

# **Individual Resolutions**

Proposed by the NHDP Resolutions Committee for Adopted at the NHDP State Convention on May 11th, 2024.

All Resolutions were Unanimously Adopted by the Resolutions Committee

Topic: A Resolution related to Supporting Ukraine

Primary Sponsor: The NHDP Resolutions Committee

Date Submitted: March 17, 2024

A Resolution related to Supporting Ukraine, for consideration by the New Hampshire

Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, May 11th, 2024.

WHEREAS, a majority of Americans and a majority of Congress want to help Ukraine win the war against Russia and to stop the spread of autocracy into Europe; and WHEREAS, the bipartisan Rebuilding Economic Prosperity and Opportunity for Ukraine Act (HR 4175, S2003) in the US Congress takes important steps to repair the war's damage (1) (2); and

WHEREAS, a majority of people in the European Union and a majority of EU leaders want the same support for Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, a far-right faction of the Republican Party successfully blocked a new spending bill for many months and the prime minister of Hungary, himself a de facto autocrat is, also blocking an EU financial package for Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, at the very beginning of conflict, the US, the EU, the United Kingdom and other democratic governments jointly froze more than \$300 billion in questionable sovereign assets from Russia (1); and

WHEREAS, Russia has perpetrated genocidal violence, and massive infrastructure damage to Ukraine and, therefore, lost any standing to complain about the violation of its sovereignty or property rights;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we urge Congress to ensure the United States, the EU, and their partners and allies ensure that Ukraine is supported in their efforts to win their fight for freedom and has the resources needed to repair critical damage and rebuild their infrastructure.

- (1) https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-bill/4175?s=1&r=26
- (2) https://www.foreign.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/06-14-23\_repo\_act.pdf
- (3) http://www.theatlantic.com/ideas/archive/2023/12/ukraine-russia-frozen-assets/673 90/

Topic: A Resolution to Categorically Reject Hate Speech

Primary Sponsor: Judy Carr

Co-Sponsors: Representative Kat McGhee, Honorable Sue Ford, Ann Garland, Honorable Debora

Pignatelli, Representative Brian Sullivan, Representative Luz Bay, Alan Raff, Senator Cindy

Rosenwald, Honorable Jerry Knirk, Honorable Manny Espitia

Date Submitted: March 17, 2024

A Resolution related to Categorically Reject Hate Speech, for consideration by the New

Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, May 11th, 2024.

WHEREAS, verbal and written threats, media posts, and hateful symbols used to harass

and intimidate Jewish and other populations – especially on college campuses and in

synagogues, which should be sanctuaries for people to pray, study, work, and live – have

dramatically increased over the last few years, and in particular over the last several

months: and

WHEREAS, the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) has reported more than 3,000 antisemitic

incidents in the US between October 7, 2023, and January 7, 2024, representing a 360%

increase over the same period from the previous year; and

WHEREAS, the ADL reports that 35% of these incidents occurred in places of worship and

college campuses; and

WHEREAS, Reuters reports a 178% increase in anti-Muslim incidents between October 7,

2023, and January 9, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Southern Poverty Law Center is tracking over 15 hate groups in New

Hampshire; and

WHEREAS, New Hampshire residents, including students, are not immune from these vile acts, and 36% of young American Jews (18-29 years old) report being the personal target of antisemitism within the last year, a 7.5% increase over last year; and WHEREAS, there is an uptick in hate speech targeting ALL historically marginalized and underrepresented people across the country and here in New Hampshire; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Hampshire Democratic Party categorically rejects any hate speech, writing, or behavior that uses pejorative or discriminatory language with reference to a person or group on the basis of who they are, their religion, ethnicity, nationality, race, color, descent, gender, or other identity factors.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, that the New Hampshire Democratic

Party recognizes that hate speech and behaviors are often employed in the proliferation of conspiracy theories, disinformation, and the denial and distortion of historical events, emphasizing and reinforcing stereotyping and stigmatization.

Topic: Honoring Representative Latha Mangipudi

Primary Sponsor: Nikhil Vootkur

Co-Sponsors: Shideko Terai, Sumathi Madhure, Rep. Luz Bay, Mahendra Bakshi, Ann Lo,

Pratibha Sisodia, Susmik Lama, and Cora Quisumbing-King

Date Submitted: April, 11 2024

A Resolution on Honoring New Hampshire Representative Latha Mangipudi for her

Continued Service and for Breaking the Glass Ceiling for South Asian

Americans, Asian Americans, and South Asian Women in New Hampshire, for

consideration by the New Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, May

11th, 2024.

