>: We assert that the State of Texas and all coastal states shall enjoy and
 maintain jurisdiction and control of their offshore waters up to the international water boundaries as well as

state inland waterways regarding all natural resources therein, and that the federal government shall not set limits on harvesting or taking natural resources therein, nor allow foreign entities to harvest or take such natural resources therein, including minerals, game, fisheries, and hydrocarbons. Also, we demand that no entity shall usurp Texas's original tideland boundaries.

45. <u>Water Resources</u>: While we support the decision by the Texas Supreme Court in preserving
individuals' rights to the groundwater under their property and their right to capture it, we support tying
surface rights of ownership to groundwater rights of ownership. We support regulations that may put limits
on a person's capture and use of groundwater, if such use will negatively impact adjoining owners' use of
their groundwater for private wells, their water supply, or agricultural use.

46. <u>Energy Production</u>: We support free-market solutions and immediate removal of government barriers
and direct subsidies to the production, transportation, reformulation, refining, and distribution of energy.
We oppose federally directed plans and proposals that favor renewable energy sources that may
constitute a nuisance, or otherwise have a substantially negative impact on neighboring landowners,
including harming property values of our neighborhoods, farms, and ranch areas.

47. Energy Innovation: Texas should take advantage of its independent grid and mines by encouraging
providers to build and operate traditional and next-generation nuclear power plants (such as molten salt
reactors), free of the red tape they would otherwise incur. To keep the federal government from interfering,
Texas should also ensure that the supply chain of components and fuel remains in-state and off federallyclaimed land.

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280 (Markets and Regulation)

48. <u>Municipal Preemption</u>: We encourage the Legislature to preempt local government efforts to interfere
with the State's sovereignty over business, employees, and property rights. This includes but is not limited
to burdensome regulations on short-term rentals, bags, sick leave, trees, and employee criminal
screening. We support preemption of city ordinances that dictate sick leave policies to private businesses.
This excludes the handling of emergency orders.

49. <u>Licensing</u>: We call upon the Texas Legislature to review all Texas Department of Licenses and
 Regulations (TDLR), business/professional licensing programs, and associated licensing for the purpose
 of abolishing or removing as many as reasonably possible and repealing those laws, rules, and
 regulations.

50. <u>Practice of Law</u>: We support allowing any person to sit for the Texas State Bar Exam regardless of
 educational background, as long as criminal and ethical background requirements are met. We oppose
 mandatory State Bar membership for Texas lawyers. We favor restricting those who may file grievances in
 the legal disciplinary process of Texas to those who have standing. Further, we support sanctions for
 those who weaponize and politicize the legal disciplinary process of Texas.

295 **51.** <u>Reduce Business Regulations</u>: We believe that the following businesses should be minimally
 296 regulated at all levels.

297 Federal Laws:

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- a. Repeal Minimum Wage Law and Prevailing Wage laws.
- 299 b. Repeal Dodd-Frank.
 - c. Repeal Sarbanes-Oxley.
- d. Repeal The Lacey Act.

 302 303 304 305 306 307 308 309 310 311 312 313 	 State Laws: a. Eliminate Blue laws. b. Eliminate the three-tier alcohol system (production, distribution, and retail). c. Allow auto manufacturers to sell directly to consumers. d. Business licensing. e. Professional licensing. f. Purchase of edible products from small farms. g. Use of hemp as an agricultural commodity. Local Municipal Laws: a. Minimum wage waws. b. Blue laws. c. Mandatory sick/family leave.
314 315 316	52. <u>Trade Agreements</u> : We support free trade as a necessary component of American capitalism and of the United States' influence in the world. But all trade agreements between the federal government and other nations should strictly adhere to the US Constitution and require approval by 2/3 of the Senate.
317 318	53. <u>Origin Labeling</u> : We urge that all food products entering the United States show not only the country of origin, but also the country that processed it and the country that packaged it.
319 320 321	54. <u>Predatory Towing</u> : We urge the Texas Legislature to enact legislation increasing the criminal penalties resulting from predatory towing and decreasing the state-allowed amount that a tower can charge, to disincentivize the practice of predatory towing.
322 323 324 325 326	55. <u>Municipal Permitting</u> : We call on the Texas Legislature to continue to streamline the building permitting process to ease burdens and costs on developers and consumers. We encourage the Legislature to monitor implementation of existing legislation that protects property development rights and close loopholes that cities are using to circumvent these laws. We oppose retroactive rulemaking and changing the rules on developments that have already been issued permits.
327 328 329	56. <u>Texas Resistance to the Great Reset</u> : Texas should continue to pass legislation needed to protect the citizens of Texas from corporate violation of their rights in the Great Reset/Environmental, Social, Governance (ESG) scheme as follows:
 330 331 332 333 334 335 336 337 338 339 340 341 342 343 344 	 a. Ban corporations who attempt to suppress funding for Texas industries from doing business with the State of Texas and its subdivisions. b. Make it illegal for banks and financial institutions operating in Texas to make lending decisions based on anything other than financial concerns. The model for such legislation should be the Fair Access to Financial Services rule promulgated by President Trump's Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, which was immediately suspended by the current occupant of the White House. c. Add penalties in Texas law for corporations operating in Texas who lead boycotts against Texas due to legislative action to protect the rights of Texans to decline vaccination, protect the unborn, stop the teaching of Critical Race Theory in schools, compete in sports with those of their own biological gender, or to protect children and juveniles against sexual organ mutilation and hormones and puberty blockers designed to fake transition from one gender to another. d. Add explicit protections for the natural right of Texans to keep and exchange and store their wealth in the mediums of exchange (including digital currency, gold and silver coin, bullion, wealth in the mediums of exchange (including digital currency, gold and silver coin, bullion, such as the thirt is the text.)
345 346	cash, and scrip) of choice to the Texas Bill of Rights. This will help stop global institutions and the federal government from forcing Texans to use the financial services and currency

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- 347 dictated by them.
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 a. Consider the expansion or use of existing Texas anti-trust law to prohibit collusion between
 woke corporations to cancel/drive others out of business."

57. <u>Patent Protection</u>: We support reversing state and federal legislation and court decisions that have
 damaged patent rights for Texas independent inventors and startups. This includes abolishing
 administrative tribunals and restoring injunctive relief, thus restoring the US patent system and driving

353 American back to leading the world technologically, economically, and militarily.

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355 (Retirement, Savings, Unions)

356 58. <u>Government Accountability</u>: We call upon the Texas Legislature to eliminate all special collective
 357 bargaining statutes for public employees and to hold all public servants accountable to taxpayers through
 358 existing civil statutes. We oppose any distribution of taxpayer dollars to unions.

359 **59.** <u>Social Security Privatization:</u> We support privatization of the Social Security system.

60. <u>Rural and Volunteer Fire Departments</u>: We urge Congress to overturn the rules of the United States
 Department of Labor restricting volunteerism by paid firefighters and emergency medical technician
 personnel and to support protections similar to those provided to National Guardsmen for service during
 declared emergencies.

61. Employee Stock Ownership Plans (ESOPs): Republicans support maximum economic opportunity for
all citizens and believe that legal limits on employee ownership of Texas firms by Employee Stock
Ownership Plan (ESOP) trusts should be eliminated. We also believe that changes in ownership from
private individuals to a majority ownership by an ESOP should not create a disadvantage when doing
business with the State of Texas or political subdivisions of the State. We believe the State of Texas
should encourage the creation of more ESOPs by making information easily available to businesses
located in Texas.

62. <u>Unions</u>: We support legislation requiring labor unions to obtain consent of the union member before
that member's dues can be used for political purposes. We oppose card check. Texas should prohibit
governmental entities from collecting dues for labor unions through deductions from public employee
paychecks. We also encourage the adoption of a National Right to Work Act.

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376 (Transportation)

63. <u>Freedom to Travel</u>: We oppose the Biden Infrastructure and Green Energy Plan that threatens our freedom to travel, imposes a federal mileage tax, as well as Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) or other social justice policies on Texas taxpayers and drivers. We oppose anti-car measures that punish those who choose to travel alone in their own personal vehicle, and oppose any measure to impose "road diet" mandates designed to shrink auto capacity and/or intentionally clog vehicle lanes to force deference to pedestrian, bike, and mass transit options (whose users do not pay gas tax). We urge the Texas Legislature to protect drivers from these California-style, anti-driver policies in Texas.

384 64. <u>Vehicle Taxes</u>: Vehicle registration should only be a one-time occurrence at the point of sale and
385 should only be based on the price actually paid on the vehicle or trailer. Only commercial vehicles should
386 be required to obtain a state safety inspection.

- 387 65. Toll Roads: We believe that tolls should come off the road when the debt is retired, and if the debt is 388 ever restructured or refinanced, the pay-off date needs to remain the same.
- 389 Public-private partnerships, toll authorities, and construction: 390
 - a. We oppose public-private partnerships, specifically regarding toll projects.
 - b. We oppose conversion of existing roads or lanes to toll roads.
 - c. We oppose the use of taxpayer money to subsidize any toll projects, and we call upon lawmakers to adequately fund our highways without hidden taxes, tolls, or raiding of emergency funds.
- 395 Toll administration and collections:
- 396 a. We urge the Legislature to pass a uniform toll collection and billing procedure that prohibits 397 excessive fines and fees, along with other pro-taxpayer reforms such as requiring agencies 398 to:
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- i. send out accurate bills prior to adding fines and fees.
- ii. immediately notify drivers if a payment card is not working.
- iii. allow payment plans to be set up prior to being put into collections.
- b. We call upon the Legislature to pass legislation to decriminalize the failure to pay tolls.

403 66. High Speed Rail: Taxpayer money should not fund or subsidize high speed rail, nor should eminent domain be used in the construction of high speed rail. 404

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(COVID Response) 406

407 67. COVID-19 Liability: Businesses shall not be held liable for any customer who frequents their business 408 and later is confirmed to test positive for COVID-19.

409 68. Jobs Are Essential: We urge the Texas State Legislature to adopt legislation that recognizes and 410 establishes all businesses and jobs as essential and a fundamental right. Governments do not have the 411 authority to determine what entities are essential during an emergency.

412 **69.** Government Mandates: No government entity may require a business, via financial or legal coercion, 413 to act as an enforcement arm of the state, such as the egregious action when local governments required 414 businesses to enforce mask mandates or be fined or closed.

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- (Privacy, Information Freedom, Internet) 416

417 70. Doxing and Swatting: We recommend the State Legislature consider modifying existing state law to 418 take into account the implications of doxing that results in harm to one's person or business, and Swatting, 419 a criminal harassment tactic of deceiving an emergency service into sending a police or emergency response team to another person's address. 420

421 71. Regulating the Internet: We oppose efforts to implement net-neutrality on internet service providers.

422 72. Personal Data Privacy: We demand that all rights to privacy that individuals have in their homes 423 should be extended to all digital data via the use of strong public key encryption technologies. We call 424 upon Texas to prohibit vendors of the State of Texas and its subdivisions from selling or sharing data 425 captured in providing services to Texans. We support laws limiting the ways in which internet providers, 426 electronic applications, websites, schools, government entities, and others may access the electronic 427 communications or documents of all Texans.

73. <u>Social Media Freedom</u>: We call on our Congressional Delegation to push for reform of Section 230 of
the Communications Decency Act to limit the ability of online social media platforms to censor the speech
of citizens in the new digital town square, which they currently control. We support Texas legislative efforts
such as House Bill 20 that afford Texas residents the power to sue Big Tech Companies for targeting and
censorship.

