

1 IOWA DEMOCRATIC PARTY
2 STATE PLATFORM COMMITTEE REPORT
3 JUNE 16, 2018

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5 STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES
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7 ~~We are proud of our Democratic Party as the party of our nation's heritage, accomplishments,~~
8 ~~and diversities. No part of that heritage is more valuable than our belief in the inclusion of~~
9 ~~ALL and commitment to ALL, with recognition of the rights and worth of each human being.~~

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11 ~~We, the People of the Democratic Party of Iowa, affirm the following:~~

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13 **[We affirm the Democratic Party's contributions to our nation's heritage,**
14 **accomplishments, and diversity. We recognize and advocate for the rights and worth of**
15 **every human being. We strive to secure, defend, and preserve basic constitutional and**
16 **civil rights.]**

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18 We support a strong separation of church and state as envisioned by our founding fathers and
19 incorporated in the constitution of the United States.

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21 We supported our military and veterans in war and peace.

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23 We support them now and honor their service.

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25 We supported the right of all human beings to be treated fairly and equally under the laws of
26 this nation. We stand as the party for all human beings.

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28 We condemn all forms of discrimination. Whenever the rights of any citizens are threatened,
29 the rights of all are endangered. We take seriously the obligation to preserve, protect, and
30 secure basic constitutional and civil rights.

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32 We supported the working people of this country when they were exploited. We support them
33 now for their right to organize, to achieve decent wages with health and retirement benefits
34 and a safe workplace.

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36 We supported families in their pursuit of well-being.

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38 We support them now in their desire to become healthy, educated, and contributing citizens.

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40 We support the freedom to plan their family.

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42 We supported the elderly when they were forgotten.

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44 We support them now in their need for dignity, income and healthcare security.
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46 We supported independent farmers and small businesses when they faced hard times.

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48 We support them now in their pursuit of prosperity and economic security.

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50 We supported parents, students, and educators to make education a top priority.

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52 We support them now in their quest to achieve high standards. We support free and open
53 access to knowledge and information. We oppose attempts to distort science or health
54 education.

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56 We supported the people of the earth in working for a clean environment.

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58 We support them now to achieve a responsible, prosperous and sustainable existence with
59 nature.

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61 We supported people all over the world demanding freedom, justice, and opportunity.

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63 We support them now, applauding their peaceful progress.

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65 We believe that our foreign policy should be one of genuine cooperation in global solutions for
66 international problems. We endorse efforts to defend the equality of rights for all human
67 beings.

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69 We support an individual's right to privacy and adequate legal representation. We look
70 forward to the day when all borders are open to the free exchange of ideas, people, and
71 goods.

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73 We recognize that we will not get everything we want. Compromise is necessary when
74 important values conflict and priorities of different people are not the same. But we will not be
75 bullied into caving on vital issues.

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77 We believe in and will continue to work for a truly representative government that works for
78 the good of ALL human beings in a compassionate, responsible and progressive way that
79 works to achieve peace, prosperity, and a national outlook of confidence and hope.

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STATEMENT OF ISSUES

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AGRICULTURE, ENERGY, AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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Agriculture for Productive Living and a Healthy Food Supply

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86 We support:

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1. clean/safe drinking/bathing/recreational waters

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2. local/independent ownership of farms

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3. environmentally responsible/regenerative farming

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4. crop/livestock diversification

- 92 5. **[MINORITY REPORT TO ADD: “, including algae/aquaponics/companion**
93 **and rotation”]**
94 6. expanding farm markets including local sustainable/organic
95 7. protection/conservation of healthy soil
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97 **Sustainable Agriculture Policy**

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99 We support:

- 100 8. increasing SNAP funding/benefits
101 9. funding Leopold Center
102 10. increasing CRP/CSP funding
103 11. industrial hemp/cannabis
104 12. capping crop insurance premium subsidies
105 13. market-indexing USDA loan rates
106 14. conservation compliance for federal subsidies
107 15. anti-trust regulation of seed supply/food production/processing
108 16. right-to-save seeds for personal use
109 17. mandating cover crops/buffer strips on HEL
110 18. repealing “Ag-Gag” bill
111 19. defining CAFOs as commercial/industrial
112 20. moratorium on CAFO construction/expansion until < 100 of Iowa's waterways are
113 impaired
114 21. no tillage/fertilizer application on soybean fields after harvest, unless seeded as
115 cover-crops and buffer-strips by waterways
116 22. farmer-owned grain reserves
117 23. GMO seed-labeling
118 24. legal protection from pesticide/herbicide/GMO seed drift/contamination
119 25. public’s right-to-know permit compliance/TRI/chemical use
120 26. replacing Master Matrix with environmental assessments improving soil/air/water
121 quality
122 27. odor-nuisance regulation/enforcement
123 28. mandatory/monitored/enforced nitrogen/phosphorus reduction strategies
124 29. reinstate FFPR
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126 We oppose:

- 127 30. vertically-integrated large-scale livestock production/corporate agriculture
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129 **Livestock Management**

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131 We support:

- 132 31. local control of CAFO permitting/siting
133 32. **[MINORITY REPORT TO ADD: “taxing CAFOs at commercial rates”]**
134 33. responsible antibiotic use
135 34. humane animal treatment
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137 We oppose:

138 35. unregulated/excessive hormone use

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140 **Food Supply and Safety**

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142 We support:

143 36. strong safety/labeling requirements ensuring food safety, content/origin/processing
144 location

145 37. community/urban gardens, direct-to-consumer producers

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147 **Energy: Combating Climate Change with Responsible Production**

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149 We support:

150 38. Paris Climate Accords

151 39. fossil fuel/nuclear power conversion to clean/renewable energy

152 40. electric-vehicle infrastructure

153 41. higher CAFE standards

154 42. "50-by-30" initiative

155 43. energy conservation

156 44. smart-grid improvement

157 45. net-metering without discriminatory fees/taxes

158 46. CPP

159 47. safe transport/storage of nuclear/fracking waste

160 48. regulating energy commodity speculation

161 49. extending geothermal/biomass/wind/solar-energy subsidies

162 50. carbon fees/consumer dividends

163 51. banning fracking/fracking waste disposal in Iowa

164 52. Clean Line

165 53. IRPS/FIT

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167 We oppose:

168 54. fossil-fuel/nuclear power subsidies

169 55. tar-sands/pet coke

170 56. new coal power plants

171 57. **[MINORITY REPORT TO ADD: "nuclear power plants re-licensing/construction"]**

172 58. deep-water/arctic oil drilling

173 59. oil drilling/lumbering/mining in national parks

174 60. reclassifying national monuments as private property

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176 **Environment, Stewardship and Livability**

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178 We support:

