2022 Washoe Dems Platform

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Democrats generally have a positive view of government as a vehicle through which we reformulate national, state, and local goals for our society and establish policies through which we achieve these goals. We urge our elected officials to continue to promote the ideals, principles, and philosophy of the Democratic Party even in the face of intransigent opposition.

We work to create an economic, political, social, cultural, and physical environment in which individuals have the freedom and opportunity to achieve their individual goals and to pass on to the next generation an enhanced environment in its multiple dimensions. We believe freedom of religion begins with freedom from religion. Religious conviction, no matter how deeply held, does not allow anyone to impose their beliefs, values, or taboos upon others.

ECONOMIC POLICY

We believe that government has an important role to play in maintaining a strong economy that works for all of the people, protects the environment, addresses climate change, and supports workers' rights. We believe that all corporations and individuals should pay their fair share of taxes and therefore, we support a wealth tax, legislation that addresses tax loopholes and that increases the IRS's enforcement budget. We also support increased investment in infrastructure including the addition of Community Benefit and Project Labor Agreements as law.

EDUCATION

The social, political, and economic health of our communities, our state, and our country depend on a well-educated citizenry. All children have the right to a free, well-rounded, differentiated, and evidence-based public education. We oppose diverting education funding away from public schools and we support guaranteed funding including sufficient resources to lower class sizes and provide competitive pay and benefits. We support teachers as educational professionals whose voices should be included in educational decision-making.

ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY

We believe that clean water and air are basic human rights. We believe that public health and quality of life require a thriving ecosystem that supports native fish, wildlife and plant populations, as well as vibrant local agriculture and farming. We believe that public lands must remain public, and be healthy and appropriately accessible for all. We support accelerated implementation of renewable energy production and storage capabilities, while recognizing that we must also consider the economic and environmental consequences of the transition away from dependence on fossil fuels. We support programs and policies that promote sustainable water use and fair water rights. We support science-based programs and policies that comply with environmental protection, remediation, and conservation standards, address global climate change, and ensure a healthy, appropriately accessible environment.

JUSTICE

EQUALITY

We believe Nevadans' rights as enumerated in the U.S. and State Constitutions, the Bill of Rights and succeeding amendments, must be protected and respected and that violations must be aggressively prosecuted to protect those rights. We believe discrimination of any kind against an individual and their community is not acceptable and laws enabling discrimination must be reformed to protect marginalized people. We believe all citizens of the United States have a right to equal representation, protection of their votes, and equal application of law, and any effort to deny or weaken those rights is itself a violation of an individual's constitutional rights. We support pay equality within the workplace and a policy that takes into account the wealth inequality in this nation, and adjusts taxing equality accordingly.

ELECTIONS

We support full, free, and fair elections with maximum ability for citizens' voices to be heard, widely available and non-discriminatory election locations, reasonable early voting periods, and vote-by-mail without restriction. We support voting with verifiable paper trails in addition to proven reliable voter verification methods for ballots that do not disenfranchise the voter and the ability to deliver a ballot on behalf of another unable to do so, with currently existing safeguards against fraud.

GUNS

We support the right to bear arms in a responsible manner.

HEALTHCARE

We believe that healthcare is a basic human right.

HOUSING

We recognize that adequate, safe shelter is a basic human right. We support access to affordable housing for all persons, regardless of income.

IMMIGRATION

We recognize the legacy of the robust contribution of immigrants to the economic and social well-being of our communities, state and country.

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

We support the Passage of the PRO-ACT before Congress as introduced.