74. <u>Cyber Security Self-Defense</u>: We support "hack-backs", defined as counterattacks aimed at disabling
 or collecting evidence against a perpetrator, as a legitimate form of self-defense of persons and
 organizations in order to ensure their cyber security. The right to defend oneself in our current era must

- 436 be expanded in order to preserve the safety, property, and livelihood of Texans.
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438 Finance

439 (Spending Restraint)

75. <u>Government Spending and Taxation</u>: We in the Republican Party of Texas believe in the principles of constitutionally limited government based on federalist principles. To this end, we encourage our elected officials at all levels of government to work to reverse the current trend of expanding government and the growing tax and debt burdens placed on "We the People." Government spending is out of control at the federal, state, and local levels, and action is needed to reduce spending, and therefore taxation, at all levels.

76. <u>State Fiscal Restraint</u>: Amend the Texas Constitution and State statute with a stricter spending
limitation based on US Census population growth plus inflation, as measured by the Consumer Price
Index, and apply the new limit to Texas's total government budget. We call on the Texas State Legislature
to freeze state spending until wasteful programs have been eliminated, a sustainable size of government
has been restored, and substantive property tax relief has been provided to Texas citizens. Any budget
surplus should be applied to property tax relief.

452 77. Economic Stabilization Fund: We oppose the use of the Economic Stabilization Fund (Rainy Day
 453 Fund) to expand government. Use of the Economic Stabilization Fund should be limited to its intended
 454 purposes of preventing tax increases during economic downturns and responding to unforeseen disasters.

455 **78.** <u>Government Pensions</u>: The Texas Legislature shall enact new rules to begin to transition government
 456 pensions for public sector employees from a defined benefit pension to a defined contribution retirement
 457 plan similar to a 403(b).

458 **79.** <u>Gambling</u>: We oppose any expansion of gambling, including legalized casino gambling. We oppose 459 and call for a veto of any budget that relies on expansion of legalized gambling as a method of finance.

80. <u>Truth in Taxation</u>: We urge that taxes established for a particular purpose shall not be used for any
other purpose. Tax revenue derived from gasoline taxes and all other taxes/fees on our vehicles (including
vehicle sales tax) should only be used for road construction and maintenance, and not be diverted to any
other use, including mass transit, rail, restrictive lanes, and bicycle paths.

- 464 81. <u>Public Posting</u>: We support all government entities compiling and publicly posting their current debt,
 465 future obligations, financial statements, check registers, and all government contracts on their official
 466 websites.
- 467 **82.** <u>Repeal Taxes</u>: We support abolishing the following:

- 468 a. Estate tax (commonly known as the Death Tax).
- b. Inventory taxes.
- 470 c. Business franchise taxes.
 - d. Taxes on phone and internet services.
- 472 e. Affordable Care Act Home Sales Tax.

473 83. <u>Federal Taxes</u>: We support a flat tax or the replacement of the income tax with a consumption tax
474 that reduces the overall tax burden.

- 475 84. Let Texans Run Texas: The Texas Legislature should pass legislation that prohibits political
 476 subdivisions of Texas and state agencies from accepting federal funds that violate Texas law.
- **85.** <u>Impact Fees</u>: We support the use of impact fees by counties, municipalities and school districts to
- 478 ensure that new growth pays for the impact on governmental services without forcing the current residents479 to subsidize newcomers moving in.
- 480 **86.** <u>Higher Education Spending Control</u>: Freeze public spending on State higher education until waste
 481 and administrative costs are reduced.
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483 (School Finance and Property Taxation)

484 87. <u>Defund Big Government, Not the Police</u>: Any large city or county that cuts its police budget by more
 485 than 10 percent should be required to cut its property tax revenue by the same or greater percentage.

486 **88.** <u>Management Districts</u>: We oppose the creation of management or special purpose districts with the
 487 authority to impose taxes and bonded debt, and we oppose the use of eminent domain by these districts.

89. <u>Permanent School Fund</u>: We support saving the Permanent School Fund for future generations and oppose raiding it or using it as a source of additional funding for the state budget. We oppose any effort to remove State Board of Education authority over the Fund, whose constitutionally intended purpose is to fund SBOE-approved instructional materials.

492 90. <u>Axe the Property Tax</u>: We support replacing the property tax system for businesses and individuals
493 with an alternative other than the income tax and requiring voter approval to increase the overall tax
494 burden. We urge the Legislature to immediately develop and implement a transition plan that is a net tax
495 cut.

- 496 **91.** <u>Property Tax Relief:</u> We support these incremental steps toward the ultimate abolition of property tax:
- 497 a. Dedicate surpluses to buy down school district maintenance and operation property tax.
 - b. Replace the appraisal system with a system that values property at the purchase price.
 - c. We support requiring appraisal districts to publish the amount of property taxes and appraisals attributable to each rental unit.
 - d. Close the loophole called the "Unused Increment Rate," which allows taxing entities to bypass recently added limits to increases in property taxes.

92. <u>Bonds Create Bondage</u>: We urge the Texas Legislature to amend the Texas Election Code to require bond issues be approved by a 2/3 majority of those voting and only if 20% of all registered voters in the district cast ballots. Taxpayer standing must be established to allow taxpayers to hold government entities accountable.

507 93. <u>Administrative Bloat Is Not Transformative</u>: We call on Texas school administrators to deliver more

education for our dollars, instead of nonstop lobbying for more dollars for education. At a minimum, 65
 percent of revenue should be spent in the classroom. We oppose the underhanded strategy of making

510 cuts to visible frontline teaching positions instead of administrators and overhead.

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512 (Opposition to Market-Distorting Tax and Fiscal Subsidies)

513 94. Property Tax Abatements: We support repealing Tax Code Chapter 312 county and municipal

514 property tax abatements, and we oppose reintroducing school property tax abatements, formerly known as 515 Chapter 313.

95. <u>Bailouts and Subsidies</u>: We encourage government to divest its ownership of all businesses that should be run in the private sector. We oppose all bailouts of and subsidies to domestic and foreign government entities, states, and all businesses, public and private.

- 519 **96.** Eliminate Federal Activity: We call upon the federal government to stop the following:
- 520 a. Community Reinvestment Act.
 - b. Funding for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.
- 522c. Ownership of or insurance related to Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae),523Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac), and SLM Corporation (Sallie524Mae).

525 **97.** <u>Special Funds</u>: We urge the Texas Legislature to abolish the Special Events Trust Fund program, the 526 Texas Enterprise Fund, and the Moving Image Industry Incentive Program.

527 **98.** <u>Pro Stadiums</u>: Tax dollars should not be used to fund the building of stadiums for professional or semi-professional sports teams.

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530 (Transparency and Oversight)

531 99. End the Fed: We support abolishing the Federal Reserve. Until that is accomplished, we support
 532 additional accountability and transparency for the Federal Reserve System, including regular performance
 533 audits.

100. <u>Right to Use Cash and Cash Substitutes</u>: We support adding the following protection to the Texas Bill of Rights: The right of the people to own, hold, and use a mutually agreed upon medium of exchange, including cash, coin, bullion, digital currency, or scrip, when trading and contracting for goods and services shall not be infringed. No government shall prohibit or encumber the ownership or holding of any form or amount of money or other currency. This amendment shall not be construed to restrain the State of Texas from choosing the mediums of exchange it will accept or reject in payments to it.</u>

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541 Education

542 (Parents' Rights)

543 **101.** <u>School Choice</u>: Texas families should be empowered to choose from public, private, charter, or

homeschool options for their children's education, and the funding should follow the student. We also

- 545 support tax credits and exemptions for education and choice within the public school system.
- 546 **102.** No Regulation of Homeschooling or Private School Curriculum: We oppose any attempt to regulate
 547 homeschooling or the curriculum of private or religious schools.
- **103.** Parents Rights in Education: Parents are the primary educators and disciplinarians of their children, to which all other entities are inferior. The fundamental rights of parents to make decisions regarding the upbringing and control of their children in all aspects, but especially in all aspects of the Texas education system shall be recognized, affirmed, and protected by changes to the Texas Constitution, and Texas Law including codifying the protections currently existing in the Texas Family and Education Codes. No public service entity nor its agents, district personnel, community partners, or District Board of Trustees shall infringe upon these rights.
- 555 **104.** Enforcement of Parental Rights: Parents need more effective mechanisms to enforce their rights in 556 education. We support creation of impartial ombudsmen in both general education and special education. 557 We call on the legislature to establish to allow for appeals beyond the school district when parents file 558 grievances to protect their rights as well as a process to administer penalties to districts and their 559 personnel who violate those rights. Enforcements must include criminal, civil, and other enforcement 560 measures while giving the state and private citizens a right to sue outside of the local grievance process with expedited enforcement. We call for development of a Parent's Right to Know and Consent booklet 561 562 that contains pertinent state and federal law. The federal Pupil Protection Rights Amendment and the 563 Children's Internet Protection Act should be codified in Texas law and additional state protections for 564 students with disabilities. We call for reforms to the Disciplinary Alternative Education Program (DAEP) 565 placement to protect parents' rights and ensure that placement is reserved only for serious offenses.
- **105.** Sexual Education: We demand the State Legislature pass a law prohibiting the teaching of sex 566 567 education, sexual health, or sexual choice or identity in any public school in any grade whatsoever, or disseminating or permitting the dissemination by any party of any material regarding the same. All school 568 569 districts, individual schools, or charter schools are prohibited from contracting with or making any payment 570 to any third party for material concerning any of the above topics. Until this prohibition goes into effect. 571 sexual education shall only utilize sexual risk avoidance programs and promote abstinence outside of marriage. Before a student may be provided with human sexuality or family planning instruction, the 572 573 district must obtain the written consent of the student's parent or guardian [Opt-In status].
- 574 **106.** Inappropriate and/or Harmful Content: We request that the Texas Legislature pass legislation that requires Texas schools and libraries to filter inappropriate and/or harmful content, such as pornography, 575 576 for minors. Operators of adult sex entertainment businesses and venues, adult entertainment of any kind, 577 including Drag Queen Story Hour, shall not be part of educational programming in public schools, libraries, 578 or any other taxpayer-funded program for children. We support passage of a law more comprehensive 579 than the Florida law that prohibits instruction in sexual orientation and gender identity in public schools. 580 We advocate for those who violate any of the above to have their educator's certification revoked and be 581 prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law where appropriate.
- 582 107. <u>Healthcare in Public Schools</u>: Legislators shall prohibit reproductive healthcare services, including 583 counseling, referrals, and distribution of condoms and contraception through public schools. We support 584 parents' right to choose, without penalty, which medications are administered to their minor children. We 585 support informed consent of parents before any school-based mental health assessments or interventions 586 are performed.
- **108.** <u>Religious Freedom and Public Schools</u>: We urge school administrators and officials not to infringe on
 Texas school students' and staffs' rights to pray and engage in religious speech, individually or in groups,

on school property without government interference. We urge the Legislature to end censorship of 589 590 discussion of religion in our founding documents and encourage discussing those documents, including

591 the Bible as their basis. Students have the right to exhibit religious items on school property.

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(Curriculum) 593

109. Instructional Excellence: The educational system should focus on imparting essential academic 594 595 knowledge, understanding why Texas and America are exceptional and have positively contributed to our 596 world, and while doing so, also offer enrichment subjects that bless students' lives. Curriculum of 597 Instructional Excellence shall include the following:

- 598 a. Language arts, with phonics-based reading instruction, spelling, literature, and writing. 599
 - b. Civics, which includes passing the US Citizenship and Immigration Services test.
 - c. Mathematics, which has correct answers and focuses on how to arrive them.
- 601 d. Science.
- 602 e. Social Studies, including geography, economics, US and World History. Such instruction 603 should focus on American exceptionalism and the benefits of the free-enterprise system 604 and includes instruction on the consistent failures of socialism and communism.

