Report of the Resolutions That Passed the 2026 Senate District 8 Resolutions Committee
To Be Presented to the Senate District 8 Convention
On 3/28/2026

Principles

1. **Amend Principle 5 to:** Personal accountability and responsibility, including obeying laws, following rules, and speaking truth.

Constutional Issues

2. **Remove plank 17 as it has passed as a TX Constitutional Amendment in 2025:** ~~Parental Rights: The rights of parents are foundational to Western society and shall be respected, affirmed, and protected by the Texas Constitution and Texas Law. Furthermore, it is imperative that the Texas Legislature pass a Parental Rights Amendment to be added to the Texas Constitution in order to secure these rights for future generations. We call upon the Legislature to properly recognize and affirm the fundamental right of parents to make all decisions regarding the upbringing and control of their children in all aspects, especially in light of the grievous violations of the Texas education system. Any failure to recognize, protect, or honor these fundamental rights shall be actionable. No parent exercising any of these fundamental rights shall be prosecuted as domestic terrorists.~~

3. **Remove plank 24:** ~~Article 5 Convention of States: The Texas Legislature shall extend the call for a Convention of States to impose fiscal restraints on the federal government, limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government, and limit the terms of office of federal officials and members of Congress~~

4. **Add a new plank**: The Republican Party believes that a person who has been a member of a designated terrorist organization shall be bared from elected or appointed office.

5. **Add a new plank**:The Republican party of TX opposes any adult from being forced to participate in any religion or religious practice against his or her will.

Business. Commerce and Transportation

6. **Amend plank 25 to:** Municipal Preemption: 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~~ plastic bags, sick leave, trees, and employee criminal screening. We support preemption of city ordinances which prohibit or penalize private charity to United States citizens. This excludes the handling of emergency orders, local zoning ordinances, subdivision regulations, and building codes.

7. **Change plank 51 to:** ~~Toll Roads: We call on the Texas Legislature to abolish existing toll roads and prohibit future construction, returning responsibility for road construction and maintenance to the appropriate jurisdiction.~~
We call on the Texas Legislature to end any toll road once the initial construction bond has been repaid, returning responsibility for road maintenance to the appropriate jurisdiction at that time.

8. **Move plank 61** out of the subcategory, 'Privacy, Information Freedom, Internet' and into 'Markets and Regulation.'

9. **Add a new plank**: The Texas Legislature should study the rising costs of, and diminishing access to, homeowners and auto insurance, and take action to address the issues, if appropriate.

10. **Add new plank**: The Republican Party of Texas calls for foreign governments or foreign business entities to be banned from purchasing and or owning real estate in Texas.

11. **Add new plank**: The Republican Party of Texas calls on the state of Texas to pass laws and or regulations requiring English proficiency for all commercial drivers in conformity with federal law.

12. **Add new plank**: The Republican Party of Texas calls on the Texas Legislature to grant the same authority to Texas counties that Texas municipalities possess to adopt zoning regulations and to regulate subdivision developments in unincorporated areas. Excluding areas within an Extra Territorial Jurisdiction.

Education

13. **Amend plank 90:** Religious Freedom and Government Schools: We demand school administrators and officials protect the rights of students and staff to pray and engage in religious speech, individually or in groups, on school property, without government interference. ~~We urge the Legislature and the State Board of Education to require instruction on the Bible, servant leadership, and Christian self-governance. We support the use of chaplains in schools to counsel and give guidance from a traditional biblical perspective based on Judeo-Christian principles with the informed consent of a parent.~~

14. **Amend plank 91 by adding:** (i) The Republican Party of Texas urges rescinding The Bluebonnet Curriculum, and returning the Texas student curriculum to local control.

15. **Amend plank 105 by adding:** (d) Further all government funded grants, scholarship, or loan opportunities should be awarded to United States citizens.

16. **Remove plank 113, Parental Consent, since it is already covered in plank 89**: ~~We insist on informed parental consent for all medical care, counseling, etc., for all minors.~~

Health and Human Services

17. **Amend plank 147:** Toxic Exposure: We support the immediate implementation of the Toxic Exposure Research Act of 2016, which will ensure that the federal government will establish a database on all exposed veterans and their families and descendants. The State of Texas shall prohibit the ~~addition~~ use of ~~sodium fluoride or~~ any ~~other~~ chemicals deemed dangerous, carcinogenic, harmful, or poisonous ~~to community water systems~~.

Criminal and Civil Justice

18. **Add a new plank:** If a child under age 16 is missing from school due to unknown reasons, and unable to be located after three days, the school is required to report it to police as a missing child.

19. **Add a new plank:** The Republican Party of Texas opposes any parallel religious based legal systems, such as Sharia Law, that prevents persons from having free access to federal, state, or municipal courts, or other tribunals recognized by law, as guaranteed by the US and Texas Constitutions.

20. **Add a new plank**: The Republican Party of Texas opposes the creation of No-Go Zones, as have been arising in Europe, and no area in Texas shall prohibit or interfere with law enforcement efforts by law enforcement agencies with jurisdiction over the area.

21. **Add a new plank**: The Republican Party of Texas calls for
(a) the investigation of religious based financial institutions to ensure compliance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations and
(b) the enforcement of any such laws and regulations, including prosecution of any discovered violations.