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Washoe Dems Platform Planks 2022

Economic Policy

- 1. We support increased public investment in infrastructure, education, clean energy, public transportation, and basic scientific research as elements of a comprehensive fiscal policy that supports sustainable economic growth and ameliorates the climate crisis.
- 2. We support additional programs (including low-interest loans) to encourage growth in small and rural businesses, especially those owned by women and minorities.
- 3. We believe that priority for federal aid should be given to states, municipalities, school districts, and other public or governmental entities before being given to non-public businesses, banks, or other private entities.
- 4. We oppose any efforts to privatize or otherwise inhibit the United States Postal Service and encourage the appointment of a new Postmaster General who sees the USPS as a valuable national asset. We support allowing the postal service to reinstate postal banking services.
- 5. We oppose the privatization of government functions and services and the out-sourcing of public sector jobs.
- 6. We support strong antitrust enforcement policies as specified by the <u>Sherman Antitrust Act of 1890</u> and the <u>Clayton Antitrust Act of 1914</u> in order to sustain meaningful competition across all markets. We support anti-trust action in those markets where the top entities together constitute more than half of the market and so competitive pricing cannot exist.
- 7. We support accountability and transparency in our financial systems and legislation such as the <u>Dodd–Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act</u> that is aimed at curbing "too-big-to-fail banks," public bail-outs of private businesses and banks, and protecting the public from abusive financial services practices.

- 8. We believe tax abatements and other incentives for new businesses should be prohibited in cases where the new business would thereby gain a competitive advantage over an already existing Nevada-based business.
- 9. We believe that tax abatements and other incentives for new businesses must be structured in ways that do not deprive local public service agencies such as schools, fire and police of the additional revenue necessary to support mandated services in the area.
- 10. We support the separation of commercial and investment banks.
- 11. We support a federally guaranteed jobs program in which the government functions as the employer of last resort, thereby eliminating the need for minimum wage rules and the gigantic bureaucracy that is the unemployment insurance system.
- 12. We support legislation that will allow the government (the taxpayers) to share in profits resulting from patents produced as a result of government-funded research.
- 13. We support the rights of municipalities to operate publicly owned utilities including, but not limited to power, water, and internet infrastructure.
- 14. We support the enforcement of community benefits and prevailing wage standards on all construction projects that receive any type of payments from state or local government sources.
- 15. We believe that all corporations and individuals should pay their fair share of taxes and therefore, we support a wealth tax on the top 1%, as well as legislation that addresses tax loopholes and increases the IRS's enforcement budget.
- 16. We support legislation to institute a Federal stock market transaction tax of not more than .01% in order to protect small traders while curbing volatility especially that caused by high-volume electronic trading.
- 17. We support legislation that will regulate corporate stock buy-backs especially those financed with loans against foreign assets which allow abusive corporate tax avoidance.
- 18. We support removal of the payroll tax income caps for <u>Federal Insurance Contributions</u> <u>Act (FICA)</u> and <u>Medicare</u>.
- 19. We support a gradual phase out of Nevada's real property depreciation tax law.
- 20. We support efforts to require the State government to enforce the careful auditing and collection of already existing mining taxes, as well as to pass a new Nevada minerals depletion tax, the proceeds from which will be invested in a state trust for environmental remediation.
- 21. To prevent multinational corporations from offshoring (sheltering) taxable income, we support an international Unitary Tax whereby corporations are taxed on their worldwide profits and the revenue is allocated to individual countries based on the fraction of the corporation's business operations that are based in each country.
- 22. We urge the United States to take the lead in developing strong international standards for internet security and protection from fraudulent cyber activity of all types. These standards should be implemented as quickly as possible by all public utilities.

- 23. We support strong sanctions on any nation not implementing these internet security standards or interfering in US elections either by covert cyber attacks, manipulation of social media or illegal campaign contributions of any kind.
- 24. We support the development of secure source identity verification extensions to the Internet Protocol. We support absolute individual personal data ownership and a secure verifiable facility where individuals can selectively authorize or prohibit the sharing of their personal data.
- 25. We urge the United States to include the following in all trade agreements: wage, hour, and working standards; the right to organize; enforceable fire and building safety codes; and environmental protection standards.
- 26. We support robust government funding of public broadcasting.