179 61. amending Iowa's Constitution to provide environmental protections

180 62. environmental protection/public-health over corporate profits

181 63. reinstating Iowa's Volunteer Water Testing Program

182 64. reduction/reuse/universal curbside recycling

183 65. municipal composting/recycling

- 184 66. enforcing ESA/CAA/CWA regulations
- 185 67. funding REAP/NRORTF
- 186 68. funding IDNR above 2009 levels
- 187 69. enacting IEQA
- 188 70. banning neonicotinoids, restoring habitat to protect pollinator/bees
- 189 71. bottle-bill expansion
- 190 72. sequestering carbon
- 191 73. reclaiming mercury/lead
- 192 74. local control of sand-mining permitting/siting
- 193 75. permanently protecting ANWR
- 194 76. mending roads with recycled plastic
- 195 77. innovative/inexpensive energy solutions
- 196 78. non-toxic shot

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198 We oppose:

- 199 79. lead wheel-weights
- 200 80. corporate polluters' "grandfather" clauses
- 201 81. environmental protection rollbacks

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203 **Restorative Wetland and Watershed Management**

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205 We support:

- 206 82. returning waterways to healthy/swimmable/fishable conditions
- 207 83. publicly owned/affordable clean water
- 208 84. accessible IDNR well data/testing
- 209 85. incentivizing sustainable technologies/integrated watershed management
- 210 86. fully protecting/enforcing CWA including intermittent streams/wetlands
- 211 87. reinstating President Obama's enacted USDA-NRCS RUSLE3

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213 **Planning and Zoning for Environmentally Friendly Communities**

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215 We support:

- 216 88. "Smart Growth"
- 217 89. sustainable development
- 218 90. livable/walkable neighborhoods
- 219 91. preserving farmland/sensitive and unique natural areas
- 220 92. LEED requirements for public buildings
- 221 93. notification by county auditors to all landowners/residents within one mile before
- 222 permitting CAFO construction/expansion
- 223 94. local approval for fossil fuel pipelines
- 224 95. community gardens

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226 We oppose:

- 227 96. subsidizing urban growth on farm and park lands
- 228 97. eminent domain abuse
- 229 98. annexation without binding votes of the targeted residents/property owners

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231 **ACRONYMS USED IN THIS SECTION**
232 "50 by 30" – 50% clean energy by 2030
233 ADA – Americans with Disabilities Act
234 AFO – Animal Feed Operations
235 ANWR – Arctic National Wildlife Refuge
236 CAA – Clean Air Act
237 CAFE – Corporate Automotive Fuel Economy
238 CAFO – Confined/Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation
239 Clean Line – electrical transmission lines to transport wind-generated
240 energy from NW Iowa to Illinois
241 CPP – Clean Power Plan
242 CRP – Conservation Reserve Program
243 CSP – Conservation Services Program
244 CWA – Clean Water Act
245 EPA – Environmental Protection Act
246 ESA – Endangered Species Act
247 FFPR - Farmers Fair Practices Rules
248 FIT – Feed-In Tariffs
249 GMO – Genetically Modified Organism
250 HEL – Highly Erodible Land/Soils
251 IDNR – Iowa Department of Natural Resources
252 IEQA – Iowa Environmental Quality Act
253 IRPS – Iowa Renewable Portfolio Standards
254 IWILL – Iowa’s Water and Land Legacy (subsumed under NRORTF)
255 LEED – Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design
256 NRORTF - Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation Trust Fund
257 NRCS – Natural Resources Conservation Service
258 REAP – Resource Enhancement and Protection
259 RUSLE3 — Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation Version Three
260 SNAP – Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
261 TRI – Toxic Release Inventory Program/chemical use reports
262 USDA – United States Department of Agriculture

ECONOMY, COMMERCE, AND LABOR

Collective Bargaining/Unions/Labor

We support:

- 269 99. Fair-Share
- 270 100. prosecuting unfair labor practices
- 271 101. strengthening child labor laws
- 272 102. restoring/strengthening Chapter 20 protections
- 273 103. workers right to organize/join unions/strike
- 274 104. PLAs/LPAs
- 275 105. union apprenticeships and memberships
- 276 106. use of unions for infrastructure jobs/WPAs
- 277 107. EFCA

- 278 108. government entities purchasing US union-made products
- 279 109. Majority Sign-Up
- 280 110. federal jobs program (WPA)
- 281 111. NLRB/PERB

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283 We oppose:

- 284 112. recertification election requirements for public unions
- 285 113. privatizing public-sector jobs
- 286 114. right-to-work
- 287 115. union-busting
- 288 116. replacing laid-off/striking union workers

289 290 **Unemployment/Benefits**

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292 We support:

- 293 117. unemployment benefits for all employees
- 294 118. reauthorizing long-term unemployment benefits

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296 We oppose:

- 297 119. waiting for WC/UE benefits

298 299 **Workers' Compensation/Safety**

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301 We support:

- 302 120. considering bidders' safety records for government contracts
- 303 121. increased staffing and funding OSHA/MSHA/NIOSH
- 304 122. right to refuse unsafe work without retaliation
- 305 123. greater employee/union participation in OSHA inspections
- 306 124. workers' rights to select their medical providers for workplace injuries
- 307 125. restoring protections under Iowa Worker's Compensation Law

308 309 **Employment Practices**

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311 We support:

- 312 126. whistleblower protections for employees
- 313 127. equal pay for equal work
- 314 128. FMLA
- 315 129. FLSA
- 316 130. removing barriers to proving employment discrimination
- 317 131. responsible, integrated strategies for AI-related job loss to protect/retrain workers
- 318 132. community-college based job training programs for displaced workers
- 319 133. "living wage" replacing minimum wage
- 320 134. **[MINORITY REPORT TO REPLACE 133 WITH: "raising minimum wage to \$15 per**
- 321 **hour regularly indexed to COLA"]**
- 322 135. reducing executive and employee compensation inequity
- 323 136. proportionate wages/benefits for part-time workers

- 324 137. tipped workers receiving full minimum wage
- 325 138. nonpunitive paid family/medical/parental leave
- 326 139. paid vacation
- 327 140. **[MINORITY REPORT TO REPLACE 138 AND 139 WITH: “minimum three weeks**
- 328 **paid vacation, nine month paid parental leave, sick leave, and health insurance”]**
- 329 141. local control of minimum wage raises

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331 We oppose:

- 332 142. employment-at-will doctrine
- 333 143. unfair overtime practices
- 334 144. social networking identification/password as condition of employment
- 335 145. use of credit scores for employment decisions

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337 **Retirement**

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339 We support:

- 340 146. fully honored, secure, portable retirement
- 341 147. fully funding/protecting IPERS/FED/MFPRSI/RRB/FELA
- 342 148. maintaining IPERS as a defined benefit plan
- 343 149. COLA for publicly funded retirement programs