State Affairs

22. **Remove plank 189 so as not to trap people in marriage:** ~~No-Fault Divorce: The Texas Family Code shall be completely rewritten with regards to No-Fault Divorce and Child Custody. Suits related to these topics shall be delineated in such a way as to remove the need for any but the most minimal judicial interaction, and promote the maintenance of the traditional family via required intervention or counseling prior to any decree of divorce. We urge the Legislature to rescind unilateral no-fault divorce laws, to 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.~~

23. **Remove plank 197 since most of it is already law:** ~~Property Annexation and De-Annexation: Homeowners and landowners in an area proposed for annexation shall have the right to vote to approve or reject the annexation, including infill development~~

~~zones (IDZ), regardless of the population of the county. No annexation can occur within 45 days of any election. In any city with a population of over 250,000, any neighborhood can elect to de-annex and reincorporate as a new city – for any reason – provided they receive at least 50% plus one vote of those voting in a regular election and living within the defined de-annexation boundaries~~

24. **Replace plank 201 (a) from** ~~The State of Texas shall prohibit the sale of all real estate interests within its borders to all except American citizens (defined by current statute) or United States owned and operated corporations. The sole exception to this rule is that a lawful immigrant may own one single family residential property and/or small business.~~
To the following: (a)The Republican Party of Texas calls for foreign governments or foreign business entities to be banned from purchasing and or owning real estate in Texas.

25. **Amend plank 201 by adding.** (d) Private Equity companies or any American entity similar to that are not permitted by law to "veil" the monetary investment in ownership of Texas real estate by a foreign entity or country recognized by federal government agencies to be foreign enemies of our state. If violated, it will be prosecuted by the AG of Texas.

26. **Add a new plank**: We call upon the Texas Legislature to end all formal proclamations except in state of emergencies or legally required public notices during the Legislative session.

Government and Elections Integrity

27. **Amend plank 218 to remove the part that is already law:** Bonds Create Bondage: State and local bond election ballots shall be required to include the amount of debt currently outstanding, current debt service payments, current per capita debt obligations, the amount of new debt being proposed, estimated debt service for the new debt, and estimated per capita burden being proposed. The bond issue must obtain a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of at least 20% of registered 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. ~~Any bond election, at any~~

~~level of government in Texas, must state on the ballot, "This is a tax increase," in bold print~~

28. **Amend plank 219:** Pay-to-Play Endorsement Slates: We oppose "pay-to play" endorsement slates where a candidate has paid or promised to pay to be included. We oppose the use of the Republican brand and logos by private Political Action Committees (PAC) that endorse in the primaries. In addition any PAC that makes expenditures in Texas must make full disclosures and expenditures on Texas elections to the Texas Ethics Commission.

29. **Amend plank 220:** In-Person Election Voting: In-person voting shall be conducted as a single period of ~~time of~~ no more than ~~three~~ eight days with no time gap between the first day of voting and Election Day which shall be a Tuesday. Election Day statutes must be used for the entire voting period.

30. **Amend plank 221** We support the right of eligible voters to cast a ballot in each election once, but we oppose illegal voting, illegal assistance, ~~or~~ allowing votes by ineligible persons, or allowing candidates on the ballot who are ineligible under the TX Elections Code.

31. **Add a new plank**: All political forms used for candidate filings in the state of Texas shall be amended to include the following wording in the Oath that presently ends with "and of the State of Texas" to "and swear I do not have any allegiance to, or adhere to, any other form of government than our Constitutional Republic."

National and Foreign Affairs

32. **Amend plank 238:** Eliminate Illegal Immigration Magnets: The State of Texas shall impose a 100% surcharge on remittances from an illegal alien to a recipient in a foreign nation. The state shall refuse to grant a birth certificate to any child born to illegal alien parents on Texas soil, shall require proof of legal residency for obtaining a Texas driver's license or for enrolling in public school, and shall require proof of citizenship for obtaining voter registration and public benefits. Texas shall require all employers to

screen new hires through the free E-Verify system to prevent the hiring of illegal aliens and of anyone not legally authorized to work in the United States, and to protect jobs for American workers. No tax dollars shall be provided for social or educational programs for illegal aliens. All existing laws providing for in-state tuition and non-emergency medical care shall be rescinded. All unverifiable foreign-issued identification cards shall be legally invalid in the United States. In addition, the State of Texas should ban the sale of land to illegal aliens and pursue litigation against developers who induce illegal immigration into Texas through marketing Further, we call of Congress to repeal the Hart-Celler Act (Immigration and Nationality Act of 1965)

33. **Amend plank 245:** Dependency on Foreign Nations: We call upon the United States to re-examine our trading relationships based on America's economic and foreign policy interests in order to eliminate dependency on adversarial nations, such as China, for critical medical, technological, energy, and other vital resources. Critical infrastructure such as internet, cabling, electrical, power, and water facilities shall not be owned by companies with ownership in adversarial nations. We call on the State of Texas and the United States Federal Government to investigate and cease all contracts, funding, taxpayer funds, and trading relationships with any entity deemed to be terrorists or connected to a terrorist organization. This includes demanding that the State of Texas's Attorney General immediately investigate any local municipality that is funding a terrorist organization or one who adheres to foreign laws.

34. Remove Plank 250: ~~Foreign Defense: We oppose any offensive foreign military action or any other involvement in a war that has not been declared by the United States Congress. Congress shall not abdicate war powers to the executive branch except when under imminent threat, and these powers are not to be used in 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.~~

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