Education

- 27. We advocate for safe, supportive, and inclusive school climates for all students and staff. We condemn discrimination, bullying, and harassment and encourage diversity, equity, and inclusion.
- 28. We believe every student should receive an adequate and equitable allocation of resources to meet their unique needs for a high-quality education.
- 29. We support a well-rounded, standards-based, developmentally appropriate education to include music and the arts, physical education, career and technical education, and STEAM programs in all levels of education.
- 30. We support the use of developmentally appropriate and <u>differentiated</u> assessment strategies which provide all stakeholders with accurate and reliable data to inform future instruction.
- 31. We believe that educators and school staff are professionals who should be included in decision-making bodies that affect their work.
- 32. We strongly support public school educators and staff in their right to organize, join a union, and collectively bargain.
- 33. We support increasing efforts to recruit, retain, and reward high-quality teachers and support professionals, including competitive wages at or above the national average calculated for the cost of living.
- 34. We support the <u>Time for 20 Campaign</u>, which advocates for a 20% raise increase for teachers across the board, reducing class sizes to a maximum of 20, and increasing raises for support staff and paraprofessionals to a minimum of \$20/hour.

- 35. We strongly support public funding for education being limited to supporting public schools.
- 36. We encourage increasing sustainable, reliable funding for all Nevada public schools per recommendations from the Commission on School Funding to insure adequate per-pupil funding, including rural schools, schools in impoverished urban areas, and Bureau of Indian Education schools.
- 37. We support expanding programs that have demonstrated success in helping all families gain access to high-quality childcare, developmentally appropriate early childhood education, and child development programs. Such measures include expanding Head Start and Early Head Start, pre-K for all three- and four-year-olds, mandatory kindergarten for all eligibly aged children, and increased federal funding for services for childcare on college campuses.
- 38. We advocate for free public community college and two-year trade schools for all students.
- 39. We support higher education funding programs that will stop the unhealthy accumulation of student loan debt. We support across the board cancellation of past student debt.
- 40. We support significantly expanding the community school model by employing professionals in the fields of <u>wraparound health care</u>, nutrition services including funding for free school meal programs, before- and after-school programs, and adult education classes.
- 41. We support the implementation of <u>AB19</u>, which expands social studies to include civics, financial literacy, and multicultural education which reflects the important contributions of members of diverse racial, ethnic, and religious backgrounds to American society.
- 42. We endorse protecting the civil rights of students and staff in our schools by appointing judges who will enforce the Civil Rights Act, and increasing funding for the Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights. We support expanding civil rights data collection and informing the public on the status of equal educational opportunity for all children.
- 43. We support anti-bias and cultural competency training for all school staff that will foster cultural sensitivity and an environment free of discrimination for students of diverse racial, ethnic, and religious backgrounds.
- 44. We advocate for an accurate and holistic curriculum that will give students the tools and guidance to honestly face our past and present to create a better future.
- 45. We support the enforcement of <u>Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act</u> and the <u>Americans</u> with Disabilities Act.
- 46. We demand that school governance bodies comply with open meeting laws.
- 47. We insist on accountability that provides clear, accessible, consistent information about how public, charter, and private schools are meeting national standards and their commitments to educate all students.

Environment And Energy

- 48. We support protecting Nevada's right to set science-based environmental standards.
- 49. We support environmental justice for vulnerable communities and populations, and prioritize legislation that includes environmental justice provisions.

Agriculture and Safety

- 50. We encourage eat-local movements, small-scale farming, organic farming, community gardens, farmers' markets, composting programs, and farm-to-table programs as a means to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, reduce pesticide and herbicide use, support public health, connect consumers to local farmers and food production, drive Washoe County economic growth, and provide more humane treatment of animals.
- 51. We support humane, safe working conditions for farm workers as a matter of environmental justice and as a basic human right.
- 52. We support policies and legislation that educate the public on plant-based food choices to reduce reliance on animal-based food systems, a major contributor to greenhouse gas emissions, the root cause of climate change disruption.

Clean Air and Water

- 53. We support sustainable water use and water rights policies that protect streams, river zones, wetlands, springs, lakes, ponds, and other bodies of water.
- 54. We oppose the inter-basin transfer of surface water and groundwater where hydrologic analysis reveals a potentially significant detrimental environmental impact on fish and wildlife habitat and water uses.
- 55. We support effective regulation for groundwater protection including disposal of fracking fluids; injection of any fluids, including infiltration fluids; and require full public disclosure of any chemical constituents contained in these fluids.
- 56. We support the provision of clean drinking water in schools, public buildings, and municipal water systems as a basic human right.
- 57. We support restoring the clarity and cleanliness of Lake Tahoe.