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345 **Government Policy**

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347 We support:

- 348 150. expanding Davis-Bacon Act to include publicly-funded projects
- 349 151. defining responsible bidder for government contracts at the local level
- 350 152. “Deal for All”
- 351 153. net neutrality
- 352 154. statewide broadband access
- 353 155. Dodd-Frank
- 354 156. 21st Century Glass-Steagall Act
- 355 157. national universal basic income
- 356 158. expansion of public mass-transit
- 357 159. equitable/transparent trade agreements
- 358 160. transparency/accountability of public funds granted to corporations

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360 We oppose:

- 361 161. renaming SS earned benefits as federal benefits
- 362 162. deregulating industry
- 363 163. fast-tracking trade agreements
- 364 164. TPP

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366 **Taxes**

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368 We support:

- 369 165. eliminating SS wage cap

- 370 166. taxing high-frequency trading
- 371 167. more progressive tax structure
- 372 168. estate tax beginning with \$2.5 million estates
- 373 169. increasing EITC/dependent exemptions
- 374 170. property tax credits that benefit low-income/veterans/elderly/disabled people
- 375 171. annual evaluation of tax credits

376

377 We oppose:

- 378 172. tax breaks for companies outsourcing US jobs
- 379 173. increasing taxes on credit unions
- 380 174. off-shore tax shelters
- 381 175. corporate tax evasion

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383 **Bankruptcy**

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385 We support:

- 386 176. honoring full-pension benefits in the case of bankruptcy
- 387 177. listing employees as first-in-line creditors

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389 **Business Practices**

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391 We support:

- 392 178. expanding antitrust analysis to consider market structure, concentration,
393 economic/political impact
- 394 179. incentives creating/retaining US jobs
- 395 180. capping annual interest rates on small consumer loans
- 396 181. regulating financial speculation
- 397 182. full disclosure of competing/conflicting interests in financial transactions
- 398 183. breaking up “too-big-to-fail” banks
- 399 184. regulatory capture
- 400 185. protection against predatory lending
- 401 186. minimum 90% US-manufactured content required for “Made in USA” products
- 402 187. importer-financed quality inspections of all imports

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404 We oppose:

- 405 188. corporate welfare
- 406 189. insurance credit scoring

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408 **ACRONYMS USED IN THIS SECTION**

- 409 AI – Artificial Intelligence
- 410 COLA – Cost of Living Adjustment
- 411 EFCA – Employee Free Choice Act
- 412 EITC – Earned Income Tax Credit
- 413 FED – Favorable Experience Dividend
- 414 FELA – Federal Employers Liability Act
- 415 FMLA – Family Medical Leave Act
- 416 FLSA – Fair Labor Standards Act

417 IPERS – Iowa Public Retirement System
418 LPA – Leased Purchase Agreement
419 MFPRSI – Municipal Fire and Police Retirement System of Iowa
420 MSHA – Mine Safety and Health Administration
421 NIOSH – National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health
422 NLRB – National Labor Relations Board
423 OSHA – Occupational Safety and Health Administration
424 PERB – Public Employees Relations Board
425 PLA – Project Labor Agreements
426 RRB – Railroad Retirement Benefits
427 SS – Social Security
428 TPA – Trade Promotion Authority
429 TPP – Trans-Pacific Partnership
430 UE – Unemployment
431 WC – Workman’s Compensation
432 WPA – Works Progress Administration
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434 EDUCATION

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436 We support:
437 190. involving community/ parents/educators/students in educational problem
438 solving/decision-making
439 191. minimum 6% SSA for PreK-12 education
440 192. restoring independent allowable growth formula to determine public school funding
441 193. providing educational tools/ resources for students needing additional assistance,
442 including online classes and other technology
443 194. PreK-12 public education for students until age 21
444 195. post-secondary programs tuition-/debt-free for at least 4 years, including:
445 a. vocational programs
446 b. regent state universities
447 c. community colleges
448 196. dyslexia screening for children in PreK-12 schools/IJJS
449 197. state mandates requiring all public schools include instruction in physical/mental
450 health and sex positive/comprehensive/research-based sexual/health programs
451 (including LGBTQIA+, non-binary)
452 198. training for all literacy skills
453 199. expansion of full-day kindergarten and universal preschool
454 200. full funding for:
455 a. fine/applied arts
456 b. ELL/ESL programs
457 c. career/vocational education
458 d. literacy education
459 e. STEM
460 f. civic education
461 g. personal financial literacy
462 201. all public PreK-12/higher-education, non-administrative, salaries/benefits/pensions
463 above national average

- 464 202. funding IDEA at 40% level
- 465 203. ADA compliance of all school facilities
- 466 204. restoring funds to AEAs
- 467 205. TLC program
- 468 206. driver's education and foreign language programs provided by local public school
- 469 districts
- 470 207. maintaining the highest standards for teacher certification
- 471 208. ECE (public preschool/Head Start services)
- 472 209. meeting Head Start or NAEYC performance standards
- 473 210. placement of special education student to be directly tied to determining class size
- 474 and staffing need
- 475 211. restoring, increasing funding to regent universities and community colleges
- 476 212. living wages, benefit parity, unemployment benefit eligibility, and ongoing training
- 477 for ESPs
- 478 213. increasing statewide minimum dropout age to 18
- 479 214. student-loan forgiveness
- 480 215. bankruptcy protections for borrowers
- 481 216. 100% tax-deductible interest on post-secondary loans
- 482 217. mental health professionals in all schools
- 483 218. reduction of class size
- 484 219. requiring credentialed supervision for home-schooled students
- 485 220. expanding access to public school alternative programs
- 486 221. radon testing for school buildings
- 487 222. modernizing the Fair Funding Formulas for rural schools
- 488 223. an option for a guaranteed rate of return for funds in 529 savings plans
- 489 224. District Voluntary Diversity Plans
- 490 225. eliminating racial disparities in discipline policies
- 491 226. increased tax credits for teaching materials educators purchase
- 492 227. strongly regulating accreditation, credit transferability and disclosure of costs for all
- 493 for-profit schools
- 494 228. funding all TRIO programs
- 495 229. party balance of the Iowa Board of Regents
- 496 230. NEA, NEH, NSF, CPB

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498 We oppose:

- 499 231. using tax dollars to fund PK-12 private schools through methods including:
 - 500 a. vouchers
 - 501 b. Education Savings Accounts
 - 502 c. charter school pre-tax plans
- 503 232. merit pay
- 504 233. religious bias in publicly-funded education
- 505 234. arming school employees

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507 ACRONYMS USED IN THIS SECTION