WHEREAS, Representative Latha Mangipudi, elected to represent Hillsborough (District 11) for six terms since 2013, who sits on the Executive Departments and Administration; and

WHEREAS, her perspective as an immigrant woman of color has been a welcome and needed addition to the New Hampshire House of Representatives, and her groundbreaking status as a South Asian representative in New Hampshire, providing crucial representation, in every sense of the word, for otherwise unheard voices; and WHEREAS, Representative Mangipudi's role as a community organizer has led to broader democratic access and participation among her constituents, especially among Nashua's significant population of naturalized and native-born South Asian Americans, largely in thanks to her unrelenting dedication to grassroots politics and community relations; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the immense obstacles that come with being a voice for minorities in New Hampshire's Congress, namely the many instances of racist and misogynistic vitriol Representative Mangipudi has been subject to at the hands of her colleagues in the New Hampshire House of Representatives; and WHEREAS, in gratitude for the doors Representative Mangipudi has opened, by representing her constituents and being a community leader, for young New Hampshire citizens of color, of immigrant background, and for women to be active participants and leaders within civic duty;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we celebrate the many momentous achievements of Representative Latha Mangipudi and thank her for her continued service to all of those in New Hampshire.

Topic: A Resolution in support of Universal Health Care

Primary Sponsor: Jessica LaMontagne, State Representative, Strafford 17, Dover

Date Submitted: April, 11 2024

A Resolution related to Support of Universal Health Care, for consideration by the New Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, May 11th, 2024.

WHEREAS, we believe we need to move toward universal health care by expanding participation in a single-payer system, such as Medicare, that is affordable and readily accessible; and

WHEREAS, current costs of health care are UNAFFORDABLE and UNSUSTAINABLE in our state and in our country, and such services, including primary and preventive care, prescription drugs, emergency services, behavioral health services, dental and visual care, and long-term care are essential for the HEALTH of our citizenry, and WHEREAS, Private insurance premiums are UNAFFORDABLE for MOST and the ABSENCE of NATIONAL, UNIVERSAL HEALTH INSURANCE, contributes to citizens being UNINSURED and UNDERINSURED resulting in delayed care for chronic medical conditions, and the underuse of addiction treatment and mental health care, problems that have reduced US life expectancy in recent years; and WHEREAS, the duration and quality of life for the citizens of New Hampshire will improve

if ALL can access primary care instead of waiting until a medical emergency; that such emergencies disrupt lives and burden first responders and hospitals, who in turn pass cost of emergency care for the UNINSURED on to the rest of us; and

WHEREAS, fellow New Hampshire citizens have experienced bankruptcy due to medical bills even when they have insurance, unheard of in any other developed nation; and

WHEREAS, having AFFORDABLE HEALTH INSURANCE that is INDEPENDENT of one's job, will allow ALL people to pursue happiness in the job that they love, not just the job with health benefits; that will encourage entrepreneurs to start businesses; that will relieve small businesses of the ONUS of providing private health insurance, and this will help New Hampshire businesses compete in the global economy; and WHEREAS, a NATIONAL, UNIVERSAL HEALTH INSURANCE will eliminate the need for poverty-only government health insurance such as MEDICAID that entails enormous administrative costs for state governments, and stigmatizes participants; and WHEREAS, the State of New Hampshire and the municipalities in our state currently spend millions of dollars a year for private health insurance for their employees and retirees, a cost that keeps rising every year, putting a strain on resources that could be better spent in addressing other needs in our own communities and state; and WHEREAS, private health insurance companies have the luxury of insuring the low risk pool of healthy working adults and their children, and the burden of insuring the high risk pool (people with disabilities, the indigent, and the elderly) rests solely with the government; and

WHEREAS, such collusion allows private insurance companies to reap huge profits insuring us during our entire working lives while contributing NOTHING toward our care in old age, when we need care the most; and

WHEREAS, we believe a sustainable, cost-effective approach is to have one risk pool, combining the low and the high risk, like every other country in the world, because our current two-pool system is NOT SUSTAINABLE and NOT AFFORDABLE; and WHEREAS, one risk pool and a UNIVERSAL, NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM will allow MEDICARE to be comprehensive, including dental and long-term care, and need NO SUPPLEMENTAL plan; and

WHEREAS, a small state like New Hampshire cannot provide UNIVERSAL HEALTH INSURANCE on our own;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, we, the New Hampshire Democratic Party, call on Congress to pursue and pass legislation for a NATIONAL, UNIVERSAL HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM.