58. We support upholding all facets of Washoe County's <u>Air Quality Management Regulations</u>, in compliance with the <u>Federal Clean Air Act</u>.

Energy Independence

59. We support the production and consumption of renewable energy, including solar, wind, and geothermal, as the primary sources of energy for Nevada, with a Nevada renewable energy portfolio standard of 50% by 2030 and 100% by 2040.

Environmental Protection

- 60. We support programs and policies that address global climate change disruption. We acknowledge that human-induced climate change and global warming are settled science that should be the basis of sound public policy.
- 61. We support continued cooperation with the international community in reducing greenhouse gas emissions through the <u>Paris Climate Accords</u> and other appropriate international, national, state, and local efforts.
- 62. We strongly support full funding for Federal agencies and laws that are critical to environmental protection, including the Environmental Protection Agency, the US Department of Interior, the National Environmental Policy Act, the Endangered Species Act, the Clean Water Act, the Land and Water Conservation Fund, and others that can affect the environment.
- 63. We support legislation for climate justice protection for vulnerable populations, and to combat climate change that supports our goals of fighting all forms of discrimination and economic inequality.
- 64. We oppose the <u>Yucca Mountain Project</u> and similar projects that designate Nevada as a dumping ground for nuclear waste, mercury, and/or other toxic substances.
- 65. We support mining regulation reform that supports environmental remediation.
- 66. We support development and implementation of renewable energy, while at the same time we require that full environmental protections are enacted for projects constructed or conducted in Nevada and elsewhere.
- 67. We support reforms that strengthen consultations with tribal nations by requiring memoranda of understanding prior to issuing permits for mining and other resource extraction.
- 68. We support the adoption of measures to ensure the safety of our workers and communities potentially affected by the transportation, handling, distribution, and disposal of hazardous materials, as a matter of environmental justice and a basic human

right.

Fossil Fuels

- 69. We support the continued phasing-out of fossil-fueled power plants in Nevada, and oppose new fossil fuel infrastructure projects.
- 70. We oppose permitting of fossil fuel extractions via hydraulic fracturing ("fracking") and other forms of oil/gas well stimulation in Nevada.
- 71. We support alternatives to the motor vehicle fuels tax to provide funds for energy conservation, transportation infrastructure, and to encourage electric, hybrid, and other vehicles not dependent upon fossil fuels.
- 72. We support Nevada's <u>"Clean Car" regulations of 2021</u> which advance Nevada's climate action and sustainability goals and reduce harmful air pollution from cars and trucks on Nevada roads.
- 73. We support the mission of environmental climate justice to keep all communities free of pollutants, and to construct green buildings as prescribed by <u>Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design</u> (LEED) standards.

Inclusion

74. We support more diversity and more members of the general public on the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners, the Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife, and other planning and management agencies.

Public Lands

- 75. We support local and regional planning that preserves open space and agricultural lands in a manner that conserves wildlife habitat, maintains habitat linkages, protects water quality, maintains agricultural productivity, and reduces flood risk.
- 76. We support maintaining national stewardship of our federal public lands, and we oppose privatization of public lands via transfer to the states and local agencies. We support policies that keep public lands public, protect native plant and wildlife species, conserve and strengthen protection for natural resources, and increase access for all Americans.
- 77. We support federal legislation designating the currently existing Bureau of Land Management (BLM) wilderness study areas in Washoe County as officially designated wilderness.

- 78. We support full funding for the management of public lands for recreation, watershed values, scenic and cultural resources, open space, and national, state, and local parks, including funding for the Washoe County Open Space and Regional Parks Commission and the Nevada Division for State Parks, part of the Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- 79. We support the full, original designations of National Monuments as established prior to 2017 and after November 2020 in order to preserve their unique cultural, scenic, and biological resources while balanced with meaningful public access for recreation and Education.