508 AEA – Area Education Agency
509 CPB – Corporation for Public Broadcasting
510 ECE – Early Childhood Education
511 ELL – English Language Learners
512 ESL – English as a Second Language
513 ESP – Education Support Professional
514 IDEA – Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
515 IJJS - Iowa Juvenile Justice System
516 LGBTQIA+ - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning, Intersex,
517 Asexual/Agender, and Community
518 NAEYC – National Association for the Education of Young Children
519 NEA – National Endowment for the Arts
520 NEH – National Endowment for the Humanities
521 NSF – National Science Foundation
522 SSA – Supplemental State Aid to education
523 STEM - Science, Technology, Engineering, Math
524 TLC – Teacher Leadership and Compensation System
525 TRIO – Educational Talent Search (ETS), Classic Upward Bound (CUB), Veterans Upward
526 Bound (VUB), Upward Bound Math and Science (UBMS), Student Support Services (SSS),
527 Educational Opportunity Centers (EOC), Training Grant (for Special Programs Staff and
528 Leadership Personnel (TR)
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530 GOVERNMENT AND LAW

531 **Campaigns, Elections, and American Institutions**

532 We support:

- 533 235. Automatic/Same-Day Voter Registration
- 534 236. OCE/RVRA/IRV/RCV
- 535 237. Iowa’s redistricting system used nationwide
- 536 238. absentee/early-voting
- 537 239. mandatory election audits
- 538 240. truth in political advertising
- 539 241. 5-year lobbying ban on Federal/State elected/appointed officials leaving
540 government
- 541 242. paid federal/state election holidays
- 542 243. vote-by-mail
- 543 244. comprehensive congressional-ethics/CEC-reform
- 544 245. mandatory release of state/national candidates tax-returns
- 545 246. **[MINORITY REPORT TO STRIKE 245]**
- 546 247. **[MINORITY REPORT TO REPLACE 245 WITH: “mandatory release of**
547 **state/national candidates’ tax-returns as condition of ballot inclusion”]**
- 548 248. Johnson Amendment
- 549 249. Iowa’s judicial merit-selection-system
- 550 250. Iowa constitutional amendment requiring full funding for co-equal judicial-branch
- 551 251. government transparency
- 552 252. publicly funded campaigns/elections
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- 555 253. standardizing election poll-supervision, ballot type/tabulation
- 556 254. re-examining [501(c)(4)] political-activity
- 557 255. requiring political activity transparency—including funding
- 558 256. caucus system improvements
- 559 257. **[MINORITY REPORT TO STRIKE 256]**
- 560 258. open-source software/paper-trailed voting-systems
- 561 259. VOICE/Fair-Elections-Now-Act
- 562 260. limiting campaigning-time
- 563 261. **[MINORITY REPORT TO ADD: “campaign/debate processes including third-party**
- 564 candidates”]
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566 We oppose:

- 567 262. Citizens United
- 568 263. superdelegates
- 569 264. **[MINORITY REPORT TO STRIKE 263]**
- 570 265. corporate personhood
- 571 266. **[MINORITY REPORT TO ADD: “Electoral College”]**
- 572 267. Super-PACs
- 573 268. official languages
- 574 269. gerrymandering
- 575 270. national constitutional convention
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577 **Civil Rights and Civil Liberties**

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579 We support:

- 580 271. community right to enact laws protecting health/safety of natural
- 581 persons/environment
- 582 272. repealing 2001 USAPA and 2008 FISAAA
- 583 273. providing tax-credits/employment bonding programs
- 584 274. barring law enforcement officials from sexual activities with suspects/detainees
- 585 275. limiting “cavity searches”
- 586 276. Miranda Rights
- 587 277. separating church and state and returning to pre-1954 pledge of allegiance
- 588 278. fully-funding Iowa Legal Aid
- 589 279. individual/legal entity right to BDS any country/corporation
- 590 280. freedom of speech and press
- 591 281. restoring VRA(1965) entirely
- 592 282. renaming Columbus Day
- 593 283. DC/PR/Guam/Territory right to statehood
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595 We oppose:

- 596 284. RFRA
- 597 285. national ID
- 598 286. warrantless-searches/electronic—drone surveillance
- 599 287. non-church religious-exemptions from anti-discrimination laws
- 600 288. presidential self-pardons

601 289. subverting civil-rights

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603 **Consumer Protection**

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605 We support:

606 290. strengthening/expanding/vigorously enforcing anti-trust laws

607 291. penalties that deter corporate malfeasance

608 292. personal financial responsibility for law-breaking elected officials

609 293. government official insider-trading laws

610 294. foreclosure safety-net

611 295. CFPB: fully-funded independent agency

612 296. GDPR-level PII data protection

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614 We oppose:

615 297. robocalls

616 298. utility deregulation/privatization

617 299. limiting court access

618 300. "Pork-Barrel" amendments

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620 **Criminal Justice**

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622 We support:

623 301. legalizing cannabis

624 302. vacating non-violent drug-offense past sentences

625 303. ending war-on-drugs/treating drug-addiction as public health issues

626 304. mentally-ill/addicted offender treatment programs

627 305. specialty-courts

628 306. de-escalation/bias programs/training/improving police-community relations

629 307. independent investigations of deaths involving police/corrections

630 308. fully-funding/timely rape-kit processing

631 309. equitable funding for public defense/prosecution

632 310. juvenile sentencing/incarceration reform

633 311. citizens' review boards

634 312. HCPA

635 313. contemporary Nordic inmate-rehabilitation-model:

636 a. rehabilitation not punishment

637 b. increasing rehabilitation programs for recently released individuals

638 c. inmate minimum wage

639 d. restorative justice

640 e. incarceration alternatives

641 314. EJI

642 315. community policing

643 316. reforming civil/criminal forfeiture laws

644 317. victims' services

645 318. **[MINORITY REPORT TO ADD: "legalizing/taxing/regulating all recreational-drugs"]**

646 319. preventing/identifying/treating human trafficking victims

- 647 320. prosecuting “white-collar” crime
648 321. classifying abortion clinics/provider attacks as domestic-terrorism
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650 We oppose:
651 322. requiring supreme court super-majorities on constitutional questions
652 323. charging defendants for: court-appointed-attorneys/probation/community
653 service/jail-rent
654 324. shackles/restraints during childbirth
655 325. for-profit jails/prisons
656 326. capital punishment
657 327. mandatory-minimum sentencing
658 328. bail-system abuse
659 329. law-enforcement militarization
660 330. “Stop-and-Frisk” policies
661 331. NDAA indefinite-detention provisions
662 332. civil/criminal statutes of limitations on child-abuse/sexual-abuse cases
663 333. ex-offender housing-discrimination
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665 **Government Services**