605 We support education in the arts and music and building critical thinking skills, including logic, rhetoric, 606 and analytical sciences. We support quality vocational educational training that imparts skills needed by 607 local employers and leads to meaningful post-graduation employment.

608 **110.** Founding Documents in High School: We support a high school level curriculum (rather than 8th 609 grade level) for the study of American history (pre-1877) that is heavily weighted toward the study of 610 original founding documents, including the Declaration of Independence, the United States Constitution, 611 the Constitutional Convention, the Federalist Papers, and Founders' writings.

111. American Identity: We favor strengthening our common American identity, which includes the 612 613 contribution and assimilation of diverse racial and ethnic groups. We reject Critical Race Theory as a post-614 Marxist ideology that seeks to undermine the system of law and order itself and to reduce individuals to 615 their group identity alone. We support legislation to remove this ideology from government programs, 616 including education involving race, discrimination, and racial awareness. To facilitate the appreciation of 617 our American identity, the contrast between freedom and the tyrannical history of socialism/communism 618 throughout history must be taught. Students shall pledge allegiance to the United States and Texas flags daily to instill patriotism. Students have the right to display patriotic items on school property. Schools 619 620 should have the options to display the National Motto "In God We Trust."

621 **112.** Scientific Theories: We support objective teaching of scientific theories, such as life origins and 622 climate change. These shall be taught as challengeable scientific theories subject to change as new data 623 is produced. Teachers and students shall discuss the strengths and weaknesses of these theories openly, 624 without fear of retribution or discrimination of any kind.

625 113. National Core Curriculum: We oppose the use of national or international standards in the State of 626 Texas (i.e., International Baccalaureate, Common Core, TEKS Resource System (formerly CSCOPE), 627 United Nations Inclusion, National Sexuality Education Standards, and SIECUS, etc.) We also oppose the 628 modification of college entrance exams to reflect any national core philosophies. Any school district that 629 violates state law banning the use of a national core curriculum or standards shall lose all state funding 630 until said curricula or standards are removed and no longer utilized in classrooms.

114. Bilingual Education: We encourage non-English-speaking students to transition, via best practices, to 631

632 English within two years, allowing them to guickly assimilate and succeed in American society.

115. Oversight of Instructional Materials: All instructional materials paid for with state funds should be 633 634 vetted by the elected State Board of Education, and we oppose appropriation of state funds for 635 instructional content that has not been approved by the SBOE. This approval process must continue to 636 include public review, hearings, and the right to have factual errors corrected. We call on local districts to 637 hold public hearings before deciding which instructional materials they will use including supplemental materials and programs. We call for the repeal of the big tech corporate welfare bill (Senate Bill 6, 82nd 638 639 Legislature, 1st Called Session), which created a loophole around SBOE approval allowing progressive 640 propaganda and Common Core-based materials into the classroom.

641 116. Education on Humanity of the Preborn Child: Texas students should learn about the Humanity of the 642 Preborn Child, including life-affirming definitions of life and the study of life, life begins at fertilization, 643 milestones of fetal development at two-week gestational intervals, use of fetal baby models, witnessing of 644 a live ultrasound, viewing the Miracle of Life type video, and (for high school students) the contents of the 645 Woman's Right to Know booklet.

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(Governance) 647

117. Abolish Department of Education: Since education is not an enumerated power of the federal 648 649 government, we believe the Department of Education should be abolished, and the transfer of any of its functions to any other federal agency should be prohibited. 650

651 **118.** Elected SBOE: We believe that the SBOE should continue to be an elected body consisting of fifteen 652 members. Their responsibilities must include:

- 653 a. Appointing the Commissioner of Education.
- b. Maintaining constitutional authority over the Permanent School Fund. 654
 - c. Maintaining sole authority over all curricula content.
 - d. The state adoption of all educational materials. This process must include public hearings.
 - e. Granting, revoking, or amending open enrollment school charters.
- 658 f. Teacher and administrator certification. We call for the abolition of the State Board for 659 Educator Certification.
- 660 The SBOE should be staffed out of general revenue.

119. School Security: We support passage of a statute, which permits local law enforcement to provide 661 662 handgun safety and proficiency training for all educators, and allows LTC (License to Carry) holders to carry a concealed firearm on the premises of Pre-K-12 schools for security and protection purposes. 663

120. School Safety: We call for the repeal or revision of Senate Bill 393 (2013). We call for mandatory 664 665 reporting to law enforcement of school children who have committed violent acts on school property.

666 **121.** School Boards: We believe locally-elected school boards have a duty to ensure that the education 667 provided reflects traditional Texas values and have purview over policy, curriculum, and budget. We oppose micromanagement guidelines, trainings, and governance policies that empower appointed 668 669 superintendents at the expense of elected school boards. We believe university regents should also play 670 an active role in the governance of their institutions and should not rubberstamp what university 671 chancellors and presidents propose.

122. Withdraw from Taxpayer-Funded Lobby Groups Like TASB: Local independent school districts 672 Table of Contents

- 673 should sever all ties with taxpayer funded lobby groups including the Texas Association of School Boards
- 674 (TASB), the Texas Association of School Administrators (TASA), and the Texas Association of Community
- 675 Schools (TACS). Required training now provided by groups like the above-named organizations would
- 676 instead be under the auspices of the State Board of Education, with funds appropriated for that purpose.
- 677 **123.** Enforcement of Open Meetings: We support requiring audio or video recording of closed sessions
 678 and allowing taxpayers to seek limited civil penalties for school trustees who violate the Texas Open
 679 Meetings Act. We believe an open meetings violation should be an affirmative defense to a charge or
 680 disrupting a public meeting.
- 681 **124.** <u>Gender Identity</u>: The official position of the Texas schools shall be that there are only two genders:
- biological male and biological female. We oppose transgender normalizing curriculum and pronoun use.
 We hold that biological men shall compete against other biological men and biological women shall
- 684 compete against other biological women in athletics in the public school system of Texas and at the 685 collegiate level.
- 686 **125.** <u>School Health Advisory Councils</u>: Until the legislature removes sex education from the curriculum of 687 public schools, the State of Texas should adopt changes to Texas Education Code 28.004 to:
- 688 a. Require every member of the School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) to be appointed by
 689 the Board of Trustees.
- b. Require at least 50% of the SHAC to be parents of students within the district, who are not
 related to district employees.
- 692c.Require at least 50% of the parent attendees to be present for business to be conducted693and be open to the public.
- 694 d. Require every school district to post:
- i. SHAC meeting minutes.
 - ii. Full and fair disclosure of the contents of the human sexuality instruction.
 - iii. Proposed changes to health education.
 - e. Close loopholes in order to prohibit contraception distribution and demonstration.
 - f. Expand the grievance process to cover the entire section of Texas Education Code 28.004.
- **126.** Foreign Charter Schools: Charter schools should have accountability and transparency to local parents, taxpayers, and the State of Texas, as do current public schools. We oppose public funding of charter schools that receive money from foreign entities. We urge the Texas Legislature to enact legislation that requires charter school operators and board members to be eligible Texas voters.
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705 (Higher Education)

- **127.** <u>College Tuition and Student Loan Reform</u>: College costs are out-of-control, and reform is urgently
 required, including the following:
- 708 a. We call for reasonable limits on public university tuition and student loan borrowing
 709 commensurate with fiscal responsibility and current earnings in the student's field of
 710 education
- 711b. We oppose mass cancellation of student loan obligations but support tax credits and712interest rate reductions to ease the burden on students deeply in debt.
- c. We support requiring universities to share the risk of guaranteeing student loans, and
 universities with multi-billion dollar endowments should guarantee their own student loans.
- 715 d. We oppose in-state tuition and financial aid for illegal aliens.

- e. We oppose Robin Hood schemes that raise tuition for some students to give to others.
 - 717 128. Fund and Support Western Civilization Instruction, Defund Political Correctness:
 - 718a. Like Hillsdale College, we agree that state universities "should value the merit of each719unique individual, rather than succumbing to the discriminatory trend of so-called social720justice and multicultural diversity, which judges individuals not as individuals, but as721members of a group which pits one group against other competing groups in divisive power722struggles."
 - b. We oppose any state formula funding or graduation requirements for divisive curricula
 inconsistent with the above, including Marxist, anti-American, Critical Race Theory,
 multiculturalism, or diversity-equity-inclusion courses.
 - c. We oppose using public funds for homosexuality, transgender, or diversity-equity-inclusion
 centers.
 - d. Public universities should be required to create a comprehensive program of instruction in
 Western Civilization, American Institutions, and free-market liberty principles, with centers
 and funding dedicated to that task.
 - e. Public universities should be required to comply with the above before tuition or stateappropriations are increased.

129. <u>Campus Speech</u>: We urge the Texas Legislature to recognize the rights of those on college
campuses to practice their faith and their right to free speech. We support withdrawal of public funding
from any college or university within this state that actively or passively discriminates or permits
discrimination against the free speech of either students or guest speakers. Student groups shall have the
unfettered right to elect their leaders, choose their members, and set their organization's mission, purpose,
and standard of conduct.

- **130.** <u>Tenure</u>: We support abolishing the system of tenure in academia and advocate replacing it with a
 merit-based system for teacher retention.
- **131.** Equal Access: All Texas students shall have equal access to all state-supported university
 admissions, grants, scholarships, and loans, based upon measurable academic criteria. We support the
 suspension of federal funding from universities that prohibit military recruitment on campus. We support
 allowing homeschool and private school students to compete as individuals in UIL academic competitions
 and be eligible for associated scholarships.
- **132.** <u>Medical Students' Religious Liberty</u>: All persons have the right of conscience and should be protected under Texas law if they conscientiously object to participate in practices that conflict with their moral or religious beliefs. This includes, but is not limited to, abortion, including any requirement for a medical resident or physician to perform an elective abortion on an Opt Out basis instead of an Opt In basis, the prescription for and dispensing of drugs with abortifacient potential, human cloning, embryonic stem cell research, eugenic screenings, genetic engineering, euthanasia, assisted suicide, harmful futile procedures, vaccines, and the withdrawal of nutrition and hydration.

754 Health and Human Services

755 (Mental Health)

133. <u>Caring for Citizens who Are Mentally Disabled</u>: We urge the Legislature to continue funding and
 operating all state-supported living centers for mentally disabled legal Texas residents, and to continually
 seek common sense improvements to increase efficiency.

759 **134.** <u>Mental Health</u>: We support parents' right to choose or reject, with prior written informed consent and 760 without penalty, each medication and mental health assessment or survey administered to their children.

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762 (Government-funded Health Programs)

135. <u>Parental Safeguard</u>: We support abolishing the Texas Child Mental Health Care Consortium, the
 trauma-informed care policy, school-based mental health providers, school-based or school-connected
 mental health interventions, and other public school programs that serve to expand access to minor.
 Legislators shall prohibit all reproductive healthcare services in public schools.

