

## **RESOLUTION TO WSDCC RULES COMMITTEE REGARDING RESOLUTIONS**

**Whereas** the Washington State Democrats (WSDCC) 2012 Delegate Selection Plan has postponed the presidential precinct caucuses from February 9<sup>th</sup> (as in 2008) to April 15<sup>th</sup>; and

**Whereas** the legislative district (LD) caucuses will be held on April 28<sup>th</sup>, only 13 days later, and the county conventions are scheduled for April 29<sup>th</sup>, one day after that; and

**Whereas**, in light of the requirement that any proposed LD or county party platform be sent out with the Call to LD Caucus or Call to County Convention 10 days before such caucus or convention, and the further requirement that each proposed resolution follow a certain format and reference (but not duplicate) a particular state platform section, the compressed schedule recently imposed by the WSDCC does not allow sufficient time for an LD or county party platform/resolutions committee to process and conform resolutions proposed at precinct caucuses for action by LD caucuses and county conventions; and

**Whereas** caucuses and county conventions seldom if ever have sufficient time to adequately consider resolutions and conform them to WSDCC requirements; and

**Whereas** any resolutions that arise from precinct caucuses can alternatively be handled according to procedures of the party organization in the LD or county to which they would be referred;

**Therefore, be it resolved** that we urge the WSDCC Rules Committee to amend the 2012 Delegate Selection Plan by (a) removing resolutions from the business of the presidential precinct caucuses and county conventions, and (b) directing that any resolutions arising at presidential precinct caucuses or the ensuing LD caucuses and county conventions be graciously received and handled through existing procedures governing resolutions at LD and county party meetings; and

**Be it further resolved** that the WSDCC Resolutions Committee be advised of this change and consider any adaptations needed as a result.

***Adopted July 26, 2011 by the King County Democratic Central Committee***

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