



Alaska Republican Party

ELECTION INTEGRITY RESOLUTION

A Resolution of the Alaska Republican Party Supporting Election Integrity and Requesting the Alaska State Legislature to Enact Specific Protocols to Ensure Elections in Alaska are Free From Manipulation, Corruption, and Fraud.

WHEREAS, all Alaskans have a right to expect elections to be a fair and honest process that ensures the basic principle of “One person. One vote,” and

WHEREAS, it is the statutory responsibility of the Office of Lieutenant Governor to oversee the election process in the State of Alaska, and

WHEREAS, by State Law, the Division of Elections is Responsible for maintaining an accurate voter database, and

WHEREAS, Alaska’ election officials have an obligation under the law to provide publicly-verifiable information to validate the integrity of each and every election, and

WHEREAS, the public has been vocal that the electronic voting system being used in Alaska may be susceptible to intrusion from outside organizations, hacking, manipulation, and malfunctioning algorithms, and

WHEREAS, timely review of the accuracy of the voter rolls and purging of names no longer eligible to vote in Alaska, while in accordance with current state and federal laws, may not be sufficient to preserve voter security, and

WHEREAS, Alaska law permits mail-in balloting, in addition to absentee voting, and

WHEREAS, Anchorage has adopted a virtually exclusive mail-in election process, and

WHEREAS, mail-in voting is ripe for corruption as there is no verification process that ballots mailed to a specific person at a specific address actually are received and used by the designated voter when voting, and

WHEREAS, voters approved Ballot Measure 2 which established an “open primary” and “ranked choice voting” process for all statewide elections, and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Supreme Court has ruled that the open primary and ranked choice voting process is legal, and

WHEREAS, this ruling has created uncertainty in the election process and concern that the “One person. One vote” principle will no longer exist since a voter may choose up to four candidates in the primary and through the ranked choice process voters will be disenfranchised, thereby further eroding confidence in the integrity of the election process, and

WHEREAS, this court ruling further undermined voter confidence in the integrity of the election process, and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Supreme Court ruled on October 12, 2020 that verification signatures on absentee and mail-in ballots was not required for the November 2020 election, and

WHEREAS, this ruling created the ability for voter fraud by removing any potential verification that the person casting the vote was actually the person registered to vote, and

WHEREAS, this court action has further undermined voter confidence in the integrity of the election process, and

WHEREAS, Alaska law permits a person to designate a representative to deliver their ballot on Election Day, and

WHEREAS, some states have established more liberalized ballot delivery requirements that permit anyone to collect and deliver election ballots from any other person, also known as “Ballot Harvesting,” and

WHEREAS, Ballot Harvesting may provide the ability for voter fraud by removing a verifiable “chain of custody” process from elections, and

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2016, voters approved automatic voter registration whereby a person is automatically registered to vote when applying for the Permanent Fund Dividend program, unless they opt-out, and

WHEREAS, this action further creates a potential for non-citizens and other person’s not legally entitled to vote to become registered in the State of Alaska, and

WHEREAS, the Republican National Committee established a Committee on Election Integrity and started permanent nation-wide Election Integrity operations to counter the recent efforts to undermine legitimate elections, and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Republican Party endorses the Republican National Committee efforts at preserving the cornerstone of our constitutional republic, and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Republican Party supports election integrity and the ability to conduct fair, open, honest, and accurate elections that represent the true will of the people in determining who represents them at all levels of government.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: To ensure fair and honest elections, and to preserve the underlying principle of “One person. One vote.” the Alaska Republican Party recommends the following changes to the election process within the State of Alaska be codified:

1. The Alaska Republican Party supports abolishing Ballot Measure 2, the “Open Primary” and “Ranked Choice Voting” process.
2. The Alaska Republican Party supports legislation that prohibits mail-in ballot elections statewide, except for traditional absentee voting already established in state law.
3. The Alaska Republican Party supports legislation that would prohibit distributing unsolicited absentee ballots statewide.
4. The Alaska Republican Party supports requiring absentee ballots be notarized to ensure voter identification validity.
5. The Alaska Republican Party supports eliminating the Permanent Fund Dividend automatic voter registration process to protect non-citizens from accidentally or improperly being registered to vote in the State of Alaska and protecting them from being registered to vote without their knowledge or consent.
6. The Alaska Republican Party supports legislation prohibiting “Ballot Harvesting.”
7. The Alaska Republican Party supports requiring in-person voting with proper identification such as a driver's license; state voter identification card; or other current and valid photo identification, like a military ID or passport, at designated polling locations on Election Day and prohibit all mail-in ballots statewide, except for traditional absentee ballots.
8. The Alaska Republican Party supports requiring every election process to use a paper ballot that must be securely retained within each voting jurisdiction for a period of no less than 22 months, which can be later used to conduct a manual recount to verify election results against an automated system results.
9. The Alaska Republican Party supports strengthening the provisions of AS 15.20.081(d) to prevent successful challenges to the adult signature verifier requirement.
10. The Alaska Republican Party supports the Legislative Budget and Audit Division to conduct an external forensic audit of the current electronic voting systems to verify security and the integrity of the system, to include a full analysis of each system data-logs, software and firmware, to specifically confirm there are no manipulative or malfunctioning algorithms imbedded in the infrastructure.
11. The Alaska Republican Party supports legislation requiring the Division of Elections to conduct a database audit of all registered Alaskan voters and purge those who are no longer eligible voters within the State of Alaska at least thirty days before and not earlier than one hundred and eighty days before any statewide election.

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