136. <u>Welfare Reform</u>: We support the abolition of all federal welfare programs, as they are not an
 appropriate role of the federal government. Until such time, welfare reform should encourage partnerships
 with faith-based institutions, community, and business organizations to assist individuals in need. We
 encourage welfare reform in the following areas:

771 a. Denying benefits to individuals who cannot prove citizenship. 772 b. Reforming welfare programs to require recipients to work, learn, and train to move toward 773 self-sufficiency. 774 c. Reforming welfare programs to require recipients to remain substance-abuse free in 775 exchange for temporary benefits not exceeding two years. 776 d. Requiring all welfare recipients to submit to random drug testing in order to receive benefits. e. Requiring that money provided through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program 777 (SNAP) be used only for nutritious foods consistent with those included under the WIC 778 program, and be released only with a photo ID of the approved user. 779 780 f. Implementing a non-monetary-based assistance program for providing supplemental food 781 benefits. 782 g. Removing prisoners from welfare rolls.

137. <u>Child Support Related to Welfare</u>: Mothers applying for government financial support, exempting rape
 victims, should provide the verifiable name and any known contact information of the birth father, which
 information shall be turned over to the State of Texas Attorney General's Office within 30 days for
 collection of child support.

138. Oversight of Disability Claims: We call for stronger and more stringent reviews of disability claims to
 ensure that assistance is provided only to those truly in need.

139. <u>Medicaid Reform</u>: We support Medicaid block grants to the states and returning Medicaid to its
 original purpose to be a temporary assistance program. We oppose any further expansion of Medicaid.

140. <u>Medicare Reform</u>: Medicare should have a non-penalized opt-out for those who have health
 insurance through their employer and continue to work.

141. Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act ("Obamacare"): We demand the immediate repeal of the
Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, which we believe to be unconstitutional.

795 **142.** Home and Community-Based Services: We call on the Texas Legislature to support Home and

Community-Based Services (HCBS) as a pro-life alternative, and as an alternative for children and adultswith disabilities.

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799 (Homosexuality and Gender Issues)

800 143. <u>Homosexuality</u>: Homosexuality is an abnormal lifestyle choice. We believe there should be no 801 granting of special legal entitlements or creation of special status for homosexual behavior, regardless of 802 state of origin, and we oppose any criminal or civil penalties against those who oppose homosexuality out 803 of faith, conviction, or belief in traditional values. No one should be granted special legal status based on 804 their LGBTQ+ identification.

144. <u>Gender Identity</u>: We oppose all efforts to validate transgender identity. For the purpose of attempting
 to affirm a person age 21 or under if their perception is inconsistent with their biological sex, no medical
 practitioner or provider may engage in the following practices:

- a. Intervene in any way to prevent natural progression of puberty.
- b. Administer or provide opposite sex hormones.
- c. Perform any surgery on healthy body parts of the underage person.

811 **145.** <u>No Taxpayer Funding for Sex Change</u>: We oppose the use of taxpayer funds for any type of medical 812 gender dysphoria treatments or sex change operations and/or treatments. This includes but is not limited 813 to military personnel as well as inmates in federal, state, or local prisons or jails. Inmates must be housed 814 according to their biological sex. No Federal, state, insurance, or probate monies may be allocated for the 815 use of such treatment.

146. <u>Counseling Methods</u>: Therapists, psychologists, and counselors licensed with the State of Texas
shall not be forbidden or penalized by any licensing board for practicing Reintegrative Therapy or other
counseling methods when counseling clients of any age with gender dysphoria or unwanted same-sex
attraction.

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821 (Substance Abuse & Addiction)

822 **147.** <u>Addiction</u>: We oppose legalization and decriminalization of illicit natural and/or illegal synthetic drugs,

823 and we support the exercise of a zero-tolerance policy with maximum penalty for illegal drug

824 manufacturers and distributors. We also oppose any needle exchange programs. Faith-based

rehabilitation programs should be considered as a part of an overall rehabilitation program.

- **148.** <u>Cannabis Classification</u>: Congress should remove cannabis from the list of Schedule 1 and move to
 Schedule 2.
- 828 **149.** Pornography Crisis: The State of Texas shall recognize that pornography is a public health-hazard.

150. <u>Ban on Exposing Minors to Pornography Online</u>: We call upon our elected leaders to compel any
 websites displaying pornographic content in Texas to implement age verification for preventing minors

from accessing the content, and to block or punish any such websites that continue to make such material available to minors.

151. <u>Pornography Crisis</u>: The State of Texas shall recognize that pornography and pedophilia are public
 health hazards.

836 (Healthcare Independence)

152. <u>Medical Freedom</u>: We call for an addition to the Texas Bill of Rights that explicitly states that Texans
have the natural, inalienable right to refuse vaccination or other medical treatment. Therefore, the
following are expressly forbidden even in an emergency or in a pandemic:

840 a. Since informed consent is a basic human right, any attempt to mandate, force, or coerce any medical test, procedure, or product, including vaccines or masks. 841 842 b. Our personal healthcare decisions are private; any attempt to use a citizen's perceived health, infection recovery, or vaccination status as a condition to maintain or obtain housing 843 844 or employment or employee benefits, attend school or childcare, or access state services. c. Any school, public or private, or any health care provider withholding from a parent or legal 845 guardian information that is relevant to the physical or mental health of the minor, to include 846 information related to a minor's perception that his or her gender or sex Is inconsistent with 847 848 his or her biological sex. d. Any mandates by public, private, government, or medical entities for treatment, vaccination, 849 vaccine passports, mask requirements, health insurance surcharges, or use of controlled 850 substances of any kind. 851 852 e. Any involuntary isolation or quarantine of anyone not experiencing an active contagious infection. 853 f. Any withholding of the risks and benefits of a proposed intervention, including quantifiable 854 adverse effects, that must be equally communicated and accessible to the patient or to a 855 minor patient's parents or guardian. 856 g. Any prevention of visitation to the ill when risks are acknowledged and mitigated according 857 858 to patient and visitor choice. h. Any Nuremberg Code violations-including but not limited to the requirement that use of 859 860 experimental use medications must provide full knowledgeable consent and be free from any form of coercion or inducement. 861 862 i. Any tracing of individuals by cell phones or another means for any reason without an 863 individual court issued warrant. We ask that the Contact Tracing Program. Workforce and Center Programs agreement be rescinded. 864 865 j. Any requirement that a nurse practitioner can only provide healthcare to Texans under a 866 delegation agreement with a physician in the State of Texas. k. Any holding of an individual against their will (or that of their parent or guardian) in a 867 868 hospital or residential care facility, or preventing an individual from changing their healthcare provider. 869 870 **153.** Texas Medical Practice Act: To protect the rights of both patients and physicians, the Texas Medical Board (TMB) should adopt the following provisions in the Texas Medical Practice Act: 871 872 a. Protect the right of patients to choose natural solutions, including chiropractic care, to their 873 health problems, as well as the physician's right to provide natural solutions for health problems. 874 875 b. Protect physicians from interference from the TMB or the Texas State Board of Pharmacy in the physician's treatment plans or prescriptions. 876 877 c. Eliminate confidential complaints against physicians. 878 d. Eliminate anonymous medical witnesses against physicians. e. Mandate legal due process in all TMB proceedings. 879 f. Allow physicians the right to have a complaint against them tried in a state district court, 880 881 rather than in an administrative law court. g. Prohibit TMB members from working for insurance, pharmaceutical companies, or hospitals 882 while serving on the board, to prevent conflict of interest. 883 h. Prohibit intimidation tactics by TMB lawyers against physicians. 884

154. <u>Medication Manufacturing</u>: Medications and prescription drugs consumed in the US should be manufactured in the US for security, consistency, and reliability of the drug. We strongly encourage our state to promote private entities to initiate and sustain the buildup of the supply chain and manufacturing of the medical and health products in this state to help reduce the costs and increase the availability of medical products to its constituents.

155. <u>Labels on Medications</u>: The labels on all prescription and over-the-counter drugs, supplements, and
 medical supplies must be required to show the country where manufactured or produced.

Medical Records and Informed Consent: We oppose any state or federal medical record computer
 database that stores personal identifiable records on citizens without their written consent.

157. <u>Right to Try</u>: We urge the Texas State Legislature and Governor to enact laws that protect patient's
and their doctor's rights to have access to experimental or off-label medications and procedures that can
potentially be lifesaving or improve quality of life without the Medical Board, Pharmacy Board, or Hospital
Boards Interfering.

Healthcare Savings Accounts: All individuals should be allowed to establish health savings accounts.
 Individuals should be allowed higher annual contributions to health savings accounts.

159. <u>Texas HSA</u>: We recommend the creation of the State of Texas Health Savings Account, with funds in
 excess of those needed in the Rainy Day Fund, with the purpose of enabling the state to develop reserves
 sufficient to exit the federal Medicaid program, which will not expire nor be utilized for any other purpose.

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904 (Environmental Health)

160. <u>Toxic Exposure</u>: We support the immediate implementation of the Toxic Exposure Research Act of
 2015, which will ensure that the federal government will establish a database on all exposed veterans and
 their families.

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909 (Parental Rights)

910 161. Parental Rights and Responsibilities: We support the fundamental constitutional rights of parents to
911 raise and educate their children, including their rights to direct the care, custody, control, upbringing, moral
912 and religious training, and medical care of their children. Local, state, or federal laws, regulations, or
913 policies that limit parental rights in the rearing of both biological and adopted children shall not be enacted.
914 Parents have the God-given right and responsibility to direct and guide their children's care and moral
915 upbringing.

916 162. <u>Parental Rights of Dependent Adult Children</u>: As long as parents are responsible for an adult child,
917 through college or the age of 26 when children are on the parents' insurance, the parents must have
918 access to medical information, grades, and other information normally afforded to parents of minor
919 children.

920 **163.** <u>Parental Consent</u>: We insist on informed parental consent for all medical care, counseling, etc., for all
 921 minors.

923 (Life-Affirming Health Care Concepts)

164. Conscience Clause: All persons and legal entities have the right of conscience and should be 924 925 protected under Texas law if they conscientiously object to participate in practices that conflict with their 926 moral or religious beliefs. This includes, but is not limited to, abortion, the prescription for and dispensing 927 of drugs with abortifacient potential, human cloning, embryonic stem cell research, eugenic screenings, 928 genetic engineering, euthanasia, assisted suicide, harmful futile procedures, vaccines, and the withdrawal 929 of nutrition and hydration. We call on the Texas Legislature to enact additional conscience protections for 930 all healthcare professionals, including medical students, that are all-encompassing, enforceable at the 931 state level, and protect against adverse action and retaliation taken against an individual.

932 165. Fetal Tissue Harvesting and Stem Cell Research: We support legislation prohibiting and criminalizing 933 the harvesting, sale, and experimentation or commercial use of human fetal tissue, including for vaccines, 934 which requires or is dependent upon the destruction of human life. We encourage adult stem cell research 935 using cells from umbilical cords, from adults, and from any other means that does not kill human embryos. 936 We also support elimination of public funding for embryonic stem cell research, research on fetal tissue, or 937 human cloning. All products that use embryonic and fetal tissue in their production shall be labeled in the 938 State of Texas to inform consumers, promote alternatives, and affirm the value of human life.

- **166.** <u>Alternatives to Abortion</u>: We urge the Republican Party of Texas to support programs that provide
 assistance to pregnant women by:
 - a. Protecting and increasing funding to Alternatives to Abortion Program.
 - Ensuring women have medical insurance coverage up to one year postpartum, making it safer for pregnant women to give birth in Texas.
- 944c. Safeguarding pregnant and parenting college students from discrimination, ensuring access945to educational opportunities, benefits, accommodations, and support services.
- 946 d. Utilizing a reformed adoption process.