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667 We support:
668 334. prosecuting government officials charged with quid-pro-quo bribery offenses
669 335. full-access to ALL public records excepting PII
670 336. substantive funding for:
671 a. safe/reliable/well-maintained bridges/roadways
672 b. secure ports/water supplies/infrastructure
673 c. rural county/city (emergency) services
674 d. FVPSA/VAWA
675 e. Division of Tobacco Use and Control
676 f. Public Broadcasting
677 g. Art in State Buildings
678 h. SHS projects/goals
679 i. prisons
680 337. USPS Banking
681 338. VOCA compensation going to victims
682 339. fully-funding/enforcing federal/state mandates
683 340. COLAs including medical costs/food/energy
684 341. local/international food-aid programs
685 342. State Bank of Iowa
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687 We oppose:
688 343. eminent-domain for private-profit
689 344. nepotism
690 345. fast-track congressional voting without public debate
691 346. tax-cuts defunding public programs
692 347. privatizing/outsourcing government services/assets

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694 **Gun Safety**
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696 We support:
697 348. guardian accountability for minor negligent-gun-access
698 349. public/private property gun-free zones
699 350. updated version of the Assault Weapons Ban of 1994, restricting:
700 a. silencers/suppressors
701 b. bump-stocks
702 c. high-capacity-magazines
703 d. fragmentary-rounds
704 351. [**MINORITY REPORT TO ADD:** “updating/amending the 2nd-Amendment”]
705 352. mandatory safety/proficiency training
706 353. [**MINORITY REPORT TO STRIKE 352**]
707 354. expanding NICS
708 355. firearm transfer universal background checks
709 356. registration
710 357. waiting periods
711 358. just-cause Sheriff discretion issuing Concealed-Carry
712 359. mandatory liability insurance for gun/ammunition owners/sellers/manufacturers
713 360. GVROA(2017)
714 361. mandatory reporting lost/stolen firearms
715 362. reasonable gun-regulation/responsible gun-ownership
716 363. gun buybacks
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718 We oppose:
719 364. open-carry
720 365. Dickey Amendment
721 366. NCCR
722 367. private post-1968 firearms transfers without serial numbers
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724 **Immigration**
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726 We support:
727 368. state/federal DREAM/DAPA/DACA/TVDL/UAFA
728 369. resolving visas/permanent-residency backlogs/prioritizing family unity
729 370. Visa denial/removal judicial review
730 371. refugee classifying unaccompanied minors
731 372. adult/minor-refugee/asylum-seeker resettlement programs
732 373. immigration reform eliminating biases/reflecting skills needs/respecting national
733 security needs/providing quicker-clearly-defined citizenship pathways
734 374. undocumented immigrant DL/vehicle registration
735 375. expedited vetting Syrian/Yemeni refugees
736 376. reinstating Governor Robert D. Ray’s refugee-programs
737 377. requiring/funding immigrant/minors/guest workers legal representation
738 378. applying fair-labor laws/due-process to all

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740 We oppose:
741 379. detaining undocumented minors
742 380. immigrant detention/deportation quotas
743 381. locally enforcing federal immigration laws
744 382. mass raids/related enforcement practices
745 383. religious exclusion
746 384. “papers please”
747 385. unnecessary travel-bans
748 386. abrogating birthright-citizenship
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750 **Internet and Telecommunications**
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752 We support:
753 387. publicly-owned/universal HSIA
754 388. modernized “Fairness Doctrine”/equal-time rule
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756 We oppose:
757 389. internet censorship
758 390. warrantless bulk-data collection
759 391. cyberbullying
760 392. FCC’s “UHF Discount” allowing media monoliths
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762 **Taxes and Social Security**
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764 We support:
765 393. charitable-giving tax-deductions
766 394. Veterans Exemption
767 395. restoring TIF’s original purpose
768 396. “public-assistance” penalties for large employers
769 397. fair/just tax-code including progressive-taxation of capital/increasing top-marginal
770 tax-rate
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772 We oppose:
773 398. chained CPI
774 399. raising retirement age/cutting SS-benefits
775 400. taxing: unemployment/workers’-compensation/disability/SS-benefits
776 401. refundable corporate tax-credits
777 402. corporate tax-loopholes
778 403. SS-fund diversion
779 404. corporate-welfare
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781 **Transportation**
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783 We support:
784 405. Complete-Streets

- 785 406. crash-prevention engineering
- 786 407. Main Street Iowa
- 787 408. helmet laws
- 788 409. ET3/Hyperloop/High-speed Rail/light-rail feeder-systems
- 789 410. backseat passenger seat-belt law
- 790 411. transportation alternative-energies
- 791 412. rural-transportation expansion

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793 ACRONYMS USED IN THIS SECTION

- 794 501(c)(3) – a tax-exempt organization
- 795 501(c)(4) – a tax-exempt and non-profit social welfare organization
- 796 BDS – Boycott, Divest, Sanction
- 797 CEC - Citizens Election Council
- 798 CFPB - Consumer Financial Protection Bureau
- 799 COLA – Cost of Living Adjustment
- 800 CPI – Consumer Price Index
- 801 DACA – Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals
- 802 DAPA – Deferred Action for Parents of Americans
- 803 DC – District of Columbia
- 804 DL – Drivers License
- 805 DREAM – Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors
- 806 EJI – Equal Justice Initiative
- 807 ET3 - Evacuated Tube-Transport-Technologies
- 808 FCC - Federal Communications Commission
- 809 FISAAA - Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (of 1978) Amendments Act (of 2008)
- 810 FVPSA – Family Violence Prevention and Services Act
- 811 GDPR - General Data Protection Regulation
- 812 GIVFAP - Grow Iowa Values Financial Assistance Program
- 813 GVROA - Gun Violence Restraining Order Act of 2017
- 814 HCPA - Hate Crimes Prevention Act
- 815 HSIA - High-Speed Internet Access
- 816 ID - Identification
- 817 IOWA - Best State in the United States of America
- 818 Johnson Amendment – a provision in the U.S. tax code, since 1954, that prohibits all
- 819 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations from endorsing or opposing political candidates
- 820 IRV – Instant Runoff Voting
- 821 NCCR - National Concealed Carry Reciprocity
- 822 NDAA - National Defense Authorization Act
- 823 NICS – National Instant Criminal Background Check System
- 824 OCE – Office of Congressional Ethics
- 825 PAC - Political Action Committee
- 826 PII – Personally Identifiable Information
- 827 PR – Puerto Rico
- 828 RCV - Ranked Choice Voting
- 829 RFRA - Religious Freedom Restoration Act
- 830 Robert D Ray - Mythical creature, a Republican that embraced immigration
- 831 RVRA – Restoring Voting Rights Act
- 832 SHS – State Historical Society

