RESOLUTION OPPOSING NATIONAL POPULAR VOTE COMPACT

Whereas, the Constitutional method of electing the President of the United States through the Electoral College was the method deemed best by the founding fathers of the United States of America for ensuring state sovereignty because all states, both large and small, are included in the presidential election process; and,

Whereas, the Constitution preserves the balance of power and authority between the federal and state governments through the mechanism of the Electoral College; and,

Whereas, the Electoral College has been tested and proven itself over 56 presidential elections as the method to best preserve our representative republican form of government, resulting in the election of a President by a majority of electoral votes not a mere plurality; and,

Whereas, the National Popular Vote Compact if successfully implemented would eviscerate the constitutional Electoral College process of electing the President of the United States; and,

Whereas, it is the moral and legal conviction that the Constitution is the supreme law of the land amendable only by means specified within Article V of the Constitution; and,

Whereas, the Constitution is the document that originated our constitutional republic which created the "rule of law", which protects our freedoms, individual liberties, and our right to make individual choices. Those protections would be lost forever as this National Popular Vote Compact would move us from a republic into a pure democracy subjecting us to majoritarian rule; and,

Whereas, the Arizona State Legislature does not have the moral or legal authority to "reassign" the

outcome of the vote of the citizens of Arizona across state borders without the consent of the governed.

Therefore be it **Resolved**, that the Legislative District 27 Republican Committee opposes this attempt to undermine the U. S. Constitution and the Electoral College by way of the National Popular Vote Compact; and,

Further be it **Resolved**, that the Legislative District 27 Republican Committee does fully endorse retaining the constitutionally approved and time-tested Electoral College method of awarding electoral votes to candidates to win the office of the President of the United States of America; And be it further **Resolved**, the Legislative District 27 Republican Committee strongly encourages our Arizona members of the State House and Senate to reject the National Popular Vote Compact and to neither sponsor nor vote in favor of such legislation should it be proposed."