#### **RESOLUTION NO 2018-02 ALGOP WINTER MEETING**

# Legislation to Ban Abortions of Babies Having or Likely Having Down Syndrome

**WHEREAS**, the Republican Party and the people of Alabama have a longstanding commitment to the sanctity of life and opposing all abortions as evidenced by existing Alabama law which makes it illegal to aid or abet any abortion, punishable by up to one year in the county jail and up to a \$1,000 fine for each occurrence.

**WHEREAS**, A significant number of babies who have, or who are suspected of having Down Syndrome are discriminated against and aborted primarily because of their Down Syndrome condition depriving them of their God-given right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

**WHEREAS**, Other states have passed legislation banning abortion of babies with Down Syndrome, including Ohio and North Dakota which have not been challenged in federal court and whereas Alabama has no such law to protect babies with Down Syndrome.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY** the Alabama Republican Party that the Alabama State Legislative and Executive Branches of government pass legislation in the 2018 session to ban all abortions of babies which have been diagnosed as having, or suspected of having Down Syndrome, and that penalties be established as a minimum to revoke the medical licenses of physicians who perform an abortion of a person with Down Syndrome and to impose penalties of fines and incarceration.

Adopted, the 24th day of February, in the Year of Our Lord 2018, by the State Executive Committee of the Alabama Republican Party.

Terry Lathan, Chairwoman Alabama Republican Party Elaine Ridenour Secretary Alabama Republican Party

Submitted By: Reverend James Henderson Ben McGee

#### **RESOLUTION NO 2018-03 ALGOP WINTER MEETING**

## **Immigration Law Regarding Illegal Immigrants**

**WHEREAS**, Alabama is not a sanctuary state and has no sanctuary cities for illegal immigrants and has no intention of becoming one, nor allowing sanctuary cities, and strongly supports President Trump's efforts to detain and deport illegal immigrants for the protection of our citizens.

**WHEREAS**, The people of Alabama enacted into law House Bill 56 in 2011 establishing restrictions to protect the people of Alabama from the impacts of illegal immigrants on our jobs, on our overall economy and on our public services.

**WHEREAS**, the provisions of HB 56 should be strengthened and enforced to the maximum extent possible to better protect our citizens.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY** the Alabama Republican Party that the Alabama State legislative and executive branches of government pass legislation to strengthen the provisions of HB 56 and that all elected office holders in Alabama strongly support the provisions of HB 56 which have not been specifically blocked by liberal federal judges.

Adopted, the 24th day of February, in the Year of Our Lord 2018, by the State Executive Committee of the Alabama Republican Party.

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#### **RESOLUTION NO 2018-04 ALGOP WINTER MEETING**

## **Resolution Opposing DACA Legislation**

WHEREAS, the Alabama Republican Executive Committee affirms that we are a Nation of Laws and that the rule of law is a necessary component of any ordered society; and that a primary function of government is to protect its citizens in the enjoyment of life, liberty and property, and when the government fails to do such, through omission or commission, there is lawlessness in the land and insecurity in the citizen; and

**WHEREAS,** illegal immigration is a national problem which has cost state and federal governments billions of taxpayers' dollars, and which will cost additional trillions of taxpayers' dollars in the future.

**WHEREAS**, President Donald Trump and members of the U. S. Congress have proposed a bill regarding the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals ("DACA").

**WHEREAS,** the "DACA" bill being proposed by the President and members of the U. S. Congress is a grant of amnesty to people who have entered our country illegally; and

**WHEREAS,** we as members of the Executive Committee of the Alabama Republican Party dare to be women and men who will endeavor to not only adhere to the rule of law, but also to defend it.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Alabama Republican Executive Committee that we as a body oppose any proposed "DACA" bill which grants amnesty, and we further request that Senator Shelby, Congressman Aderholt, Congressman Palmer, Congressman Byrne, Congressman Brooks, Congresswoman Roby, and Congressman Rogers oppose, vote against and/or filibuster such legislation.

Done and passed by the Alabama Republican Executive Committee the 24th day of February, 2018.

Terry Lathan Chairman, State Republican Executive Committee

Submitted by: S.D. King

#### **RESOLUTION NO 2018-05 ALGOP WINTER MEETING**

## Legislation to enact an Alabama Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Law

**WHEREAS**, the Republican Party and the people of Alabama have a longstanding commitment to defend the sanctity of life and opposing all abortions as evidenced by existing Alabama law which makes it illegal to aid or abet any abortion, punishable by up to one year in the county jail and up to a \$1,000 fine for each occurrence.

**WHEREAS**, It has been scientifically substantiated that babies aborted after 20 weeks from fertilization experience pain when they are killed, an intolerable and unacceptable atrocity as is the act of abortion itself.

**WHEREAS**, Alabama's junior senator, Doug Jones, has helped defeat this legislation at the national level, voting against the U.S. Senate Pain Capable bill, H.R. 36 on January 29th which had previously passed the U.S. State House of Representatives. This is unacceptable to the Alabama Republican Party and the people of Alabama.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY** the Alabama Republican Party that the Alabama State Legislative and Executive Branches of government pass legislation in the 2018 session to ban all abortions of babies beyond 20 weeks of fertilization, unless the mother's life is at stake.