833 SS – Social Security
834 TIF – Tax Incremented Financing
835 TVDL – Temporary Visitor’s Driver’s License
836 UAFA – Uniting American Families Act
837 UHF - Ultra High Frequency, In this context the name of a rule allowing single-company
838 ownership of TV stations reaching up to 72% of households vs. 39%
839 USAPA- USA Patriot Act
840 USPS – United States Postal Service
841 VAWA – Violence Against Women Act
842 VOCA – Victims of Crime Act
843 VOICE – Voter Owned Iowa Clean Election
844 VRA - Voter Rights Act

845 846 **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

847 **General Health**

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850 We support:

- 851 413. comprehensive, universal, single-payer healthcare for all, including but not limited
852 to:
- 853 a. reproductive health
 - 854 b. acute/LTC/ALF, community-based services
 - 855 c. wellness/prevention programs
 - 856 d. addiction services
 - 857 e. evidenced-based holistic/functional medicine/services
 - 858 f. reimbursement rates for providers/caregivers equal to UCR
 - 859 g. all brain disorders/injuries
 - 860 h. affordable/no copay medications
 - 861 i. evidence-based Compound/Natural medications
 - 862 j. telemedicine
 - 863 k. training/supplying first responders using Narcan/Naloxone
 - 864 l. statewide EMS
 - 865 m. transgender healthcare
 - 866 n. medical/assistive-devices/vision/hearing/mental/dental
- 867 414. medical end-of-life options
868 415. rescheduling, expanding access to, medical cannabis
869 416. state EHR exchanges
870 417. healthcare staffing based on acuity/care-levels
871 418. increased funding NIH/NSF

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873 We oppose:

- 874 419. privatizing Medicaid
875 420. providing substandard/denying medical services due to religious/personal bias
876 421. exemptions to ISAA
877 422. Medicaid block grants
878 423. restricting research on
879 a. stem-cells

- 880 b. gun violence
- 881 424. waiting lists for HCBS waivers
- 882 425. INCSL
- 883 426. discrimination against LGBTQIA+

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885 **Adult, Aged, Abused People, and People with Disabilities**

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887 We support:

- 888 427. accessibility/accommodations for all
- 889 428. increasing inspections of troubled SNF/ALF/MIMR
- 890 429. fully funding:
 - 891 a. OAA/LTCOP
 - 892 b. dementia research while expanding diagnosis/care
 - 893 c. elder-abuse prevention
 - 894 d. AAA
 - 895 e. full-spectrum continuing care, financial aid/legal assistance for abused
 - 896 persons
 - 897 f. VAWA
- 898 430. national database for convicted abusers
- 899 431. consumer representation on HHS review boards
- 900 432. training/support/tax credits for at-home caregivers
- 901 433. LTC coverage prior to hospitalization
- 902 434. 911/EMS responder abuse-recognition education/training

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904 **Children and Families**

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906 We support:

- 907 435. increasing inspections of childcare centers
- 908 436. fully funding:
 - 909 a. child welfare systems
 - 910 b. child/maternal/prenatal health programs
 - 911 c. preventing child abuse/neglect/obesity
 - 912 d. BASP
 - 913 e. CSRA/DPPA
 - 914 f. high-quality, subsidized childcare
 - 915 g. FSP
 - 916 h. youth/homeless shelters
 - 917 i. children's mental health system
 - 918 j. CHIP/HAWK-I
- 919 437. mandatory NCARs
- 920 438. SNAP/WIC expansion
- 921 439. background checks for childcare workers
- 922 440. gender-neutral parenting/custody/guardianship
- 923 441. kinship-care/foster-care parity
- 924 442. funding foster children through age 26
- 925 443. strengthening/expanding ASFA, DHS/Ombudsman in foster care

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927 We oppose:
928 444. non-medical exemptions to immunizations
929 445. sex-assignment surgeries at birth
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931 **Human Services**
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933 We support:
934 446. transitional programs from shelters/prisons-into-care, treatment, permanent
935 housing
936 447. Medicaid for all autistic individuals
937 448. contraceptives/abortion coverage
938 449. maintaining/strengthening HUD, SS, Medicare/Medicaid, Public Transportation,
939 disaster relief, safety-net programs
940 450. child/dependent-adult protective services meeting all standards/minimal overtime
941 451. funding/organizing IEMS for standardized statewide coverage
942 452. GHS activities overseen by CDC
943 453. research/prevention/treatment addressing opioid epidemic including Naloxone
944 funding
945 454. equitable health insurance premiums
946 455. evidence-based medical cannabis education for medical providers
947 456. effective FDA drug-approval
948 457. vitamins/supplements labeling for side-effects/drug interactions
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950 We oppose:
951 458. limiting medical malpractice/negligence claims
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953 **Mental Health**
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955 We support:
956 459. mental health parity/availability/affordability
957 460. restoring/expanding MHIs
958 461. funding:
959 a. tobacco/substance-abuse treatment
960 b. suicide awareness/prevention programs
961 462. jail diversion programs/courts
962 463. effective treatment length
963 464. mental health training/awareness for 911/first responders
964 465. sufficient funding for CMHCs
965 466. funding for emergency committal beds/transportation
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967 **Reproductive Rights and Family Planning**
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969 We support:
970 467. rights/choice of women/individuals to comprehensive reproductive healthcare
971 468. Roe vs. Wade

- 972 469. fully funding:
- 973 a. comprehensive family planning programs/providers
- 974 b. PP
- 975 c. HIV/STD/STI/cancer testing/screening
- 976 470. free barrier-based contraceptives in public schools
- 977 471. regulating CPC
- 978 472. breastfeeding/lactation accommodations (not restrooms)
- 979 473. certified nurse midwives

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- 981 We oppose:
- 982 474. restricting access to medically necessary abortions
 - 983 475. zygotic/embryonic/fetal personhood
 - 984 476. restricting accessing abortions using TRAP laws/harassment
 - 985 477. forced sterilization, castration, genital mutilation including default circumcision
 - 986 478. **[MINORITY REPORT TO REPLACE 477 WITH:** “forced sterilization, castration,
 - 987 genital mutilation including infant circumcision”]
 - 988 479. Fetal Heartbeat bill
 - 989 480. conversion therapy
 - 990 481. parental consent/notification for contraceptives/abortion for minors

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992 **ACRONYMS USED IN THIS SECTION**