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947 167. <u>Discriminatory Abortion</u>: We support legislation such as the Preborn Non-Discrimination Act (Pre-948 NDA) to close existing discriminatory loopholes that fail to protect preborn children suspected of having a 949 "fetal anomaly" or disability, and we support legislation to enact anti-discriminatory language to apply 950 additional protections to preborn children at risk of being aborted because of their sex, race, disability, or 951 age of gestation, in addition to providing families with information about life-affirming social and medical 952 services available to them in Texas, such as perinatal palliative care.

953 168. <u>Planned Parenthood</u>: We support completely eliminating complete elimination of public funding for, or
954 contracts with, Planned Parenthood and any other abortion providers and all their affiliates. We oppose
955 their digital or physical presence in our schools and other public institutions, as well as the expansion of
956 their facilities in our neighborhoods. We call for a state law prohibiting governmental contracts with
957 abortion providers and their affiliates.

- **169.** <u>Human Embryos</u>: We support the adoption of human embryos and the banning of human embryo
 trafficking.
- 960 **170.** End-of-Life Patient Protection: We support patients' rights, especially near the end of life, and call for 961 reform of existing legislation so that:
- Medical personnel may not deny care, change advanced directives, or originate directives for any patient without the informed consent of the patient or the patient's designate.

964	2.	The Advance Directives Act is strengthened by requiring hospitals intending or threatening
965		to withdraw life-sustaining treatment against the patient's wishes or their advance directive
966		to continue all treatment and care for such patients pending transfer to another facility.
967	3.	The discriminatory rationing of healthcare services premised on any aspect of the patient,
968		including a patient's age, race, sex, disability, or perceived quality of life is prohibited.

969 **171.** Repeal the Anti-Life 10-Day Rule: We support the pro-life priority as a legislative priority, and include 970 therein a call for the Texas Legislature to repeal the unethical, unconstitutional, unprecedented, and anti-971 life 10-Day Law in Section 166.046, Health and Safety Code (Texas Advance Directives Act) and replace 972 it with a truly life-affirming law that requires physicians to adhere to a patient's or surrogate's medical 973 decision about life-sustaining treatment and provides for physicians who disagree with the patient's 974 decision to transfer the patient to another physician or facility that will honor the decision to continue life-975 sustaining treatment; such a law will guarantee due process and the right to life for vulnerable Texas 976 patients.

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978 Criminal and Civil Justice

979 (Family Law)

980 **172.** <u>Equal Parenting</u>: We support legislation providing for equal and consistent parenting (possession and access) for every child, when both parents are fit, willing, and able, as it is in the best interest of the child.

173. <u>Child Protective Services</u>: We support reforming or replacing Child Protective Services, and we ask
 for any legislation that would support due process in family court proceedings, oversight of the system,
 and a jury determining the outcome of any case, if requested by either party.

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986 (Law Enforcement)

174. <u>Abortion Homicide Exemption</u>: The physician homicide exemption of the Texas Penal Code Section
19.06 should be modified to apply only to nonelective abortions such as required to save the life of the
mother.

175. <u>Capital Punishment</u>: Properly applied capital punishment is legitimate and should be reasonably
 swift, while respecting all due process.

992 **176.** Police, Firefighters, and Other First Responders Appreciation: We express our gratitude and 993 appreciation for police officers, firefighters, and other first responders. We support them in the exercise of 994 their duties. To that end, we support proper funding for robust training programs that provide them with 995 intensive and comprehensive physical and academic training in the classroom and on the ground. We also 996 support funding of proper mental health care and encouragement for officers.

- 997 **177.** <u>Mental Health Support Backup</u>: We support trained mental health personnel backup being provided
 998 to peace officers at all hours, day and night, in order to serve the public.
- 999 **178.** <u>Protection from Arbitrary Stops</u>: The Texas Legislature is to enact legislation to protect Texans from
 arbitrary stops, detentions, or arrests for only openly carrying a firearm.
- 1001 **179.** <u>No-Knock Raids</u>: We call upon the Texas Legislature to improve no-knock warrant procedures to 1002 protect law enforcement and the community.

180. <u>Oppose Riots</u>: We oppose riots, vandalism, and looting and condemn such conduct. We advocate
that each and every said criminal act be dealt with immediate arrest, imprisonment, and prosecution, to
the fullest extent of the law and that those who have been found guilty of causing injury or the destruction
of property be held financially responsible for restitution including the withholding of any state provided

1007 benefits/entitlements if applicable.

1008 181. <u>Political Policing</u>: We believe that laws should be enforced uniformly, that punishment should meet 1009 the crime, and that law enforcement should never be used to target individuals for political purposes. We 1010 oppose the targeting of police officers by progressive district attorneys. We support automatic and prompt 1011 expunction of law enforcement officials' records who are found not guilty in a court of law regarding job-

- 1012 related actions.
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1014 (Courts, Prosecutions, Restitution)

1015 182. <u>Court Accountability</u>: We support the right to inform the jurors of their common law power to judge
1016 law (jury nullification) as well as the evidence, and to vote on the verdict according to their conscience.
1017 Article 3, Section 2 of the Constitution defines the role of judges. We support Congress limiting the powers
1018 of the US Federal Court by invoking Article 3, Section 2, and Clause 2, by 'legislating Exceptions, and
1019 creating Regulations' to limit the cases for which the US Federal Court have jurisdiction. We believe

1020 district attorneys have a duty to seek justice for victims of all forms of crime and oppose policies that

- 1021 systematically decline to prosecute crimes.
- 1022 **183.** <u>Frivolous Lawsuits</u>: We support further reform to discourage frivolous lawsuits. We oppose the
 1023 abusive use of class action lawsuits and any law which allows government agencies to collect lawyer fees
 1024 from the plaintiff when they win but not have to pay the plaintiff fees when they lose.
- 1025 **184.** <u>Bail Reform</u>: We call upon the Texas Legislature to ensure bail in Texas is based only on a person's
 1026 danger to society, risk of flight, and criminal history.

1027 185. <u>Victims of Human Trafficking</u>: We call upon the Texas Legislature to amend the Code of Criminal
 1028 Procedure to allow victims of human trafficking to have convictions within the previous five years for
 1029 prostitution offenses set aside, if they received these convictions as a direct result of being trafficked.

1030 186. <u>Human Trafficking Jurisdiction</u>: The Texas Legislature should pass legislation granting the Texas
 1031 Attorney General full concurrent jurisdiction over multi-jurisdictional cases, to be limited specifically to
 1032 those cases involving human trafficking.

1033 187. <u>Rule of Law Enforcement</u>: We support rule of law and enforcement of laws which maintain an
1034 ordered republic. We call for independent prosecutorial authority to prosecute crimes that maintain order
1035 (such as sedition, riot, official oppression, election integrity, etc.) to be delegated to a statewide officer
1036 such as the Attorney General. We oppose the December 2021 opinion of the Court of Criminal Appeals in
1037 *State v. Stephens*, which was judicial activism, and encourage the Court to reconsider this ill-advised
1038 opinion. We call on the Legislature to ensure that election crimes will be promptly prosecuted, even in
1039 counties with progressive district attorneys.

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- 1041 (Rights and Protections)

1042 **188.** <u>Obscenity Exemption</u>: We urge repeal of the Texas Penal Code "Obscenity Exemption" [43.24(c)], 1043 which allows children access to harmful, explicit, or pornographic materials under the guise of education 1044 materials. The State of Texas should repeal all Texas laws based on the fraudulent research by Dr. Alfred1045 Kinsey.

- 1046 **189.** <u>Civil Asset Forfeiture</u>: We call upon the Texas Legislature to abolish civil asset forfeiture,
- independently or in partnership with federal authorities, and to ensure that private property only beforfeited upon a criminal conviction.
- **190.** <u>Government Surveillance</u>: We oppose all forms of warrantless government surveillance of United
 States citizens and businesses.
- **1051 191.** Location and Data Privacy: We call upon the Texas Legislature to protect citizens' current and
- historic technologically available location data by requiring a warrant based on probable cause or a legallyobtained subpoena.
- 1054 **192.** <u>Hate Crimes</u>: We urge the complete repeal of the hate crime laws, since ample laws are currently in 1055 effect to punish criminal behavior towards other persons.
- **193.** <u>Marriage Officiation</u>: We believe religious institutions have the freedom to recognize and perform only
 those marriages that are consistent with their doctrine.
- **194.** <u>Raise the Age</u>: We call upon the Legislature to raise the age of criminal responsibility from 17 to 18
 years.
- **195.** <u>Warrant Validity</u>: The filers of search warrants should be held responsible for the validity of the
 information used to obtain the warrants.
- 1062 196. <u>Pandemic Business Fines</u>: We support prohibiting fines or imprisonment of business owners for
 1063 operating their business during pandemics and calls for the legislature to pass these protections into law.
- **1064 197.** <u>Fraudulent Lien Filings</u>: We support legislation designed to reduce fraud by requiring that the identity</u>
- of the debtor on all liens be confirmed prior to filing by at least three methods, including but not necessarily
 limited to state ID, county records, and personal contact.
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1068 State Affairs Section

- 1069 (Heritage Preservation)
- 1070 **198.** <u>Alamo</u>: The Alamo is a historical event to Texas and as such:
- 1071 a. Should be remembered and not "reimagined." 1072 b. Texas's authority regarding the Alamo shall not be infringed upon by any organization or 1073 authority, including but not limited to local governments, the federal government, the United 1074 Nations, or UNESCO. 1075 c. Decision-making authority for the Alamo must never be removed from Texas. 1076 d. The custodians of the Alamo must be required to 1077 Affirm and emphasize the intrinsic significance of the 1836 battle in telling the story of i. 1078 the Alamo. 1079 Maintain transparency in finances and operations of the Alamo. ii. 1080 e. Specific protection shall be afforded the site, including all land and existing monuments, 1081 including the Cenotaph, which SHALL NOT be moved from its present site. 1082 f. We oppose any official action from a state-funded institution of higher education that

- 1083 disrespects the heroic actions that occurred during the Texas Revolution. We call for swift 1084 financial and personnel consequences for universities that cancel official Texas
- 1085 Independence Day celebrations or remove "Come and Take It" as an official slogan.

1086 **199.** <u>Heritage</u>: We call upon governmental entities to protect all symbols of our American and Texan 1087 heritage and therefore:

- 1088 a. We oppose governmental action to remove the public display of the Ten Commandments or 1089 other religious symbols.
- b. We support the Pledge Protection Act. We urge that the national motto, "In God We Trust," 1090 1091 and the National Anthem be protected from legislative and judicial attack.
- 1092 c. Penalties should be established for any form of desecration of the American or Texas Flag.
 - d. We support preservation of Texas history and historical sites.
 - e. Visitors to the Alamo should conduct themselves with decorum and reverence inside the shrine, out of respect for the sacrifice of the heroes who are honored there.
- 1096 f. We call for restoration of plaques honoring the Confederate widows' pension fund 1097 contribution, which were illegally removed from the Texas Supreme Court building. 1098
 - g. We support March 2nd Texas Independence Day being an official state holiday.
- 1099 h. We support all schools, state agencies, and public offices to celebrate and honor 1100 Constitution Day on September 17th of each year or the preceding Friday or following 1101 Monday closest thereto.
- 1102 200. Historical Monuments: We believe that all historical war memorials, including Confederate 1103 monuments, in Texas shall be protected from future removal or defacement, and we believe that those 1104 monuments that have been removed should be restored to their historical locations. We support the 1105 continuing allocation of funds that are necessary to preserve the USS Texas as a permanent monument to 1106 the ship, her crew of two world wars, and the history of the State of Texas.

1107 **201.** Honor Our Flags: We appreciate and honor our flags and what they represent, and we strongly 1108 advocate for all public schools to display the US and Texas flags in every classroom and to begin each 1109 school day with the pledges to both.