Topic: A Resolution Celebrating the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation

Primary Sponsor: New Hampshire Democratic Party Officers

Date Submitted: April, 14 2024

A Resolution Celebrating the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation, for consideration by the New Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, May 11th, 2024.

WHEREAS, New Hampshire elected a Congressional Delegation that has worked toward the betterment of the lives of Granite Staters; and

WHEREAS, the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation has fought to protect democracy and voting rights; and

WHEREAS, the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation has fought for the betterment of education for the next generation; and

WHEREAS, the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation has worked to build an economy that works for all Americans, not just the wealthy; and

WHEREAS, the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation has supported and worked to protect the LGBTQ+ community; and

WHEREAS, the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation has fought to expand access to health care; and

WHEREAS, the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation has worked to proactively address and counter the impacts of climate change;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2024 New Hampshire Democratic State

Convention celebrates the New Hampshire Federal Delegation and the progress made on the issues that matter to Granite Staters.

Topic: A Resolution Recommitting to the Prevention of Gun Violence

Primary Sponsor: New Hampshire Democratic Party Officers

Date Submitted: April, 14 2024

A Resolution Recommitting to the Prevention of Gun Violence, for consideration by the New Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, May 11th, 2024.

WHEREAS, the New Hampshire Democratic Party (NHDP) is dedicated to promoting the safety and well-being of all individuals within our communities; and

WHEREAS, gun violence continues to devastate families, communities, and individuals across the nation, resulting in senseless loss of life and lasting trauma;

WHEREAS, the ease of access to dangerous weapons exacerbates the risk of gun violence, threatening the safety and security of our citizens;

WHEREAS, the NHDP believes in the fundamental right to live free from the fear of gun violence and supports common-sense measures to prevent its occurrence;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the NHDP unequivocally condemns all forms of gun violence, including but not limited to mass shootings, domestic violence-related incidents, suicides, and accidental shootings;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the NHDP expresses solidarity with the victims and survivors of gun violence, recognizing the profound impact it has on individuals, families, and communities;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the NHDP reaffirms its commitment to enacting comprehensive gun violence prevention measures, including:

Strengthening background check systems to prevent individuals with dangerous histories from obtaining firearms;

Implementing red flag laws to temporarily restrict access to firearms for individuals deemed a risk to themselves or others;

Supporting research into the causes and solutions of gun violence to inform evidence-based policies;

Promoting responsible gun ownership through education and training programs;

Advocating for the regulation of firearms, including assault weapons and
high-capacity magazines, to reduce the lethality of gun violence incidents;

Topic: A Resolution Reaffirming Our Commitment to Protecting Reproductive Rights

Primary Sponsor: New Hampshire Democratic Party Officers

Date Submitted: April, 14 2024

A Resolution Reaffirming Our Commitment to Protecting Reproductive Rights, for consideration by the New Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, May 11th, 2024.

WHEREAS, The U.S. Supreme Court overturned the nearly 50-year-old, landmark Roe v. Wade decision: and

WHEREAS, The court's decision in Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization will jeopardize the health and well-being of millions of people, allowing states under Republican rule to force pregnancies to term even if doing so endangers their lives and health or even in cases of rape or incest; and

WHEREAS, The court's decision in Dobbs threatens the well-being of millions of individuals who should be allowed to decide intimate family planning questions for themselves in consultation with their health care providers and others whom they trust; and

WHEREAS, Anti-abortion laws already enacted in several states as well as measures currently before other state legislatures would threaten those who choose not to continue a pregnancy with criminal prosecution, and would criminalize the provision of reproductive health care, potentially including the treatment of miscarriages and ectopic pregnancies, by medical professionals; and

WHEREAS, Democrats remain committed to continuing to defend IVF access, despite recent repeated Republican attempts to ban this critical treatment; and WHEREAS, Low-income and people of color will be particularly harmed by the impact of the Dobbs decision; and

WHEREAS, the NHDP has long supported the right to reproductive health care and abortion rights;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That NHDP will continue to support the fundamental right of all individuals to access appropriate reproductive health care, effective birth control and emergency contraception; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, That NHDP will support federal legislation codifying full reproductive rights and expanded access to reproductive health care services.

