

### 3. ELECTION REFORM AND INTEGRITY

1 **WHEREAS**, Article I, Section 4, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution empowers  
2 state legislatures, including the General Assembly of the State of Wisconsin, to  
3 prescribe the “Times, Places, and Manner of holding elections”; and  
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5 **WHEREAS**, Article II, Section 1, Clause 2 of the United States Constitution empowers  
6 state legislatures, including the General Assembly of the State of Wisconsin, to direct  
7 the manner of appointing electors for President and Vice President of the United States;  
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10 **WHEREAS**, the legislature of the State of Wisconsin has exercised its authority to  
11 establish election administration procedures for the State (collectively, Wis. Stats. 5 – 12);  
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14 **WHEREAS**, the State of Wisconsin conducted an election on November 3, 2020 (the  
15 Election) for federal offices, including selecting electors for President and Vice President  
16 of the United States; and  
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18 **WHEREAS**, numerous alleged violations of State election statutes occurred before, on,  
19 and after the Election; and  
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21 **WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin Election Commission (WEC) has demonstrated that it is an  
22 unresponsive and unreliable organization; and  
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24 **WHEREAS**, there were many reports of ballot harvesting in cities across Wisconsin  
25 which created an unequal treatment of voters in rural and urban areas, which is a  
26 violation of the US Constitution’s 14th Amendment, often referred to as the “Equal  
27 Protection Clause”; and  
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29 **WHEREAS**, the courts refused to consider sworn affidavits and to permit presentation of  
30 evidence in open court to adjudicate claimed violations of election statutes; and  
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32 **WHEREAS**, despite a substantial percentage of the Wisconsin electorate believing the  
33 reported results of the Election were suspect, these suspect results were nonetheless

34 certified on November 30, 2020 by Ann Jacobs, chairwoman of the Wisconsin Elections  
35 Commission, and by Gov. Tony Evers; and

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37 **WHEREAS**, without open adjudication of claimed violations of State elections statutes,  
38 and "while President Trump's campaign continues to pursue legal options for  
39 Wisconsin ... with the final outcome still pending in the courts (Andrew Hitt, WIGOP  
40 Chair)," it was nonetheless "an honor" for Gov. Tony Evers to preside, on December 14,  
41 2020, over the vote by the Democrat Party electors for President and Vice-President;  
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44 **WHEREAS**, the confidence of the electorate that the election results are accurate and in  
45 accordance with applicable law is the bedrock upon which our Constitutional Republic  
46 is built; and

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48 **WHEREAS**, Assembly Resolution 3 (AR3), introduced by Rep. Scott Allen and  
49 subsequently passed by the State Assembly on January 4, 2021:

50 1. Recognizes that citizens' confidence in electoral integrity is the source from which  
51 government obtains legitimacy.

52 2. Provides numerous examples of violations of State election laws which occurred in  
53 the Election, eroding governments' legitimacy.

54 3. Recognizes failures of the executive branch and its administrative agencies, of the  
55 legislative branch and of the judicial branch, all contributing to an erosion of  
56 governments' legitimacy.

57 4. Resolved "that when there are significant portions of the population that question  
58 the integrity of elections due to the failure of elections officials to follow the law, it is  
59 incumbent upon the legislature to address the issues that are in question," and further

60 5. Resolved "that the members of the Wisconsin State Assembly place the redress  
61 to these and other election law violations and failed administrative procedures as its  
62 highest priority and shall take up legislation to ensure civil officers follow the law as  
63 written:"; now, therefore, be it

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65 **RESOLVED**, That the Republican Party of Wisconsin's Eighth Congressional District, in  
66 Caucus assembled, supports the statements and intent of AR3, and urges the Wisconsin

67 legislature (Assembly and Senate) to, without delay, act upon its provisions; and be it  
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70 **RESOLVED**, That the Republican Party of Wisconsin's Eighth Congressional District, in  
71 Caucus assembled, asks the Wisconsin Legislature to hold hearings and investigate  
72 irregularities in the elections of 2020 and to hold accountable the WEC, the agency  
73 that has caused such unprecedented turmoil; be it further

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75 **RESOLVED**, That the Republican Party of Wisconsin's Eighth Congressional District, in  
76 Caucus assembled, insists the Wisconsin Legislature enforce the laws against ballot  
77 harvesting and impose severe penalties on those who engage in this practice; and now,  
78 be it further

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80 **RESOLVED**, That the Republican Party of Wisconsin's Eighth Congressional District, in  
81 Caucus assembled, recommends that the WEC be dissolved and eliminated, and that  
82 the Wisconsin State Legislature assume the duties and functions of the WEC.