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1112 **202.** Data Privacy: We demand that the Texas legislature protect data privacy by prohibiting the collection 1113 and selling of data and the enforcement of data privacy through private right of action. Schools should not 1114 consent to data collection of minors on behalf of parents. Schools should protect the confidentiality of 1115 students' identifiable information and codify federal privacy law.

- 1116 **203.** Location and Data Privacy: The Texas Legislature should be called upon to expand existing privacy
- 1117 laws and laws protecting identity theft by limiting the ways in which internet providers, schools,
- 1118 government entities both state and federal, and others may access, collect, store, and use the electronic 1119 communications, documents, META data and protected information of all Texans.
- 1120 204. <u>Religious Freedom for Business</u>: We support the removal of laws and regulations that are used to 1121 force business owners and employees to violate their conscience, sincerely held beliefs, or core values.
- 1122 Property defining public accommodation as understood in the Civil Rights Act of 1964:
- 1123 a. Prohibit any change to that legal definition by any federal, state, or local law to expand 1124 government control to restrict any First Amendment rights.

1125	b. Proscribe any law that requires any private business or individual to create or provide a
1126	custom product or service, or any kind of expressive work, or enter into a contract, or be
1127	coerced into any speech that is not their own.
1128 1129 1130	205. <u>Religious Freedom of Speech and Practice</u> : As America is "one nation under God," founded on Judeo-Christian principles, we affirm the constitutional right of all individuals to worship as they choose. We strongly believe in Religious Freedom and Freedom of Speech. Therefore, we demand:
1131 1132 1133 1134 1135 1136 1137 1138 1139 1140 1141 1142 1143	 a. The repeal of the Johnson Amendment, which assaults the free speech of pastors and religious organizations. b. Protection of the First Amendment rights of any citizen to practice their religion and exercise their right to free speech in the public square, as well as in religious organization affiliations. c. That Texas judges and legislators uphold and defend our God-given unalienable rights of religious liberty and freedom of speech, and we oppose any effort to intimidate and prevent Christians and other people of faith from exercising these rights which the civil government is required, by the First Amendment, to protect. d. Acknowledgement that the Church is a God-ordained institution with a sphere of authority separate from that of civil government, and thus the Church is not to be regulated, controlled, or taxed by any level of civil government. Nor shall services or other church functions ever again be shut down or suspended by over-reaching civil authorities under any pretext whatever.
1144	206. <u>Gender Identity</u> : We support enacting legislation in the State of Texas ensuring that:
1145	a. No government entity in the state shall be allowed to take it upon itself to define for any
1146	private business or private entity how it must segregate its restrooms, changing facilities, or
1147	showers.
1148	b. Nor may any government agency be allowed to require businesses to profess, espouse, or
1149	adopt specific views on sex, sexuality, gender, or gender identity. We oppose any attempt
1150	to criminalize and/or penalize anyone for the wrong use of pronouns.
1151	c. Government agencies must guarantee that views and positions on these matters are not
1152	used as a basis to deny access to public accommodations, as defined by the Civil Rights
1153	Act of 1964, nor to deny employment, or discriminate in employment decisions, solely on
1154	the basis of a person's views on these matters.

- 1155 d. We recognize that gender identity disorder is a genuine and extremely rare mental health 1156 condition and that denial of an immutable gender binary not only denies those with the 1157 condition proper mental healthcare but also leads to physically and psychologically abusive 1158 "social transitioning" as well as irreversible physical mutilation. We urge the State 1159 Legislature to pass legislation that requires adherence to sex identifications on all official 1160 documents that will be based upon biological gender, as well as legislation enacting civil 1161 penalties and fiscal compensation awarded to de-transitioners who have received "gender 1162 affirming surgery" as compensation for malpractice.
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- 1164 (Family and Gender Issues)

207. <u>Human Sexuality</u>: We affirm God's biblical design for marriage and sexual behavior between one
 biological man and one biological woman, which has proven to be the foundation for all great nations in
 Western civilization. We oppose homosexual marriage, regardless of state of origin. We urge the Texas
 Legislature to pass religious liberty protections for individuals, businesses, and government officials who

- 1169 believe marriage is between one man and one woman. We oppose the granting of special legal
- 1170 entitlements or creation of special status for sexual behavior or identity, regardless of state of origin. We
- 1171 oppose any criminal or civil penalties against those who oppose non-traditional sexual behavior out of
- 1172 faith, conviction, or belief in traditional values.

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- **208.** <u>Protect Minors Until Age of Consent</u>: A law should be enacted to protect the rights of the individual
 until the age of consent is reached.
- 1175a. Prohibit sexual transition surgeries, hormonal blockers, social transitioning, or other1176treatments
- 1177b. Protect against predatory sexual behaviors, including but not limited to "Drag Queen Story1178Hour"
- 1179c. Remove immunities or protections from school districts and personnel which participate in1180the sexualization of our children
- d. Require disclosure of the above offenses to parents or guardians
- 1182 **209.** <u>Definition of Marriage</u>: We support the definition of marriage as a God-ordained, legal, and moral covenant only between one biological man and one biological woman.
- **210.** <u>State Authority over Marriage</u>: We support withholding jurisdiction from the federal courts in cases
 involving family law, especially any changes in the definition of marriage.
- **211.** <u>Spousal Benefits</u>: We shall not recognize or grant to any unmarried person the legal rights or status
 of a spouse, as defined in Principle #6 of the Platform, including granting benefits by political subdivisions.
- 212. <u>No-Fault Divorce</u>: We urge the Legislature to rescind unilateral no-fault divorce laws and support
 covenant marriage and to pass legislation extending the period of time in which a divorce may occur to six
 months after the date of filing for divorce.
- **213.** <u>Nullify Unconstitutional Ruling</u>: We believe the Obergefell v. Hodges decision, overturning the Texas
 law prohibiting same-sex marriage in Texas, has no basis in the Constitution and should be nullified.
- **214.** <u>Adoption</u>: We encourage the Texas Legislature to remove as many barriers to adoption as possible
 and make the process less intrusive while protecting children's safety and best interests. We urge the
 Texas Legislature to adopt the following steps to promote adoption:
 - Expand Community Based Care—increase partnerships with local private and nonprofit charitable organizations to create a safer and more responsive system.
 - b. Require a Guilty Verdict Before Placing Individuals in the Central Registry—currently an unsubstantiated accusation of abuse or neglect can lead to Texans being listed in a government database and cause them to lose jobs and other penalties without ever being found guilty by a court. In some cases, even those found innocent remain listed on the database. No Texan should be deprived of liberty or their right to earn a living without a fair hearing.
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 c. Expand Service Options—improve care for families of children at risk of entering foster care by providing more choice and flexibility for family preservation services outside of the current state contracted services.
 d. End hidden Foster Care—many families are threatened and coerced into giving up custody
 - d. End hidden Foster Care—many families are threatened and coerced into giving up custody of their child without ever going to court. Texas should protect parents' rights and end coercive agreements by limiting CPS's ability to separate families without court oversight.
- e. Repeal anonymous reporting—False reporting of families to CPS can lead to great harm
 and a large waste of resources. False reporting can be prevented while increasing the
 accuracy of reports to CPS by eliminating the option of anonymous reporting in favor of
 confidentiality. Professionals who must report suspicious activity should be trained on

- 1214alternatives to filing a CPS report and permitted to refer struggling families to community1215service providers.
- 1216 We urge communities and people of faith to promote adoption and for those not called to adopt
- 1217 themselves to offer assistance to families that can. We believe that, in the best interests of the family and
- 1218 child, the State of Texas should allow children to be adopted only by married or single heterosexuals.
- 1219 **215.** <u>Child Rights</u>: We call on the Texas Legislature to pass legislation to protect privacy in public schools
- 1220 and government buildings as allowed by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, by ensuring that
- 1221 multi-use facilities, including showers, changing rooms, and bathrooms, are designated for and used only
- 1222 by persons based on the person's biological sex.
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- 1224 (Pro-Life Issues)
- 1225 **216.** <u>Pro-Life</u>: Until the abolition of abortion is achieved, we support laws that restrict and regulate abortion 1226 including, but not limited to:
- 1227 a. Parental and informed consent, including the elimination of judicial bypass. 1228 b. Prohibition of licensing, liability, and malpractice insurance for abortionists and abortion 1229 facilities. c. Prohibition of financial kickbacks for abortion referrals. 1230 1231 d. Prohibition of late-term abortions. 1232 e. Prohibition of abortions after the time an unborn child's heartbeat is detected. 1233 f. Prohibition of the manufacturing and sale of abortifacients. g. Elimination of causes of action for "wrongful birth." 1234 1235 h. Health insurance coverage for abortion services and abortifacients, which under Texas law should be considered supplemental coverage and billed to the beneficiary. 1236 1237 i. Criminal penalties be attached to any entity, excluding the mother, convicted of conducting 1238 an illegal abortion or selling body parts of aborted children. 1239 Extend the private cause of action used in the Texas Heartbeat Act to all pro-life laws and j. 1240 policies in Texas. 1241 **217.** Abolish Abortion: Since life begins at fertilization, we urge the Texas Legislature to abolish abortion 1242 through enacting legislation that would immediately secure the rights to life and would nullify any and all 1243 federal statutes, regulations, orders, and court rulings that would deny these rights. 1244 218. Inviolability of Life and Fundamental Right to Life: All innocent human life must be respected and 1245 safeguarded from fertilization to natural death; therefore, the unborn, the aged, and the physically or 1246 mentally challenged have a fundamental individual right to life, which cannot be infringed. We respect the 1247 uniqueness of human life and oppose practices which corrupt human DNA, mix human and animal DNA, 1248 or other trans-humanist initiatives that do not respect the sanctity and uniqueness of human life. All 1249 humans are endowed by their creator with sovereign rights of ownership of their person and DNA, 1250 regardless of any DNA modification, and claims to the contrary are invalid. 1251 (Land Use) 1252
- **219.** <u>Property Annexation</u>: Homeowners and landowners in an area proposed for annexation should have
 the right to vote to approve or reject the annexation, regardless of the population of the county. No
 annexation can occur within 45 days of any election.
- 1256 **220.** <u>HOA Governance</u>: We support legislation prohibiting HOAs from using "policies" to bypass the

1257 process of residents' voting on changes in deed restrictions. We urge the Texas Legislature to enact 1258 legislation allowing a simple majority of property owners within and subject to a homeowners' association 1259 to dissolve the association. The Texas Legislature should enact legislation to restrict developers from 1260 controlling the Homeowners Association more than 5 years and expanding the properties included beyond 1261 contiguous property. We also call upon the Texas Legislature to amend the language of that section of the 1262 Open Meetings Act that applies to HOAs to clearly require that every HOA that charges fees to residents 1263 be required to comply with every aspect the Texas Open Meetings Act. We oppose HOAs' limiting 1264 freedom of speech and assembly imposed on master-planned community homeowners.

221. <u>Property Rights</u>: Property ownership and free enterprise, the foundation of our collective wealth, must
not be abridged nor denied by government. We support legislation to protect these bedrock rights. Areas
of concern are: annexation, eminent domain (including foreign entities), property forfeiture, extraterritorial
jurisdiction, seizure for public or private development, natural resources and conservation easements,
groundwater and/or mineral rights, nationalization of lands, and the preservation of our Fourth Amendment
right to privacy. Property owners should be notified of their rights with regard to condemnation,
annexation, or easement, and the condemner should be required to petition a court of jurisdiction to show

1272 public necessity. Taking of property should result in immediate compensation of fair market value to the 1273 owner. These issues should be administered by elected officials accountable to voters.