- 993 AAA - Area Agency on Aging
- 994 ALF – Assisted-Living Facilities
- 995 ASFA - Adoption and Safe Families Act
- 996 BASP - Before and After School Programs
- 997 CDC - Centers for Disease Control
- 998 CHIP - Children’s Health Insurance Program
- 999 CMHCs – Community Mental Health Centers
- 1000 CPC - Crisis Pregnancy Centers
- 1001 CSRA - Child Support Recovery Act
- 1002 DHS - Department of Human Services
- 1003 DPPA - Deadbeat Parents Punishment Act
- 1004 EHR – Electronic Health Record
- 1005 EMS – Emergency Medical Services
- 1006 FDA – Food and Drug Administration
- 1007 FSP - Family Support Programs
- 1008 GHS – Global Health Services
- 1009 HAWK-I - Healthy and Well Kids in Iowa
- 1010 HCBS - Home and Community Based Services
- 1011 HHS – Health and Human Services
- 1012 HIV – Human Immunodeficiency Virus
- 1013 HUD – Housing and Urban Development
- 1014 IEMS - Iowa Emergency Medical Services
- 1015 INCSL - Iowa Non-Covered Services Law
- 1016 ISAA - Iowa Smoke-Free Air Act
- 1017 LGBTQIA+ - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning, Intersex,
- 1018 Asexual/Agender, and Community

1019 LTC – Long-Term Care
1020 LTCOP - Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program
1021 MC/MD - Medicare/Medicaid
1022 MHI – Mental Health Institutions
1023 MIMR – Mental Illness Mental Retardation
1024 NCAR – National Child Abuse Registries
1025 NIH – National Institutes of Health
1026 NSF – National Science Foundation
1027 OAA – Older Americans Act
1028 PP - Planned Parenthood
1029 SNAP - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
1030 SNF – Skilled Nursing Facilities
1031 SS - Social Security
1032 STD – Sexually Transmitted Disease
1033 STI - Sexually Transmitted Infection
1034 TRAP - Targeted Regulation of Abortion Providers
1035 UCR – Usual and Customary Rates
1036 VAWA – Violence Against Women’s Act
1037 WIC – Women, Infants, and Children

HUMAN RIGHTS

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1041 We support:
1042 482. “Ban the Box”
1043 483. expanding domestic violence laws to include dating relationships
1044 484. laws promoting victims’ rights/safety
1045 485. funding agencies that address/resolve discrimination
1046 486. independent collection/public availability of policing data, increasing
1047 transparency/ending racial profiling
1048 487. human rights of all incarcerated including voting rights
1049 488. reviewing legal processes perpetuating disproportionate incarceration of
1050 POC/mandatory training about implicit bias in the justice system
1051 489. human rights of immigrants including due process/family preservation/pathway to
1052 citizenship
1053 490. sanctuary cities
1054 491. universal access to physical/mental healthcare/housing/living income/potable water
1055 492. equal rights of LGBTQIA+ residents in all areas
1056 493. strengthening education about implicit racial bias
1057 494. laws/policies affirming dignity/rights of vulnerable populations
1058 495. laws/policies providing safe/respectful workplaces
1059 496. all-gender restrooms
1060 497. strengthening laws/policies assisting people with disabilities
1061 498. requiring video/audio recording law enforcement during arrest/interrogation/public
1062 interactions and public access to recordings subject to victims’/informants’ rights
1063 499. rights of students to safe educational environments
1064 500. reproductive rights
1065 501. right to privacy

- 1066 502. U.S. following UDHR
- 1067 503. sovereign rights of indigenous people
- 1068 504. protection of all genders' rights from discrimination/harassment/retaliation
- 1069 505. reparations for African-Americans/Native Americans
- 1070 506. expanding Affirmative Action
- 1071 507. establishing US Commission on Human Rights
- 1072 508. expanding gender options, including opt-out, on government forms
- 1073 509. SSRA
- 1074 510. Federal/Iowa ERA
- 1075 511. Universal Habeas Corpus

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1077 We oppose:

- 1078 512. religious exemptions to anti-discrimination laws, including LGBTQIA+
- 1079 513. weakening policies/laws assisting people with disabilities in
- 1080 accessibility/education/employment
- 1081 514. local law enforcement performing immigration duties
- 1082 515. criminalization of addiction/drug use
- 1083 516. voter disenfranchisement through voter suppression/Voter
- 1084 ID/gerrymandering/citizenship question on census
- 1085 517. Stand-Your-Ground Laws except Castle Doctrine
- 1086 518. weakening separation of church and state
- 1087 519. insurance companies denying/limiting health coverage for any reason
- 1088 520. ageism
- 1089 521. drug testing for public assistance eligibility
- 1090 522. solitary confinement
- 1091 523. FOSTA-SESTA
- 1092 524. funding/staffing ICRC

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1094 **ACRONYMS USED IN THIS SECTION**

- 1095 SESTA/FOSTA - Stop Enabling Sex Trafficking Act/ Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act
- 1096 ERA - Equal Rights Act
- 1097 UDHR - Universal Declaration of Human Rights
- 1098 LGBTQIA+ - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning, Intersex,
- 1099 Asexual/Agender, and Community
- 1100 SYGL - Stand-Your-Ground-Laws
- 1101 SSRA - System Safety Risk Assessment
- 1102 ICE - U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement
- 1103 ICRC - International Committee of the Red Cross
- 1104 POC - People of Color

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INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

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1108 Peace and Security

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1110 We support:

- 1111 525. peaceful conflict resolution, normalized US diplomatic relations with all
- 1112 countries/multilateral solutions to international problems

- 1113 526. closing Guantanamo Bay detention facilities
- 1114 527. federal court access for non-US detainees
- 1115 528. promoting human dignity, resolving global poverty, protecting clean air/water,
- 1116 improving education, and reducing hunger/disease
- 1117 529. eliminating WMDs
- 1118 530. territorial integrity of all nations including native American nations
- 1119 531. **[MINORITY REPORT TO STRIKE 530]**
- 1120 532. cultural/educational exchange programs
- 1121 533. maintaining present NATO security alliances
- 1122 534. gender equality/empowerment of women/gender minorities
- 1123 535. taking military action only with clear national defense goals/ informed
- 1124 Congressional consent/ international cooperation
- 1125 536. ending violence against women and sexual/gender minorities, including genital
- 1126 mutilation/honor killings/forced marriage/rape/property confiscation
- 1127 537. prosecuting human traffickers via ICC, protecting victims
- 1128 538. free/fair/open elections
- 1129 539. stricter enforcement of FARA
- 1130 540. repealing 2001, 2002 US AUMF
- 1131 541. treating POWs/enemy combatants humanely
- 1132 542. assisting refugees
- 1133 543. reducing the military budget by 25% and discontinuing its use as an offensive
- 1134 force.
- 1135 544. **[MINORITY REPORT TO STRIKE 543]**
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1137 We oppose:

- 1138 545. economic exploitation
- 1139 546. racial/religious/sexual orientation/gender-identity persecution
- 1140 547. US-sponsored regime changes/ coups/juntas/unelected governments
- 1141 548. genocide
- 1142 549. ethnic cleansing
- 1143 550. terrorism
- 1144 551. imperialism
- 1145 552. preemptive military action
- 1146 553. military/financial support for oppressive regimes
- 1147 554. extra-legal/renditions/torture
- 1148 555. hybrid warfare
- 1149 556. election meddling

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1151 **Iran**

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1153 We support:

- 1154 557. diplomatic engagement
- 1155 558. a nuclear agreement

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1157 We oppose:

- 1158 559. offensive military action against Iran

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Israel/Palestine

We support:

- 560. equal human rights/health/welfare for Palestinians and Israelis
- 561. right of return/just compensation for displaced Palestinians
- 562. rights of BDS
- 563. escrowing aid to Israel until Israel recognizes Palestine at 1966 borders
- 564. Palestinian statehood/UN membership
- 565. peaceful efforts to achieve separate secure Israeli and Palestinian states respecting the rights of all persons

We oppose:

- 566. Israel Separation Barrier/settlement activities/moving the US Embassy to Jerusalem prior to final resolution and blockade of Gaza Strip
- 567. Anti-Semitism/Islamophobia

Afghanistan/Iraq/Syria

We support:

- 568. reconstruction and refugee resettlement
- 569. resolving the Syrian conflict and providing humanitarian assistance
- 570. US acceptance of 100,000 Syrian refugees annually

Yemen

We oppose:

- 571. Saudi involvement in Yemen

Ukraine

We support:

- 572. peaceful conflict resolution

We oppose:

- 573. Russian territorial annexation

Central and South America and the Caribbean

We support:

- 574. normalized relations with Cuba
- 575. immediately closing WHINSEC
- 576. investigating US government involvement in 2009 Honduras coup/subsequent activists' killings

We oppose:

- 577. US border wall

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1207 **Rainforests**
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1209 We oppose:
1210 578. clear-cutting
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1212 **Africa**
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1214 We support:
1215 579. famine relief
1216 580. funding economic/agricultural development
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1218 **Asia**
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1220 We support:
1221 581. containing North Korea's nuclear weapons diplomatically
1222 582. peacefully resolving disputed Pacific islands
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1224 **China**
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1226 We oppose:
1227 583. artificial islands in South China Sea
1228 584. Chinese occupation of Tibet
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1230 **Development Assistance**
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1232 We support:
1233 585. culturally sensitive/non-exploitative foreign aid and fair trade agreements protecting
1234 human rights, public health, workers' rights, the environment
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1236 **United Nations**
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1238 We support:
1239 586. US participation in the UN and its agencies, full dues payment
1240 587. ATTCC ATT
1241 588. meeting SDG
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1243 **Treaties and Conventions**
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1245 We support:
1246 589. ratification and/or full participation in:
1247 a. UDHR
1248 b. ICESCR
1249 c. CEDAW
1250 d. CRC
1251 e. CTBT
1252 f. BWC

- 1253 g. Paris Climate Agreement Under the (UNFCCC)
- 1254 h. CWC
- 1255 i. UNCRPD
- 1256 j. UNCLOS
- 1257 k. GFATM
- 1258 l. START
- 1259 m. RSICC
- 1260 n. NPT
- 1261 o. APMBC
- 1262 p. ICRW
- 1263 q. ICJ
- 1264 r. HRC
- 1265 s. US Action Plan on UNSCR 1325
- 1266 t. CCM
- 1267 u. OPCAT
- 1268 v. ICPPED
- 1269 w. Mine Ban Treaty
- 1270 x. IBHR

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1272 ACRONYMS USED IN THIS SECTION

- 1273 APMBC – Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention
- 1274 ATT ATTCC – Arms Trade Transfer Code of Conduct
- 1275 AUMF – Authorization for Use of Military Force
- 1276 BDS – Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions
- 1277 BWC – Biological Weapons Convention/1925 Geneva Protocol
- 1278 CCM – Convention on Cluster Munitions
- 1279 CEDAW – Committee on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women
- 1280 CRC – Convention on the Rights of the Child CTBT – Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty
- 1281 CWC – Chemical Weapons Convention.
- 1282 GFATM – Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria
- 1283 HRC – Human Rights Council
- 1284 IBHR – International Bill of Human Rights
- 1285 ICESCR – International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
- 1286 ICJ – International Court of Justice
- 1287 ICPPED – International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance.
- 1289 ICRW – International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling
- 1290 ISIL – The Islamic State of Syria and the Levant
- 1291 FARA – Foreign Agents Registration Act
- 1292 MENA – Middle East and North Africa
- 1293 NATO – North Atlantic Treaty Organization
- 1294 NPT – Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons
- 1295 OPCAT – Optional Protocol to the Convention on Torture
- 1296 RSICC – Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court
- 1297 SDG – Sustainable Development Goals
- 1298 START – Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty
- 1299 UDHR – Universal Declaration of Human Rights

1300 UNCLOS – United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea
1301 UNCRPD – United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
1302 UNFCCC – 1992 UN Framework Convention on Climate Change
1303 UNSCR 1325 – UN Security Council Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security
1304 WHINSEC WHISC – Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation, the
1305 Guantanamo detention facility
1306 WMD – Weapons of Mass Destruction

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VETERANS AND MILITARY

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1310 We support:

- 1311 590. investigation/prosecution of sexual assault/harassment in civilian courts
- 1312 591. full-service VA healthcare for LGBTQIA+
- 1313 592. rigorous oversight of VA hospitals
- 1314 593. increased funding/access to mental health services
- 1315 594. requiring VA payment for veterans' medical care when VA providers are > 30
1316 driving miles or the wait for services is > 30 days
- 1317 595. requiring VA physicians to inform/offer patients all potential treatments including
1318 cannabis
- 1319 596. 24-hour holds for suicidal veterans at VA facilities
- 1320 597. removing time limits for accessing GI-Bill/educational benefits
- 1321 598. increasing Veteran housing
- 1322 599. policies/funding, VA/VHA for rural/urban Iowa, employment assistance
- 1323 600. National Guard Education Assistance Benefits for Summer School
- 1324 601. citizenship for honorable service/discharges including deportees
- 1325 602. adequate funding for troop training/logistics/support

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1327 We oppose:

- 1328 603. privatization of VA hospitals/medical services
- 1329 604. using mercenaries/private military companies
- 1330 605. denying VA benefits for THC use
- 1331 606. stopping VA disability benefits if receiving SS

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1333 **ACRONYMS USED IN THIS SECTION**

1334 LEO - Law Enforcement Officer

1335 LGBTQIA+ - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning, Intersex,
1336 Asexual/Agender, and Community

1337 SS - Social Security