

Resolution in Support of HB1359

The Denton County Republican Party has met on the 15 of April, 2021, and has agreed upon and resolved the following:

WHEREAS, Sovereignty can belong only to the people, and cannot belong to any government; and the government of the United States derives its lawful authority from the people of the individual States; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Constitution is a contract between free and independent States, to which each State is bound only by its own voluntary act; and

WHEREAS, the federal bureaucracy is unaccountable, invasive, and operates outside the limitations imposed on it by the U.S. Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. government no longer represents the purposes for which the States formed the Union; and

WHEREAS, needless federal regulations cripple entrepreneurial initiative and the creation of wealth, and there is no realistic hope of returning the federal bureaucracy back to its proper, constitutional role; and

WHEREAS, the federal government borrows and spends in a reckless and unsustainable manner; its debt is currently over \$30 Trillion; and

WHEREAS, Texans pay \$103-\$160 billion more per year into the federal treasury than the State gets back in federal funding; and

WHEREAS, Texas explicitly reserves in its own Constitution the inalienable right of Texans "to alter, reform, or abolish their government in such manner as they may think expedient;" and

WHEREAS, all governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Legislature currently has the power to pass a bill that would allow Texans to vote on the issue of independence; and

WHEREAS, in the 87th Session of the Texas Legislature, Representatives Kyle Biedermann authored and filed HB1359 with the Texas House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, Representative James White has joint-authored this bill; and

WHEREAS, Representatives Jeff Cason, Bryan Slaton, Phil Stevenson, and Steve Toth coauthored the bill; and

WHEREAS, be it known that HB1359, also known as the Texas Independence Referendum Act, if passed, will place a Referendum Proposition on the general ballot for November 2021; and

WHEREAS, the people would be given the question of “Should the legislature of the State of Texas submit a plan for leaving the United States of America and establishing an independent republic?”; and

WHEREAS, if this resolution passes both the State House and State Senate and is endorsed by the governor of Texas, it will allow for open campaigns and free debates on the pros and cons of reestablishing Texas as an independent republic; and

WHEREAS, no politician has any grounds to deny the people of Texas the ability to express their will in a referendum; and any attempt to stop a referendum is inherently anti-democratic

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Denton County Republican Party supports the passage of HB1359; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that passage of HB1359 will be a priority for the Denton County Republican Party; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Denton County Republican Party is sending a strong message to our Texas legislators concerning the importance of HB1359, and letting the people’s voices be heard on the issue of Texas Independence; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to all legislators in Texas, including the Governor and Lieutenant Governor, and posted on the Denton County Republican Party website, and forwarded to other RPT County Executive Committees to use at their will; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Denton County Republican Party will devote appropriate resources towards the development and execution of a campaign to inform Texas republican voters of the importance of this proposition.