1274 **222.** <u>Eminent Domain</u>: The use of eminent domain must exclude the seizure of private property for private economic development or increased tax revenue.

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1277 (State Governance)

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 1279 American citizens to the candidates or causes of their choice.

1280 **224.** <u>Texas Independence</u>: We urge the Texas Legislature to pass bill in its next session requiring a

referendum in the 2023 general election for the people of Texas to determine whether or not the State ofTexas should reassert its status as an independent nation.

225. <u>Prosecution of Election Fraud</u>: We urge the passage of a constitutional amendment that gives the
 Texas Attorney General concurrent jurisdiction to prosecute election fraud along with the county District
 Attorneys.

1286 **226.** <u>Marijuana Remains Illegal</u>: Oppose the legalization of recreational marijuana and offer opportunities
 1287 for drug treatment before penalties for its illegal possession, use, or distribution.

- 1288 **227.** <u>Gun Free Zone in Texas</u>: There shall be no gun free zones in Texas.
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Government and Election Integrity

1291 (Government Operations)

1292 228. <u>Sexual Harassment</u>: We believe sexual harassment should not be tolerated. Elected and appointed1293 officials should be held to a higher standard.

1294 **229.** <u>Government Authority</u>: We believe any government authority that has the ability to levy a tax, fee, or

- 1295 appraise property on the people should be accountable to those who pay the taxes via the electoral 1296 process, from the local level to the federal level.
- 1297 **230.** <u>Federal Land in Texas</u>: All federal land should be turned over to its respective state, except for land 1298 specifically authorized in the Constitution (military bases, federal buildings, post offices).
- 1299 **231.** <u>Tax-Funded Lobbying</u>: We oppose using tax dollars to hire lobbyists or paying tax dollars to 1300 associations that lobby the Legislature.
- 1301 232. <u>Texas Speaker of the House, House Committees and Legislative Quorum</u>:
- 1302a.We oppose the use of pledge cards and call for the Republican members to caucus after1303each November general election to determine, by secure secret ballot, their candidate for1304Speaker and Speaker Pro-Tempore. We also call for the Republican members to vote as a1305unified body for their selected Speaker candidate when the Legislature convenes in regular1306session.
- b. Texas House standing committees should advance the conservative grassroots agenda,
 not that of special interests and lobbyists. The chairman and a majority of members of key
 committees should support the conservative agenda. Standing Committees should be
 chaired by the political party in majority.
- 1311c.Any legislator who purposely refuses to attend a legally scheduled session for the purpose1312of denying a quorum shall LOSE any chairmanship, vice-chairmanship, and committee1313membership to which he/she may have been appointed. Additionally, the individual shall1314lose any salary for that absence period. Additionally, the individual shall pay back any1315earnings and cost of living allowances earned during that period.
- **233.** <u>Caucus Priorities</u>: We urge the Texas Senate Republican Caucus and the Texas House Republican
 Caucus to adopt and publish a list of legislative priorities before convening each regular session of the
 legislature.
- 1319 234. <u>Sixty-day Rule</u>: We recommend that the Legislature pass legislation to remove the constitutional
 provision that the House cannot take action until 60 days after convening.
- 1321 235. House Calendars Committee: We call for changes to the House Rules that require the House
 1322 Calendars Committee to vote on a bill within 14 days of receipt, or it is automatically put on the calendar.
 1323 We also support automatic setting of a bill on the calendar within seven days if it is cosponsored by three1324 fifths of House members. We call for votes on each bill individually that is not set on the calendar, rather
 1325 than killing a slate of bills at once.
- 1326 236. Unelected Bureaucrats: We oppose the appointment of unelected bureaucrats, and we support 1327 defunding and abolishing the departments or agencies of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS); Education; 1328 Energy; Housing and Urban Development (HUD); Commerce; Health and Human Services (HHS); Labor; 1329 Interior (specifically, the Bureau of Land Management); Transportation Security Administration (TSA); 1330 Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF); National Labor Relations Board; Food and Drug 1331 Administration (FDA); Centers for Disease Control (CDC); Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC); 1332 Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA); and any other federal agency or department that 1333 is not authorized by the Constitution. In the interim, executive decisions by departments or agencies must 1334 be reviewed and approved by Congress before taking effect.
- 1335 **237.** <u>Sunset Commission</u>: We support a majority citizen-led Sunset Commission.
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1338 **238.** Bond Elections: State and local bond election ballots should be required to include the amount of 1339 debt currently outstanding, current debt service payments, current per capita debt obligations, the amount 1340 of new debt being proposed, estimated debt service for the new debt, and estimated per capita burden 1341 being proposed. The bond issue must obtain a 2/3 affirmative vote of at least 20 percent of registered 1342 voters in the voting jurisdiction. No public funds are to be spent influencing a bond election. We oppose bundling of items on bond election ballots and "rolling polling" for bond and tax rate increase elections. 1343 1344 239. Pay-to-Play Endorsement Slates: We oppose "pay-to-play" endorsement slates and urge Republican 1345 primary voters to exercise extreme caution regarding any endorsement or statement made in these slates. 1346 Slates shall include notice of the amount that was paid for advertising by the individual candidates so that 1347 voters can see that endorsements might be contingent on purchase of advertisement. 1348 **240.** In-Person Election Voting: In-person voting should be conducted as a single period of time of no 1349 more than three days with no time gap between the first day of Early Voting and Election Day. 1350 **241.** Fair Elections Procedures: We support the right of eligible voters to cast a ballot in each election 1351 once, but we oppose illegal voting, illegal assistance, or ineligible persons. We support: 1352 a. Vigorous enforcement of all our election laws as written and oppose any laws, lawsuits, and 1353 judicial decisions that make voter fraud very difficult to deter, detect, or prosecute. 1354 b. Voter Photo ID. 1355 c. Prohibition of internet voting for public office and any ballot measure. 1356 d. That mail-in ballots must be requested and only granted to those that cannot physically

- 1357 appear in-person. 1358 e. Increased scrutiny and security in balloting by mail to including removal of Section 87.014 1359 (d-1) of the Texas Election code to require once again full signature verification with the 1360 need to rebut regardless of whether paper identification numbers are on the application and 1361 ballot carrier envelope.
- 1362 f. Felony status for willful violations of the election code and increasing penalty for voter fraud 1363 from a misdemeanor back to a felony.
- 1364 g. The constitutional authority of state legislatures to regulate voting, including 1365 disenfranchisement of convicted felons.
- 1366 h. Changes to the appropriate sections of Texas law that would deny or cancel homestead 1367 exemptions, driver licenses, and License to Carry, if the addresses on those documents DO 1368 NOT match the address on the voter's registration
- 1369 i. Consolidating elections to primary, run-off, special called, and General Election days and 1370 locations 1371
 - Sequentially numbered and signed ballots to deter counterfeiting. j.
 - k. Expanding the Attorney General's staff for investigating election crimes and restoring the ability of the Attorney General to prosecute any election crimes.
 - The ability for civil lawsuits to be filed for election fraud or failure of officials to follow the Ι. election code.
 - m. Allowing trained Poll Watchers from anywhere in Texas with local Party or Candidate approval.
- 1378 n. Creating processes that will allow rapid adjudication of election law violation disputes as 1379 they occur and before violations can be successfully perpetrated.
- 1380 o. Withdrawing from Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC).
- 242. Voter Registration: We support restoring integrity to the voter registration rolls and reducing voter 1381

1382	<u>fraud by</u> :		
1383	a.	repealing all motor voter laws.	
1384	b.	requiring voters to re-register, if they have not voted in a five-year period.	
1385	C.	requiring photo ID of all registrants.	
1386	d.	requiring proof of residency and citizenship along with the voter registration application.	
1387	e.	retaining the 30-day registration deadline.	
1388	f.	requiring that a list of certified deaths be provided to the Secretary of State in order for the	
1389		names of deceased voters be removed from the list of registered voters. periodic checks on	
1390		the voter rolls to ensure all currently registered voters are eligible.	
1391	g.	giving the Secretary of State enforcement authority to ensure county registrar compliance	
1392		with Secretary of State directives.	
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1394	i.	use any undedicated federal election funds received to improve the security of our online	
1395		voter registration data.	
1396	243. Campai	gning at Poll Sites: We encourage free speech at polling sites outside of the existing	
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1399 1400		<u>Rights</u> : We support equal suffrage for all United States citizens of voting age. We oppose any of citizens by race, origin, creed, sexuality, or lifestyle choices, and oppose use of any such	
1400		for purposes of creating voting districts. We urge that the Voting Rights Act of 1965, codified	
1402		in 1973, be repealed and not reauthorized.	
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- **245.** <u>Closed Primary</u>: We support protecting the integrity of the Republican Primary Election by requiring a 1403 1404 closed primary system in Texas. While we welcome people to join the Republican Party who support 1405 limited government and traditional values, we oppose campaigns to get liberal Democrats to cross over and move the Republican Party to the left in the primary. 1406
- 1407 **246.** Redistricting: We support drawing districts based on eligible voters, not pure population. We believe 1408 districts should be geographically compact when possible. We oppose any redistricting map that is unfair 1409 to conservative candidates in the primary or the general election.
- 1410 **247.** Republican Party Operations: We support the election of Republican County Chairs by their
- respective County Executive Committees where they exist. We support removing the Republican Party of 1411
- 1412 Texas from the Election Code.
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National Defense and Foreign Affairs 1414

1415 **248.** Support of Our Armed Forces: The men and women who wear our country's uniform, whether on active duty or in the Reserves or National Guard or Texas State Military are the most important assets in 1416 1417 our military arsenal. All current and prior military personnel and their families must have the benefits, 1418 healthcare, housing, education, and overall support they need. Injured military personnel deserve the best 1419 medical, mental health, and rehabilitative care our country has to offer. Veterans Administration monetary 1420 benefits shall match present national price index value in all programs.