Adopted, the 24th day of February, in the Year of Our Lord 2018, by the State Executive Committee of the Alabama Republican Party.

Terry Lathan
Chairwoman Alabama Republican Party

Elaine Ridenour Secretary Alabama Republican Party

Submitted By: Reverend James Henderson Don Wallace Ben McGee

#### **RESOLUTION NO 2018-06 ALGOP WINTER MEETING**

# Resolution Calling for Amending the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act ("FISA")

WHEREAS, the Alabama Republican Executive Committee affirms the following:

WHEREAS, we believe that as Republicans we should always strive to do that which is right.

**WHEREAS**, we believe that our representative form of government is the best ever devised for the governing of free people; and that such constitutional civil rights are being ignored and/or violated by our own government.

**WHEREAS**, we understand that power can corrupt the best of people and that absolute power can absolutely corrupt the very best of people.

**WHEREAS**, we believe and know that our Constitution protects us from the end justifies-the means mentality.

**THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED** by the State Republican Executive Committee that we as a body call for Senator Shelby, Congressman Aderholt, Congressman Palmer, Congressman Byrne, Congressman Brooks, Congresswoman Roby, and Congressman Rogers to introduce legislation to amend the FISA law so the abuses which occurred under the Obama Administration can never happen under any present or future Administration.

Done and passed by the State Republican Executive Committee this the 24th day of February, 2018.

Terry Lathan Chairman Alabama Republican Executive Committee

Submitted by: S.D. King

#### **RESOLUTION NO 2018-07 ALGOP WINTER MEETING**

### **Resolution Honoring the Life of Reverend Billy Graham**

Honoring the life of the Reverend Billy Graham and recognizing his decades of public service and his commitment to furthering the faith of Christians around the world.

**WHEREAS**, Billy Graham was born on November 7, 1918, and raised on a dairy farm in Charlotte, North Carolina, where he learned the values of hard work and family;

**WHEREAS**, Billy Graham committed himself to Jesus Christ at the age of 16 and was ordained in 1939 into the Southern Baptist Convention;

**WHEREAS**, Billy Graham graduated from Wheaton College in Illinois in 1949 and studied Scriptures at Florida Bible Institute;

**WHEREAS**, Billy Graham spent the years during and immediately after World War II ministering to youth and members of the Armed Forces in Europe and the United States;

**WHEREAS**, during the Cold War, and amidst the spread of Communism, Billy Graham risked a great deal to journey to the Soviet bloc to oppose state- sponsored atheism;

**WHEREAS**, Billy Graham utilized the power of his ministry to speak out against apartheid in South Africa;

WHEREAS, Billy Graham has provided religious advice and counsel to Presidents Harry S. Truman, Dwight D. Eisenhower, John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson, Richard M. Nixon, Gerald R. Ford, Jimmy Carter, Ronald Reagan, George H. W. Bush, William J. Clinton, and George W. Bush, numerous Members of Congress, and other dignitaries, including Sir Winston Churchill, Queen Elizabeth II, Margaret Thatcher, Boris Yeltsin, Mikhail Gorbachev, Yitzhak Rabin, Golda Meir, Francois Mitter and, Helmut Kohl, King Hussein, and Indira Gandhi, among many;

WHEREAS, Billy Graham has been named as an honorary knight by the Order of the British Empire, and has been the recipient of, among others, the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation of Freedom Award, the Congressional Gold Medal, the Templeton Foundation Prize for Progress in Religion, and the Big Brother Award;

**WHEREAS**, since 1948, Billy Graham has been listed in Gallup's poll of the "Ten Most Admired Men in the World" more than 50 times;

WHEREAS, Billy Graham has authored 27 books, including many best-sellers, such his memoirs, "Just as I Am", as well as "Approaching Hoof beats: The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse", "How to be Born Again", "Angels: God's Secret Agents", and, "The Jesus Generation"; Whereas the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association (BGEA) was formed in 1950, and ministers to the public through a weekly radio program that has broadcast worldwide for over 50 years, television broadcasts on over 150 channels across the United States and in Canada, internationally and nationally syndicated newspaper columns, a magazine published by BGEA with a circulation of over 600,000, and more than 125 evangelistic films;

**WHEREAS**, since 1973, the BGEA World Emergency Relief Fund has given more than \$10 million for domestic and international disaster relief;

**WHEREAS**, Billy Graham has personally reached more people through his ministry than any other preacher in history (almost 215 million individuals in over 185 countries, and many more through radio and television); and

**WHEREAS**, Billy Graham embodies the message conveyed in scripture in Mark 16:15: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature";

**WHEREAS**, Billy Graham passed from this Earthly life on February 21, 2018 at the age of 99 years;

**THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Alabama Republican Party honors the life of the Reverend Billy Graham and recognizes his decades of public service and his commitment to furthering the faith of Christians around the world.

Adopted, the 24th day of February, in the Year of Our Lord 2018, by the State Executive Committee of the Alabama Republican Party.

Terry Lathan
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Submitted By: Perry O. Hooper, Jr.