

**\*\*\* PROPOSED NEW LANGUAGE \*\*\***

**WAGONER COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY CORE CONSERVATIVE VALUES**

We believe;

1. In limited, efficient government; individual liberty, natural God-given rights; and personal moral integrity and responsibility.
2. Moral integrity and good character are a must in all elected officials; Character counts.
3. Our rights of life, liberty, and property are natural rights granted to us by God, protected by the Constitution, and to be defended by our elected officials.
4. God is the Author and Creator of life and that all human life, both born and unborn, should be protected.
5. The religion clause of the First Amendment was meant to protect individuals' freedom of religion, not remove religion from public life and in the right to worship as we please without government intrusion or interference.
6. Traditional marriage consists of one man and one woman, with those two exclusive human gender identities determined at conception and solely on the presence or absence of the Y chromosome in human DNA.
7. The Constitution of the United States is the supreme law of the land and should be interpreted according to the original intent of the founding fathers.
8. Our founding fathers based our Declaration of Independence, Constitution and Bill of Rights on the Bible and traditional Judeo-Christian ethics and values, and those documents are the basis for law, order and social behavior.
9. That we are to function as a Constitutional Republic with undefined state power as described in the Constitution, where Oklahoma Sovereignty is considered constitutionally superior to a Federal government that has limited and defined power, and our State Sovereignty must be protected by State elected officials.
10. The Federal government's power is constitutionally limited, with the primary responsibility being defense of our liberty, by protecting National sovereignty and establishing justice under the law.
11. In the right under the 2nd Amendment for citizens to keep and bear arms.
12. Economic freedom is the cornerstone of individual liberty and the private sector and free market principles are the best to stimulate economic development rather than government subsidies or programs.
13. Revenues collected at all levels of government should be used only for well-defined, legitimate government functions, and should be carried out efficiently so that tax rates may be kept as low as possible.
14. The primary goal of public schools should be to teach proficiency in the basic subjects of phonics-based reading, written and oral communication, mathematics, sciences, traditional history, founding documents and the Godly heritage of our nation, with a focus on developing one's ability to reason.
15. The Federal government has no constitutional role in education.
16. It is the right of every parent to act in their children's best interest including health decisions and choosing the form of their education, whether at a public school, private school, or homeschool.
17. Welcoming immigrants who want to legally seek freedom and opportunity, who want to work and who will embrace our values, learn the English language and respect our Union's border and State's sovereignty.

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## STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES

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### We believe in Limited Government, Individual Liberty & Personal Responsibility

#### **Governing**

- We believe in limited government.
- We believe life; liberty and the pursuit of happiness are all God given rights and are protected under the Constitution.
- We believe the Constitution is the supreme law and should be interpreted consistent with the original intent of our Founding Fathers.
- We believe under the Constitution, only Congress can make laws (Article 1, Section 1), Executive and Judicial authority is limited to those powers enumerated in constitution, all other powers belong to the states.
- We support the right under the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment for all citizens to keep and bear arms.
- We support term limits and a balanced budget requirement.

#### **Right to Life**

- We believe in the sanctity of life from conception to natural death.
- We oppose abortion and support adoption.
- We support adult, but not fetal stem cell research.

#### **Religious Freedom**

- We believe no citizen or business should be forced to act in opposition to his conscience.
- We believe voicing ones religious beliefs and freedom of worship is protected by the First Amendment.
- We support retaining the religious significance of holidays and public displays.

#### **Education**

- We believe the U.S. Department of Education should be eliminated, with education being managed at the state and local level.
- We believe it is the right of parents to choose the form of their children's education.
- We believe parents should be allowed to use education tax (credit) dollars for the family's choice of schooling.

#### **Taxation**

- We believe taxes collected at all levels of government should only be used for constitutionally allowed functions.
- We support replacing the federal income tax with a form of national sales tax, flat tax, or Fair Tax.
- We support the elimination the IRS.

#### **Health Care**

- We oppose nationalized medicine (ACA or "Obamacare")

#### **Family**

- We believe in traditional marriage between one man and one woman.

#### **Immigration**

- We oppose any form of amnesty and support strong border security.
- We support enforcement of current immigration laws.
- We believe we should welcome immigrants who legally seek freedom and desire citizenship.
- We support English as the legal national language.

#### **Defense**

- We support a strong national defense and advocate "peace through strength".
- We support fighting terrorists and organizations that support them.

#### **Foreign Policy**

- We support policies that protect all US embassies and allies.
- We oppose any UN control command of our military forces at home or abroad.
- We believe no international treaty should be entered by the State Department or president without 2/3 approval of the Senate.
- We support US withdrawal from the UN.

### **Election Reform**

- We believe all voters must be registered and support the requirement for voters to show their government issued photo ID before voting.
- We believe election fraud and voter intimidation must be firmly prosecuted and punished.

### **General**

- We believe constitutional eligibility must be verified for any candidate for office.
- We believe it is the private sector free market principles that best stimulate economic development with minimum government regulation and no subsidies.
- We support strict law enforcement and punishment for all crimes, including the use of the death penalty.
- We support abolishment of hate crime laws.
- We support tort reform.
- We support elimination of toll roads.
- We support elimination of government funding for Public Broadcasting, Endowment for the Arts, or similar activities.