Renewable Energy Funding

- 80. We support public funding for development of distributed solar energy on businesses, public buildings, private residences, and multi-dweller structures, including condominiums and apartment buildings.
- 81. We support income-based subsidies for energy efficiency and alternative energy projects on private residences and multi-dweller structures, including condominiums and apartment buildings.
- 82. We support public funding for research and development of new, clean-energy technologies in Nevada, including development of clean, renewable energy production, while assuring that such development is conducted in full compliance with environmental regulations.

Sustainable Transportation

- 83. We support expansion of transportation systems that include bus, rail, and bicycle travel (bike lanes, dedicated bike paths, and bike-accessible public transit) as well as safe walkways and road crossings for pedestrians, including those with disabilities.
- 84. We support incentives for expanded consumer access to electric and hybrid vehicles and other alternatives to fossil-fuel powered vehicles, and for vehicles with increased fuel-efficiency.
- 85. We support expansion and increased funding for public transportation powered by clean, renewable energy.

Trapping

86. We support strengthening enforcement and penalties for those who violate Nevada trapping laws.

Waste Reduction and Recycling

- 87. We support providing recycling collection services to all residents, including those in apartments and multi-unit dwellings, and to all businesses. We also support recycling of construction and commercial waste.
- 88. We support development and implementation of approaches to protect Nevada's ecosystems and neighborhoods by reducing and eliminating single-use plastics such as plastic grocery bags, plastic water bottles and Styrofoam, and to encourage Eco-friendly packaging.
- 89. We support development and distribution of a county-wide education program to promote the 5Rs of Recycling approach (Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Rot).

Wildlife Conservation

- 90. We support increased funding for the Nevada Department of Wildlife (particularly to support its work pertaining to non-game species), the Nevada Department of Water Resources, Nevada State Parks, and other state agencies that support environmental protection.
- 91. We believe that wild or feral equine populations in Nevada should be maintained at a scientifically based, ecologically sustainable population level. Public agencies should be fully funded to manage wild equine populations on public lands.
- 92. We support the flora and fauna of Nevada through scientific management, including wildfire management strategies, of healthy habitats and sustainable wildlife populations, and through legislation conserving and protecting wildlife and tree and other plant species.
- 93. We support legislation that requires use of bear-proof garbage containers in communities within bear habitats.

Justice

- 94. We support funding, governance and legislation to address all aspects of criminal justice and policing reform.
- 95. We believe in a criminal justice system that supports community safety, rehabilitation, and restorative practices for all communities.
- 96. We support federal decriminalization of marijuana.
- 97. We support expunging from an individual's criminal record all low-level drug convictions if penalties have been fulfilled.
- 98. We support abolition of the death penalty
- 99. We advocate legislative policies that promote accountability for law enforcement officers and their employers for violations of the Constitution and the laws of the United States.

Elections and Voting Rights

- 100. We support continuing the use of proven reliable signature verification and oppose photo identification requirements for voting.
- 101. If any new government requirements for voting are instituted, we support free and widely available facilities to help all citizens comply. We support all in-person votes in all elections in Nevada being cast using electronic machines with a verifiable paper trail.
- 102. We support the creation of a public campaign finance system for elections at the local, state, and national levels.
- 103. We support overturning the <u>Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission (558 U.S. 310 (2010))</u> decision, to remove unlimited corporate spending on elections.
- 104. We support maintaining a minimum two-week early voting period, and no-excuse required absentee ballot procedures.
- 105. We support efforts to ensure that the voting process is accessible to all people, including but not limited to ensuring the availability of sign language interpreters, ballots in Braille, language translators, and providing electronic access to ballot text.
- 106. We support restoration of The Voting Rights Act as it existed prior to 2013.
- 107. We support transparency at every stage with voting system software by maintaining the official source code on deposit with the Nevada Secretary of State's office and making it available for public review.

