

Minority Reports

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Plank 247 – Passed
Plank 544 – Passed

Proposed Resolution

We members of the Iowa Democratic Party in Convention on Saturday, June 16, 2018 do with resolve condemn the Trump administrations rollbacks and proposed rollbacks of the attached 68 environmental protections that will decimate our environment and add to climate change and warming.

33 rules have been overturned

1. Flood building standards
2. Proposed ban on a potentially harmful pesticide
3. Freeze on new coal leases on public lands
4. Methane reporting requirements
5. Anti-dumping rule for coal companies
6. Decision on Keystone XL pipeline
7. Decision on Dakota Access pipeline
8. Third-party settlement funds
9. Offshore drilling ban in the Atlantic and Arctic
10. Ban on seismic air gun testing in the Atlantic
11. Northern Bering Sea climate resilience plan
12. Royalty regulations for oil, gas and coal
13. Inclusion of greenhouse gas emissions in environmental reviews
14. Permit-issuing process for new infrastructure projects
15. Green Climate Fund contributions
16. Endangered species listings
17. Hunting ban on wolves and grizzly bears in Alaska
18. Protections for whales and sea turtles
19. Reusable water bottles rules for national parks
20. National parks climate order
21. Environmental mitigation for federal projects
22. Calculation for "social cost" of carbon
23. Planning rule for public lands
24. Copper filter cake listing as hazardous waste
25. Mine cleanup rule
26. Sewage treatment pollution regulations
27. Ban on use of lead ammunition on federal lands
28. Restrictions on fishing
29. Fracking regulations on public lands

30. Migratory bird protections
31. Department of Interior climate policies
32. Rule regulating industrial polluters
33. Safety standards for "high hazard" trains

24 rollbacks are in progress

1. Clean Power Plan
2. Paris climate agreement
3. Car and truck fuel-efficiency standards
4. Offshore oil and gas leasing
5. Status of 10 national monuments
6. Status of 12 marine areas
7. Limits on toxic discharge from power plants
8. Coal ash discharge regulations
9. Emission standards for new, modified and reconstructed power plants
10. Emission rules for power plant start-up and shutdown
11. Sage grouse habitat protections
12. Regulations on oil and gas drilling in some national parks
13. Oil rig safety regulations
14. Regulations for offshore oil and gas exploration by floating vessels
15. Drilling in the Arctic Wildlife Refuge
16. Hunting method regulations in Alaska
17. Requirement for tracking emissions on federal highways
18. Emission standards for trailers and glider kits
19. Limits on methane emissions on public lands

20. Permitting process for air-polluting plants
21. Use of birds in subsistence handicrafts
22. Coal dust rule
23. Haze rule for national parks
24. Review process for forest restoration projects

10 rollbacks are in limbo

1. Wetland and tributary protections
2. Methane emission limits at new oil and gas wells
3. Limits on landfill emissions
4. Mercury emission limits for power plants
5. Hazardous chemical facility regulations
6. Groundwater protections for uranium mines
7. Efficiency standards for appliances
8. Efficiency standards for federal buildings
9. Rule helping consumers buy fuel-efficient tires
10. Aircraft emissions standards
11. Redaction of USDA-NRCS RUSLE3 in February of 2017

Resolution Passed

Petition #1 – Education – at Line 464, at Plank 202:

Append the word “federally” to the beginning of the plank so it reads “federally funding IDEA at 40%”

Petition 1 Passed

Petition #2 – Agriculture - between Lines 113 and 114, between Planks 20 and 21, add:

We support:

CAFO liquid manure being separated by CAFO owner, on site; solids from water, and water being returned to drinkable quality.

Petition 2 Failed

Petition #3 – Government - Lines 1164-1166, Planks 561, 562, and 563:

strike due to factual inaccuracies & contradictions to the National Democratic Platform.

Motion to divide into 3 planks Failed

Petition 3 Failed

Petition #4 – Government – after Line 748, after Plank 386, add a new plank:

We oppose:

separating minor children from their parents when they are trying to enter the country.

Petition 4 Passed

Petition #5 – Government – at Line 663, at Plank 333, replace with:

We oppose:

ex-offender housing-discrimination with the exception of convicted spouse abusers, child abuse, sexual-abuse, domestic partner abuse

Petition 5 Failed

Petition #6 – Principles – Lines 18-79, replace with:

We affirm the Democratic Party's contributions to our nation's heritage, accomplishments, and diversity. We recognize and advocate for the rights and worth of every human being. We strive to secure, defend, and preserve basic constitutional and civil rights. We support the separation of church and state as envisioned by our founding fathers and incorporated into the Constitution of the United States. We believe government's purpose is to help us achieve a just and sustainable world.

