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RESOLUTION: SUPPORT CREATION OF FAIR LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS (76 words)

WHEREAS, the 2011 legislative district map drawn by GOP greatly created an advantage for that political party at the polls;

WHEREAS, subsequently in the 2018 fall election, Democrats won 53% of all assembly votes cast statewide but only won 36% of the seats;

WHEREAS, this gerrymandering threatens the very concept and survival of democracy in Wisconsin;

THEREFORE, RESOLVED, that the DPW demands a nonpartisan commission be authorized to create fair, logical district boundaries, disregarding political influences.

RESOLUTION: SUPPORT TRANSFER OF SCHOOL LEVY TAX CREDITS AND FIRST DOLLAR CREDITS TO GENERAL SCHOOL AID (100 words)

WHEREAS, the state constitution states “The legislature shall provide by law for the establishment of district schools, which shall be as nearly uniform as practicable;”

WHEREAS, the equalized aid formula is designed to equalize school property tax burdens as much as possible;

WHEREAS, the School Levy Tax Credit and First Dollar Credit are distributed outside the equalized aid formula and create larger discrepancies in school property tax burden;

THEREFORE, RESOLVED, that DPW supports the Governor’s proposal to transfer dollars from School Levy Tax Credit and First Dollar Credit into general aids and distribute those dollars through the equalized aid formula.

RESOLUTION: REQUIRE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES TO RELEASE TAX RETURNS

(96 words)

WHEREAS, the Constitution gives states the power to set rules for how presidential elections are held within their borders;

WHEREAS, tax returns provide essential information about candidates’ conflicts of interest;

WHEREAS, presidents as far back as Richard Nixon have released their tax returns;

WHEREAS, at least 25 states have proposed bills in recent years requiring presidential candidates to release tax returns in order to appear on their ballot;

THEREFORE, RESOLVED, that DPW supports requiring presidential candidates to release five years of tax returns before their name can appear on a Wisconsin primary or general election ballot.

RESOLUTION: SUPPORT PROTECTION OF QUALITY WATER SOURCES (97 words)

WHEREAS, clean water is a necessary requirement for healthy living;

WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of Wisconsin residents currently are at risk of consuming drinking water tainted with lead, nitrates, bacteria and other contaminants;

WHEREAS, pesticide, fertilizer and animal waste runoff connected with agricultural methods are causing blue-green algae growth in waterways, adversely impacting recreational activity and endangering public health;

WHEREAS, high-capacity wells utilized in mining and industry draw down aquifers, creating contamination by increased oxygen exposure;

THEREFORE, RESOLVED, that the DPW supports legislation strengthening policies regarding water usage to ensure clean, safe public and private water sources.



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RESOLUTION: FIGHT EVERY EFFORT TO CUT, PRIVATIZE OR WEAKEN SOCIAL SECURITY, INCLUDING ATTEMPTS TO DIMINISH BENEFITS BY CUTTING COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENTS OR REDUCING EARNED BENEFITS (77 words)

WHEREAS, Social Security is a critically important, successful and effective program which prevents nearly half of America's seniors from living in poverty;

WHEREAS, Social Security is an earned benefit funded by the payroll tax levied on the employer and employee;

WHEREAS, reducing Social Security benefit payments would not reduce the deficit, because savings would go into the Social Security Trust Fund, not into the General Fund;

THEREFORE, RESOLVED, that DPW supports no cuts to Social Security benefits.