- 108. We support fully funding and implementing automatic voter registration throughout Nevada beyond just through the DMV for all eligible individuals and implementing automatic notification to previous voting jurisdiction.
- 109. We support making transparent all campaign contributions within 24 hours, from all sources including but not limited to 527s, Political Action Committees (PACs), super PACs, bundlers, et cetera.
- 110. We oppose the use of recall petitions to remove duly elected officials unless specific allegations of malfeasance or dereliction of duties are stated on the recall petition.
- 111. We support placing the top two (2) candidates from a primary election onto the general election ballot when there are no other candidates for a given partisan office.
- 112. We support the establishment of a state standard defining gerrymandering.
- 113. We support the passage of <u>HR1</u>, the <u>For the People Act of 2021</u>, which addresses voter access, election integrity, election security, political spending, and ethics for the three branches of government.
- 114. We support restoring and codifying in Federal law the 'Fairness in Broadcasting Doctrine'.
- 115. We support eliminating the <u>Permanent Apportionment Act of 1929</u> which limits the size of Congress.
- 116. We support legislation to establish uniform security standards for all states and territories to conduct fair elections electronically.
- 117. We support including political advertising under Truth in Advertising liability.
- 118. We support voting in jail for Nevadans being held who cannot pay bail and who are not convicted of a crime.

Equality

- 119. We encourage enforcement of legislation to ban discrimination in employment, housing, and public accommodations, and structural historical inequalities be dismantled.
- 120. We support passage of the <u>Equality Act</u>, which amends the <u>Civil Rights Act</u> to prohibit discrimination.
- 121. We support the principle that personal liberties under the Bill of Rights should apply only to natural persons, not corporations.
- 122. We believe in the fundamental right of self-determination for each individual to manage their own sexuality, and marriage.

- 123. We support statehood for Washington, D.C.
- 124. We support statehood for Puerto Rico.
- 125. We believe Black Lives Matter.
- 126. We support comprehensive efforts to end violence against the LGBTQIA+ and all other communities.
- 127. We support the "<u>Universal Declaration of Human Rights</u>", adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on 10 December 1948.
- 128. We support all public and private efforts to ensure that Women lead, participate in and benefit equally from governance systems.
- 129. We support all domestic and global efforts that eliminate child marriage, sex trafficking, forced labor and all types of slavery.
- 130. We support reproductive freedom of choice.
- 131. We support the passage of <u>HR40</u>, <u>Commission to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals for African Americans Act</u>.

Gun Safety

- 132. We support a waiting period for all firearm purchases including at gun shows, online, and between private parties, and mandatory universal background checks.
- 133. We support the mandatory surrender of firearms when extended protection orders against domestic violence are issued.
- 134. We support closing the domestic violence "boyfriend loophole"
- 135. We support a federal assault weapons ban and high-capacity magazine ban.
- 136. We support the implementation of a nationwide voluntary surrender and buy-back of weapons.
- 137. We support gun-free zones in all public government venues, and in non-governmental venues which choose to prohibit guns on premises.
- 138. We support raising the age at which an individual can legally own a firearm to 21.
- 139. We support the repeal of Nevada's preemption law, which currently limits the ability to create ordinances to prevent gun violence within local jurisdictions.
- 140. We support removing liability exemption from gun manufacturers when their products are used to commit violent crime.

- 141. We support technology and legislation aimed at keeping children safe and ensuring that firearms are stored safely in gun owners' homes, such as requiring gun locks.
- 142. We support requiring licensed gun dealers to prevent straw-man purchases.
- 143. We support Nevada's right to determine concealed carry reciprocity.
- 144. We support a ban of all untraceable weapons including but not limited to ghost guns.

Healthcare

- 145. We stand for and support affordable and accessible universal health care.
- 146. We oppose discrimination in health care.
- 147. We support access to health and medical care for all, regardless of the ability to pay.
- 148. We support the continued maintenance and improvement of public health efforts.
- 149. We support the expansion of health education and information to the general public.
- 150. We support the restoration of public funding of scientific research into all areas of health and medicine.
- 151. We support the patient protections as originally written in the <u>Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act</u>.
- 152. We support expanded Medicare and Medicaid services, including dental, vision, and hearing care.
- 153. We support the development of a government-run option for health insurance, as originally conceived by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.
- 154. We support expansion of services for adults and children requiring caregivers.
- 155. We believe substance use disorders (substance abuse) should be regarded as a public health issue.
- 156. We encourage the expansion of mental health resources in the State of Nevada.
- 157. We support Medicare and Medicaid being given the authority to negotiate for less expensive, high-quality prescription drugs to be facilitated by prescription pricing transparency.
- 158. We support medical research aimed at preventing and curing disease and alleviating suffering of humans, while minimizing the use of animal experimentation or vivisection.
- 159. We support continued regulation of the medical marijuana industry.
- 160. We support allowing Nevada residents to buy into the Medicaid program in Nevada.