Topic: A Resolution Celebrating the End of Sununu's Reign

Primary Sponsor: New Hampshire Democratic Party Officers

Date Submitted: April, 14 2024

A Resolution Celebrating the End of Sununu's Reign, for consideration by the New Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, May 11th, 2024.

WHEREAS, after eight years as Governor, Chris Sununu prepares to departs the corner office with a disgraceful legacy of serving as the first Governor in modern New Hampshire history to sign an abortion ban into law with no exceptions for rape or incest and felony penalties for doctors; and

WHEREAS, overseeing the Executive Council's multiple votes to defund Planned Parenthood and other reproductive health care centers; and

WHEREAS, botching New Hampshire's response to COVID-19 and the state's vaccine rollout; and

WHEREAS, using taxpayer dollars for a self-promotional ad campaign, defunding critical DCYF positions that would help keep children safe, awarding government contracts to his political allies; and

WHEREAS, diverting taxpayer dollars from public schools to unaccountable private and religious schools; and

WHEREAS, pushing voter suppression schemes to make it harder for young people to vote; and

WHEREAS, signing into law legislation that prohibits teaching about sexism or racism, presiding over New Hampshire's consistent fall in the national ranking for top states for businesses; and

WHEREAS, opposing federal programs and initiatives like the American Rescue Plan and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law; and

WHEREAS, overseeing the use of taxpayer dollars to promote his family's ski resort; and WHEREAS, supporting national Republicans' schemes to eviscerate Social Security and Medicare; and

WHEREAS, failing to lower energy costs, preventing New Hampshire from achieving a clean energy economy; and

WHEREAS, using the corner office to advance his personal and political interests at the expense of Granite Staters;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Hampshire Democratic Party wishes good riddance to the corrupt, unmoral, and harmful Governorship of Chris Sununu; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that with Kelly Ayotte running for Governor to put corporations above New Hampshire families and small businesses, attack Granite Staters' most fundamental freedoms, push for radical anti-choice policies, defund reproductive health care centers, attack our LGBTQ+ community, defund public schools, and use the corner office to advance her special interest agenda; New Hampshire Democrats must do everything in their power to elect a democrat as Governor in November of 2024

Topic: A Resolution Condemning the Candidacy of Donald J. Trump

Primary Sponsor: New Hampshire Democratic Party Officers

Date Submitted: April, 14 2024

A Resolution Declaring the Republican Nominee Dangerously Unfit for the Presidency and Radically Out of Step with American and Granite State Values, for Consideration by the New Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, May 11, 2024.

WHEREAS, the nominee celebrates that he "was able to kill Roe v. Wade" and delights in eliminating the constitutional right to abortion for women throughout the nation, and; WHEREAS, the nominee regularly employs disgraceful and dehumanizing rhetoric towards immigrants, minorities, and marginalized communities, and;

WHEREAS, the nominee consistently displays fawning affection for hostile dictators and callous disregard for loyal allies, and;

WHEREAS, the nominee engages in ongoing promotion of The Big Lie and relentless efforts to undermine faith in our electoral process, and;

WHEREAS, these concerted efforts culminated in the violent and deadly insurrection of January 6th, the perpetrators of which he heralds as heroes and hostages, while failing to ever exhibit an ounce of remorse or reflection, and;

WHEREAS, the nominee was found liable for sexually abusing and defaming E. Jean Carroll, while facing credible accusations of sexual harassment and sexual assault from more than a dozen other women and gloating about getting away with sexual misconduct, and;

WHEREAS, the nominee has been held liable for egregious fraud and corruption through his signature business, the Trump Organization, as well as charitable and educational ventures, the Trump Foundation and Trump University, and funneled federal and foreign money to Trump properties throughout his presidency, and;

WHEREAS, the nominee dismisses climate change as a hoax and vows to undo any progress achieved by the Biden Administration, and;

WHEREAS, the nominee has persistently sought to terminate the Affordable Care Act and strip health insurance away from millions of vulnerable Americans, and;

WHEREAS, the nominee called for cuts to Social Security and Medicare in his budget proposals for each year of his presidency, and;

WHEREAS, the nominee promises to further tax cuts for billionaires and corporations while ignoring the struggles of hard-working American families, and;

WHEREAS, the nominee has a long track record of racism towards and contempt for African-Americans, from housing discrimination in New York to his vilification of the Central Park Five to his unabashed embrace of the "birther" conspiracy to the steady stream of vitriol and crude insults he directs at Black public figures, and;