We advocate for agricultural and environmental policies that sustain the family farm while preserving the quality of our land and resources. We support workers' rights to collectively bargain for living wages and benefits, safe healthy working conditions, and secure retirement. We will work to restore historical progressive taxation and economic fairness. We believe in individuals' right to privacy and adequate legal representation, and in families' quests to

become healthy, educated, contributing citizens. We support parents, students, and educators as they strive for high standards, free and open access to knowledge and information, and fact-based science and health education. We stand with our elderly in their need for dignity, income and healthcare security.

Government of, by, and for ALL the people is the substance of our national quest, and the obligation of our legislative processes, ensuring that everyone is equal in the eyes of the law, and no one is above its application. We condemn all forms of discrimination and hold dear our obligation to secure and defend basic constitutional and civil rights. We will strive to achieve a comprehensive health care system that maximizes mental and physical health for individuals and families.

We support world-wide demands for justice and opportunity, and a return to foreign policy that will achieve cooperation in resolving international problems, and equality of rights for all human beings. We honor the service of our military veterans in war and peace. We intend to achieve truly representative government that works for the good of ALL human beings in a compassionate responsible, progressive way toward peace, prosperity, and a national outlook of confidence and hope.

Petition 6 Passed

Petition #7 – Government – after Line 1134, after Plank 543, add:

We support:

Reforming the Pentagon's acquisition system, its funding levels and its allocation of funds.

Petition 7 Passed

Petition #8 – Economy – after Line 358, after Plank 160, add:

We support:

a federal jobs and infrastructure program employing Puerto Ricans.

Petition 8 Passed

Petition #9 – Veterans – after Line 1331, after Plank 606, add:

We oppose:

trans-ban

Petition 9 Passed

Petition #10 – Human – at Line 1042, at Plank 482, replace with:

We support:

fair access to employment and housing for felons.

Petition 10 Failed

Petition #11 – Resolution

Whereas the Trump Administration has supported and justified a policy of turning away asylum seekers and deliberately separating children from their parents.

Therefore, we as Iowa Democrats condemn these actions and call on all Iowa Democratic candidates to be against these actions and prioritize it in their campaign issues and agenda.

Resolution 11 Passed

Petition #12 – Agriculture – after Line 165, after Plank 53, add:

We support:

tax credits for renewable energy and energy efficiency

Petition 12 Passed

Petition #13 – Agriculture – at Line 100, at Plank 8, replace with:

We support:

increasing SNAP funding and benefits, and indexing SNAP to cost of living

Petition 13 Passed

Petition #14 – Education – after Line 496, after Plank 230, add:

We support:

free nutritional meals for all students, accommodating special diets, and food backpack programs

Petition 14 Passed

Petition #15 – Government – at Line 741, at Plank 379, append to the end, so it reads:

We oppose:

detaining undocumented minors and the inhumane separation of children from their families

Petition 15 Withdrawn

Petition #16 – International – at Line 1149, at Plank 556, append to the end, so it read:

We oppose:

election meddling by foreign nations, and call for the protection of Special Counsel Robert Mueller's investigation

Petition 16 Failed

Petition #17 – Human – after Line 1075, after Plank 511, add:

We support:

the rights of transgender and gender-nonconforming persons, including:

- a. adding gender identity to hate crimes legislation
- b. protections for transgender and gender-nonconforming persons in jails and prisons
- c. adding sexual orientation and gender identity to non-discrimination policies for foster care, adoption, and jury service
- d. making transgender and gender-nonconforming identity protected classes

Petition 17 Passed

Petition #18 – Economy – after Line 329, after Plank 141, add:

We support:

making all forms of wage theft and pension theft illegal with penalties and support to enforce the law

Petition 18 Passed

Petition #19 – Government – after Line 748, after Plank 386, add:

We oppose:

internment and concentration camps

Petition 19 Passed

Petition #20 – International – after Line 1135, after Plank 544, add:

We support:

a requirement for approval by 2/3 of Congress prior to first strike deployment of nuclear weapons

Petition 20 Failed

Petition #21 – Education – at Lines 454-461, at Plank 200, append to the end:

We support:

- h. special education and similar programs, including twice exceptional
- i. gifted programs

Petition 21 Passed

Petition #22 – Government – At Line 546, at Plank 245, replace with:

We support:

as a condition of ballot inclusion, mandatory release of state/national candidates' tax returns to a panel which will disclose potential conflicts of interest to the public

Petition 22 Ruled Out of Order (because the plank was already amended by the Minority Report on Line 548, Plank 247)

Appeal from Ruling Failed

Petition #23 – Government – after Line 536, after Plank 236, add:

We support:

study and adoption of alternative voting systems, such as approval voting, score voting, and IRV.