1421 249. Eliminate Illegal Immigration Magnets: Texas shall require proof of legal residency for obtaining a 1422 Texas driver's license and enrolling in public school and shall require proof of citizenship for obtaining 1423 voter registration and public benefits. Texas should require all employers to screen new hires through the Table of Contents

- 1424 free E-Verify system to prevent the hiring of illegal aliens and of anyone not legally authorized to work in
- 1425 the US, and to protect jobs for American workers. No tax dollars should be provided for social or
- 1426 educational programs for illegal aliens. All existing laws providing for in-state tuition and nonemergency
- medical care shall be rescinded. All not verifiable foreign-issued identification cards shall be legally invalidin the United States.
- 1429 **250.** <u>Military Readiness</u>: We support a military force of sufficient strength and readiness to deter any threat
 1430 to our national sovereignty or to the safety and freedom of our citizens. We oppose gender norming in the
 1431 military. Transgendered persons should not serve in the military as a special class; no special
 1432 considerations or medical treatment shall be required or offered. We are opposed to expanding Selective
- 1433 Service to include women.
- 1434 **251.** <u>Cybersecurity</u>: As foreign and domestic threats to cybersecurity evolve, the State of Texas must
 upgrade systems and system security to meet these threats and share threat intelligence data among
 levels of government. The integrity of our state and local network infrastructure must be maintained.
- 1437 252. <u>Defeat Terrorism</u>: We support an aggressive war on terrorism, including radical Islamic terrorists,
 1438 which consists of cooperating with our allies and sanctioning nations that sponsor terrorists. We support
 1439 the reasonable use of profiling, the prosecution of national security breaches, and the revision of laws or
 1440 executive orders that erode our liberties. We call on the federal government to designate the Muslim
 1441 Brotherhood a foreign terrorist organization, and we call on governmental agencies to avoid and suspend
 1442 all activities with all radical Islamic organizations, such as the Council on American-Islamic Relations
 1443 (CAIR).
- **253.** Designate Drug Cartels as Terrorist Organizations: We strongly support H.R.1700—Drug Cartel
 Terrorist Designation Act—116th Congress (2019-2020), introduced by Rep Chip Roy, which would
 designate Trans-criminal Crime Organizations (TCO) identified as Drug Cartels as Foreign Terrorist
- 1447 Organizations (FTO) with the intention of enhancing the policing policy related to Drug Cartels.
- 1448 Furthermore, we request that the State of Texas establish a Counter Terrorism Division that could enforce
- 1449 Anti-Terrorist laws to deter the trafficking of drugs, people, and any other illegal activity across our
- 1450 southern border.
- 1451 **254.** <u>Immigration</u>: We demand that state and federal law enforcement officers enforce our immigration 1452 laws, implement an entry/exit tracking system for visa holders, and expedite hearings on deporting both 1453 violent and non-violent illegal immigrants and visa overstays. Chain migration and the diversity visa lottery 1454 should be eliminated. We call for the abolition of the refugee resettlement program. Any form of amnesty 1455 with regard to immigration policy should not be granted, including the granting of legal status to persons in 1456 the country illegally. Our legal immigration system should be strictly merit based, and the total number of 1457 new immigrants should be limited to a level that facilitates assimilation.
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1459 (Border Security and Immigration)

1460 255. <u>Border Security Funding</u>: We expect both the Texas Legislature and the United States Congress to
1461 make a priority of allocating funds to effectively secure the border through whatever means necessary,
1462 including but not limited to barriers, a border wall, and/or fence everywhere along the border where it is
1463 feasible and useful, as well as personnel and technology over land, sea, and air. Texas shall seek
1464 repayment from the Federal Government for expenses incurred in securing the border.

1465 **256.** <u>State Self-Defense</u>: We urge the Texas Legislature to invoke Art I, § 10, cl. 3 of the US Constitution,
1466 also known as the state self-defense clause, which asserts that under an active invasion (as defined or

1467 1468 1469 1470 1471	declared by the Governor of the State or Texas Legislature), the sovereign state of Texas has the authority and duty to defend Texas citizens against "imminent Danger," not admitting delay, by any and all appropriate measures the sovereign state defines as necessary to defend from such assaults. Immediately equip the Texas Military with the necessary tools and authority to serve and protect Texas State territories and citizens.			
1472 1473	257. <u>Interstate Border Compact</u> : We urge the Texas Legislature to establish effective interstate compact(s) with other States for the purpose of securing the US border and enforcing immigration laws.			
1474 1475 1476	258. <u>Sanctuary Cities</u> : State and federal funds shall be denied to any public or private entity, including but not limited to sanctuary cities, that are not compliant with immigration laws. Prosecute the responsible elected officials of sanctuary cities/counties/states for obstruction of immigration laws.			
1477 1478	59. Border Security and Immigration: We urge the implementation of state and federal laws to require nat:			
1479 1480 1481 1482 1483 1484 1485 1486 1487 1488 1489 1490 1491 1492 1493 1494 1495	 a. Biometric identity of suspected illegal aliens be compared with a database of biometric identites of current and past suspected illegal aliens before further processing. b. A suspected illegal alien whose biometric identity matches biometric identity captured for a prior attempt at illegal entry shall remain in custody and the case expedited as a probable attempt at second or subsequent illegal reentry. c. No suspected illegal aliens can be transported across state lines until final determination of immigration status. d. Additional court resources shall be made available to expedite final determination of immigration status. e. Suspected illegal aliens of any age must remain in custody until final determination of their immigration status. f. Suspected illegal aliens whose final immigration status does not make them known legal residents to the US shall immediately be deported and shall remain in custody until physically removed from the US. g. There shall be no suspected illegal aliens released into the general US public either directly or indirectly. h. Only persons known to be legal entrants shall be released into the US population. 			
1496 1497	60. <u>Implement 287(g) Program</u> : The Texas Legislature should prioritize legislation to incentivize and encourage the expansion of the 287(g) program throughout the state.			
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1500 1501 1502	62. <u>Aiding and Abetting Illegal Immigrants</u> : We support revoking the 501(c)3 tax exempt status of any organization that breaks state or federal law by knowingly aiding and abetting illegal immigrants. We upport disbarring attorneys who knowingly aid and abet illegal immigrants.			
1503 1504 1505 1506 1507 1508 1509 1509	263. <u>Texas National Guard Deployment and Benefits</u> : Congress shall not abdicate the war powers to the executive branch except when under imminent threat and not to be used as a preemptive strike unless approved by Congress. The Texas National Guard should only be deployed to overseas combat zones under authorization of Congress through a declaration of war. The legislature shall provide parity of benefits to the Texas National Guard regardless of whether they are activated under state or federal orders. Parity would include but not be limited to the same benefits provided by the Hazelwood Act and also the same benefits as, or equal benefits to, those from the VA that would be provided by federal deployment orders.			

1512 (Foreign Affairs)

1513 264. <u>No RFIs from Bad Actors</u>: The Office of Economic Development and Tourism does not accept
 1514 requests for information (RFIs) from companies from those countries that have a poor human rights record
 1515 and proven corruption, from communist countries or from those countries sanctioned by the US
 1516 Government.

1517 265. <u>Trade with China</u>: We support a re-examination of our trading relationship with China based on
1518 America's economic and foreign policy interests. America should not be dependent on a communist
1519 country for critical medical or technological resources, including prescription drugs like penicillin. Critical
1520 infrastructure such as internet or cabling, electrical or power, or water facilities should not be owned by
1521 Chinese or communist companies.

- 1522 266. <u>People's Republic of China Aggression</u>: China's aggression in the South China Sea endangers
 international trade routes and infringes on allied nations' sovereignty. The cybersecurity threat posed by
 China continues to grow. We support the people of Hong Kong in their quest for freedom and democracy
 and call for China to honor its agreements with the United Kingdom.
- **267.** <u>Foreign Policy</u>: We support a foreign policy that relies on peace through strength; putting America first, providing for our national defense, and avoiding foreign deployments or entanglements. We support foreign aid only to America's allies who share our values. We support a free-market economy, private humanitarian aid to developing countries, continued favorable treatment of proven allies, censure of adversarial entities that seek destruction of other countries, and strong policy on confronting terrorists. We strongly oppose religious or ethnic cleansing. We oppose US aid to any foreign entity that consistently votes against our interests or is openly hostile to our nation.
- 1533 **268.** <u>Foreign Defense</u>: We oppose any action, military or otherwise, or any other involvement in an 1534 undeclared war by the US Congress.
- 1535 **269.** <u>Iran and North Korea</u>: We oppose development of nuclear weapons by Iran and North Korea, and we oppose easing sanctions on either country until their hostile behavior and nuclear proliferation cease.
- 1537 **270.** <u>Israel</u>: We respect Israel's rights of sovereignty, self-determination, and self-defense and therefore1538 support:

1539	a.	The US Embassy in Israel relocation to Jerusalem, Israel's eternal and indivisible capital.
1540	b.	Israel's sovereignty over the Golan Heights.
1541	c.	Israel's right to exist, right to secure borders, and right to the land secured by practicing
1542		self-defense from aggressive enemies.
1543	d.	Prohibition of a Palestinian state within the historical borders of Israel, as it would
1544		jeopardize Israel's security and it would force Israel to give up land that God gave to the
1545		Jewish people as referenced in Genesis.
1546	e.	Israel's maintaining a qualitative military edge over any and all adversaries through
1547		continued support militarily, financially, and technologically.
1548	f.	Prohibition of the anti-Semitic Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) movement as a
1549		form of warfare being waged upon Israel, on all levels, including and especially on college
1550		campuses, at the United Nations, and by anti-Western nongovernmental organizations.

271. <u>Taiwan</u>: We call upon the United States to move toward full diplomatic recognition of Taiwan as an
 independent and sovereign nation and to renew our commitment to defend our security and vital economic

- 1553 interests in the Western Pacific region in the face of China's military provocations, which threaten its
- 1554 neighbors and critical maritime trade routes.
- 272. <u>One World</u>: The United States is a sovereign nation founded on the principles of freedom. We reject
 any assertion of authority over our nation or its citizens from foreign individuals or entities, such as the
 World Economic Forum, World Health Organization, and the United Nations. We reject the concept of a
 One World Government, or The Great Reset.
- 1559 **273.** <u>United Nations</u>: The United Nations is a detriment to the sovereignty of the United States and other 1560 countries; because of this we support:
- 1561 a. Our withdrawal from the current United Nations. 1562 b. The removal of the United Nations from United States soil. 1563 c. The opposition to placement of US troops under command of the United Nations. 1564 d. The rejection of all Agenda 21 and Agenda 2030 policies and programs. 1565 e. The rejection of all related NGOs, councils, and environmental programs. 1566 f. A zero-budget allotment of American tax dollars to any United Nations programs. 1567 g. The opposition to any designation of World Heritage Sites in the United States and 1568 especially in Texas. 1569 h. Withdrawal from the UN Arms Trade Treaty. 1570 Withdrawal from the corrupt World Health Organization (WHO). i. 1571 Prohibition of any Global Pandemic Treaty, International Health Regulations (IHR), or j. amendments to IHR that would infringe on our national sovereignty. 1572 1573 k. A credible, impartial, and international investigation into the WHO's and China's actions 1574 regarding the COVID-19 pandemic. 1575 Ι. Withdrawal from the UN International Baccalaureate Organization. 1576 m. The rejection of the ratification of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. 1577 n. The rejection of any attempt to allow the United Nations or any other foreign entity to levy 1578 taxes on the United States or its citizens.

1580 **Resolutions**

<u>2020 Election</u>: We believe that the 2020 election violated Article 1 and 2 of the US Constitution, that
 various secretaries of state illegally circumvented their state legislatures in conducting their elections in
 multiple ways, including by allowing ballots to be received after November 3, 2020.We believe that
 substantial election fraud in key metropolitan areas significantly affected the results in five key states in
 favor of Joseph Robinette Biden Jr.

We reject the certified results of the 2020 Presidential election, and we hold that acting President Joseph Robinette Biden Jr. was not legitimately elected by the people of the United States. We strongly urge all Republicans to work to ensure election integrity and to show up to vote in November of 2022, bring your friends and family, volunteer for your local Republicans, and overwhelm any possible fraud.

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1591 2. <u>Resolution against the Gang of 20 Gun Control bill</u>:

- 1592 Whereas those under 21 are most likely to be victims of violent crime and thus most likely to need to 1593 defend themselves.
- 1594 Whereas "red flag laws" violate one's right to due process and are a pre-crime punishment of people not 1595 adjudicated guilty.
- 1596 Whereas waiting periods on gun purchases harm those who need to acquire the means of self defense in 1597 emergencies such as riots.
- 1598 Whereas all gun control is a violation of the Second Amendment and our God given rights.
- 1599 We reject the so called "bipartisan gun agreement", and we rebuke Senators John Cornyn (R-Texas),
- 1600 Thom Tillis (R-N.C.), Roy Blunt (R-Mo.), Bill Cassidy (R-La.), Susan Collins (R-Maine), Lindsey Graham
- 1601 (R-S.C.), Rob Portman (R-Ohio), Mitt Romney (R-Utah) and Pat Toomey (R-Pa.).