WHEREAS, the nominee defended Nazi demonstrators in Charlottesville as "very fine people," dines with white supremacists and reflexively shows warmth towards vile extremists; and

WHEREAS, the nominee disparages fallen soldiers as "losers" and "suckers," and shamefully disrespects Gold Star families, and;

WHEREAS, the nominee mocks Americans with disabilities and repeatedly reveals a stunning lack of empathy and compassion, and;

WHEREAS, the nominee would roll back rights and protections for the LGBTQ+ community, appearing religious zealots and showcasing his characteristic lack of concern for the pain and suffering that would result, and;

WHEREAS, the nominee's breathtakingly reckless response to the COVID-19 crisis led to the preventable loss of life at an unimaginable scale, and his fervent rejection of science and expertise are disqualifying for a leader with such consequential responsibilities, and; WHEREAS, the nominee is openly pursuing an authoritarian agenda, pledging to be a "dictator" on day one and laying out a broad array of anti-democratic measures to be implemented as part of Project 2025, and;

WHEREAS, those who worked most closely with the nominee, including his Vice President and numerous cabinet officials, fundamentally reject his suitability for the presidency, and; WHEREAS, the twice-impeached nominee is currently facing four separate indictments and ninety-one felony counts, and;

WHEREAS, the nominee possesses extraordinary deficiencies of character that the nation cannot again endure, whether it is his pathological dishonesty, constant elevation of personal self-interest over the public good, or unfailing commitment to fuel hatred and division at the expense of public trust and unity, and;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2024 New Hampshire Democratic State

Convention condemns the Republican nominee, Donald J. Trump, as manifestly unfit for
the presidency, and emphatically rejects his dangerous and autocratic vision for the
country.

Topic: A Resolution Celebrating the Success of the Write-In Campaign for Joe Biden

Primary Sponsor: Rep. Angela Brennan

Date Submitted: April, 15 2024

A Resolution Celebrating the Success of the Write-In Campaign for Joe Biden, for Consideration by the New Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, May 11, 2024.

WHEREAS, grassroots activism and organizing is one of the foundations of New Hampshire Politics; and

WHEREAS, New Hampshire's first in the nation primary is a tradition written in state law that must be followed by the NH secretary of state no matter what party politics might be at play in any given year; and

WHEREAS, Democrats in New Hampshire have long recognized the stakes of the 2024 election and that President Joe Biden is the best candidate to defend our democracy against the right wing extremism of the MAGA party; and

WHEREAS, the opportunity to kick off this critical election year with the momentum

President Joe Biden and Democrats up and down the ballot needed to succeed in

November could not be ignored; and

WHEREAS, a small group of leaders got together to form a grassroots organizing team that grew into the huge Write-In Biden movement with neighbors talking to neighbors, weekly zoom calls regularly drawing hundreds of participants, house parties, letter writing, local and national media interviews, visibility events, and more political

engagements bringing people together to share how to write in Joe Biden on the bottom of the ballot; and

WHEREAS, the temperatures in the lead up the January 23, 2024 primary were some of the coldest New Hampshire had all winter long and Write-In Biden volunteers still showed up to hold signs, talk to potential voters and do press interviews; and WHEREAS, the Write-In Biden effort delivered historic results with the sitting President receiving more votes than any other incumbent president in the New Hampshire primary;

WHEREAS, just as every NH primary, the eyes of the nation were upon New Hampshire and Granite Staters delivered another safe, secure, efficient election with a clear winner–President Joe Biden– declared on election night; and

and

WHEREAS, so many individuals across the Granite State got involved in this unique campaign experience and now continue to be motivated to get and stay involved in the 2024 elections as volunteers for Democratic candidates up and down the ballot; and WHEREAS, the Write-In Biden effort could not have achieved the tremendous level of success it did without each and every volunteer who donated their time and energy to show the nation New Hampshire knows how to do democracy no matter what curveballs are thrown our way; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the New Hampshire Democratic Party appreciates the work of all those involved in the Write-In Biden effort for bringing a new level of energy and enthusiasm to the celebrated First in the Nation primary, and NHDP is grateful to Granite State voters for delivering historic results for the incumbent Democratic

President, and the Write-In Biden team's hard work deserves to be acknowledged with gratitude and applauded with this 2024 New Hampshire Democratic State Convention resolution.