- 161. We support elimination of the "donut hole" in Medicare's prescription drug coverage gap.
- 162. We support the right of all people to have affordable access to all forms of reproductive healthcare, including abortion.
- 163. We support elimination of healthcare inequities for racial and ethnic minorities.
- 164. We support removing Federal barriers for medical cannabis research in public and private institutions.
- 165. We support allowing Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) healthcare professionals to discuss cannabis as an alternative to medications without reprisal or penalty.
- 166. We support equal access to mental and behavioral health in all forms of public and private healthcare.
- 167. We support the repeal of the <u>Hyde Amendment</u> and the <u>Helms Amendment</u>.
- 168. We support the establishment of a state license in Nevada for Certified Professional Midwives.
- 169. We support efforts to expand and enforce healthcare protections for the LGBTQ+ community and the individual's right to determine appropriate healthcare.
- 170. We support scientific research into community safety and public health issues related to guns.
- 171. We support legislative efforts to improve maternal health services for racial and ethnic minority groups, veterans, and other vulnerable populations.

Housing

- 172. We support affordable housing.
- 173. We support enforcement of legislation that bans discrimination in housing and public accommodations.
- 174. We support an overall expansion of rental housing stock in the community.
- 175. We support a Tenants' Bill of Rights.
- 176. We support reparations for years of housing segregation and discrimination.
- 177. We encourage active participation of stakeholders in community planning.

- 178. We oppose any effort to criminalize Nevadans without homes or facing housing insecurity.
- 179. We encourage proactively remedying the structural inequality that remains as a result of the legacy of discriminatory policies, public or private.

Immigration

- 180. We support providing all necessary health care and social services to families in the process of gaining citizenship, which should not negatively impact their path to citizenship.
- 181. We support the <u>Development</u>, <u>Relief</u>, and <u>Education for Alien Minors Act (DREAM)</u>, the <u>Deferred Actions for Parents of Americans and Lawful Permanent Residents (DAPA)</u>, and <u>Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)</u>, including a path to citizenship for DREAMers.
- 182. We support families being allowed to stay in the United States while they apply for citizenship.
- 183. We support Nevada allowing public services to be utilized without fear of reprisal based on immigration status.
- 184. We welcome refugees as classified by the United Nations.
- 185. We support the right of municipalities in Nevada to declare themselves to be Welcoming or Sanctuary Zones.
- 186. We oppose the inhumane treatment of immigrants and asylum-seekers at the border, and the use of <u>Title 42</u>.
- 187. We oppose efforts to criminalize people providing humanitarian aid to refugees and immigrants.
- 188. We support reducing the amount of time that families wait for immigration hearings and improving the staffing of judicial officers.
- 189. We oppose programs that allow collaboration between local law enforcement and federal immigration officials that deport non-violent individuals and separate families.
- 190. We support Nevada's role in refugee resettlement and acceptance of refugees throughout the state.
- 191. We support development and implementation of a comprehensive approach to immigration that clearly lays out processes for entrance into the United States that is fair to all.

Labor & Employment

- 192. We support the Passage of the <u>PRO-ACT</u> (<u>HR 282</u>) as introduced in Congress in order to increase income equity and decrease the widening income disparity between corporate management and their workers.
- 193. We support **Unemployment Earned Benefits** Programs.
- 194. We oppose employment discrimination based on credit history.
- 195. We support labor protections for immigrants.
- 196. We support passage of the Paycheck Fairness Act.
- 197. We support business incubators and mentoring opportunities for minority, female-owned, and small businesses.
- 198. We oppose predatory loan practices
- 199. We support paid sick, parental, family, and medical leave

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