Petition 23 Failed

Petition #24 – Resolution - add to a proposed resolution

Redaction of USDA-NRCS RUSLE3 in February of 2017

Petition 24 Deferred

Petition #25 – International – at Line 1166, Plank 563,
reserve for debate

Petition 25 Did Not Have Enough Signatures

Petition #26 – Government – at Line 539, at Plank 239,
replace with:

We support:

voter-owned elections including:

- a. publicly funded campaigns/elections
- b. mandatory election audits truth in political advertising open-source software/paper-trailed voting-systems ending Citizens United, superdelegates, Super-PACs, and gerrymandering

Strike lines 240, 252, 255, 258, 262, 263, 269 (now included in 239)

Rationale: It would be good to have one plank that makes a clear and comprehensive statement about our position on billionaire-owned campaigns and elections. This amendment pulls together several elements of our opposition to billionaire-owned elections into one comprehensive plank that makes it easy for lawmakers and the voting public to see where we stand on this issue.

Petition 26 Failed

Petition #27 – Principles – at Lines 13 – 79, replace with:

We believe the purpose of government is to act on behalf of the public good, to create and execute policies and laws that promote and protect everyone's human rights equally, to protect our shared environment, to promote justice, safety and security and to oversee the equitable distribution of resources, affording all citizens the opportunity to attain their highest level of social, cultural, economic, mental and physical well-being.

We are committed to the inclusion and full participation of diverse populations in our society, in the Democratic Party and in the democratic processes of government regardless of status within any protected class such as age, race, gender, religious belief, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical characteristics, associational preference, ethnicity, disability, illness or language.

We are committed to social and economic justice. Whenever the rights of anyone are threatened, the rights of all are endangered. We take seriously the obligation to uphold the Constitution and the Bill of Rights, to preserve, protect and secure human rights, civil rights and civil liberties.

We believe in a society in which fairness and community are guiding values, where every person has an equal opportunity. We believe the family, traditional or non-traditional, should be sustained and enhanced. We share, through government, the responsibility to assist those families that cannot adequately provide for their members.

We are strongly committed to free public education and providing accessible, affordable, and lifelong quality education at all educational levels; an educated and informed citizenry is essential for a democratic society. Solving the serious complexities of crime and violence in society requires multifaceted solutions involving education, legislation, community action, and personal responsibility.

We believe all people have a right to accessible, affordable, quality health care and the benefits of continued medical research.

We believe a full and rewarding life also includes the opportunity to access, participate in and support the arts and humanities.

We demand that our governing bodies develop policies promoting sound energy practices, permanently protecting our environment, and addressing the problems of global warming.

We cherish our land and family farms and recognize the fundamental right of all peoples to safe and healthy food sustainably produced. We deplore the concentration of food production in the hands of a few corporations.

We believe a healthy American economy depends on the dignity with which the American worker is treated and the right of all workers to bargain collectively. We support organized labor. A sustainable economy and job-growth

depend on a positive climate for small business development.

We support a progressive system of taxation.

We support military/veterans care.

We are committed to honest and open government.

We affirm the ideal of a world in which all peoples live peacefully with tolerance and good will toward others. United States foreign and domestic policy decisions should promote that ideal. We support candidates running as Democrats adhering to this Democratic Platform.

Petition 27 Ruled Out of Order because the Statement of Principles had already been amended by Petition 6

Appeal from Ruling Failed

Petition #28 – Government – at Line 628, at Plank 306, replace with

We support:

Improving police/community relations including:

- a. de-escalation and bias training and programs
- b. independent investigations of deaths involving police/corrections
- c. mandatory use of body cams
- d. citizens' review boards

- e. community policing
- f. reforming civil/criminal forfeiture laws
- g. ending for-profit jails/prisons: mandatory-minimum sentencing; bail-system abuse; militarization of law-enforcement;
- h. "Stop-and-Frisk" policies; and police use of unprovoked or excessive force

Strike planks 307, 311, 315, 316, 325, 327, 328, 329, 330 because they are now included in the comprehensive plank #306

Petition 28 Failed

Special Resolution in call booklet Passed