

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-08 ALGOP SUMMER MEETING
In Support of Constitutional Carry**

WHEREAS, the Republican Party Platform supports the 2nd Amendment to the United States Constitution which guarantees the right of the people to keep and bear arms without government infringement; and

WHEREAS, Section 26 of the Alabama Constitution guarantees, "that every citizen has a right to bear arms in defense of himself and the state; and

WHEREAS, 14 other states have already passed constitutional carry laws, several of these states being generally more liberal than Alabama; and

WHEREAS, our closest neighboring state, Mississippi, is one of those 14 states; and

WHEREAS, the people of Alabama have always been proud of our liberties and have been quick to protect them; and

WHEREAS, research has proven that restricting and hindering the right to bear arms only encourages criminals and their actions in violent crimes against law-abiding citizens; and

WHEREAS, demanding law-abiding citizens to request permission and be forced to pay a fee to their government body through a permit system in order to exercise their constitutional right to bear arms is an unmistakable violation of that right; and

WHEREAS, this unalienable right unmistakably gives the right to carry a handgun for self- defense;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Republican party of Alabama respectfully requests our elected officials to publicly support, vote for, and/or co-sponsor an Alabama Constitutional Carry Bill in the 2019 legislative session, and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that Speaker Mac McCutcheon (Chairman of the Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security), Representative Allen Treadaway (Chairman of the Standing Committee on the Judiciary), Representative Jim Hill and Governor Kay Ivey in particular be urged to vote for and encourage the forward movement of an Alabama Constitutional Carry Bill in the 2019 legislative session; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Alabama Senate be applauded for passing a Constitutional Carry bill in past sessions, and that the Senate be encouraged to do so again in the 2019 legislative session; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that, upon passage, this resolution be sent to the Governor and to all Republican members of the State Senate and the State House.

Submitted by Noah Wahl, Limestone County

Adopted this the 25 day of August 2018 by the Executive Committee of the Alabama Republican Party in session at Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-09 ALGOP SUMMER MEETING
In Support of Ten Commandments Amendment**

WHEREAS, the Alabama Legislature passed the Alabama Ten Commandments Amendment during its 2018 session thereby confirming the right to publicly display the Ten Commandments; and

WHEREAS, the people of Alabama, on the November 6, 2018 general election, will vote on whether to ratify this amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Ten Commandments contain basic principles that are central to Western and American law and government, including respect for life, respect for property, respect for family, respect for honesty, and respect for God as the source of legitimate governmental authority and the grantor of unalienable human rights; and

WHEREAS, in order to preserve domestic tranquility and protect the blessings of liberty, the foundation of any government must rest upon both law and morality; and

WHEREAS, the underpinnings of our system of government are rooted in a steadfast belief in Almighty God and the conviction that all morality, justice and unalienable rights derive from His gracious hand; and

WHEREAS, the Founders' desire to publicly acknowledge God as the source of America's strength and direction is reflected in many of our founding documents and practices, from the Mayflower Compact and the Declaration of Independence to the National Motto and our Nations' Thanksgiving Day celebrations; and

WHEREAS, since our nation's birth, federal, state and local governing bodies have continued to invoke divine guidance, and celebrate the role the Bible has played in America, by issuing faith-based proclamations and opening each legislative session with prayer and supplication, a practice instituted by the First United States Congress and which has continued unbroken to this day; and

WHEREAS, throughout America's rich history, both the citizenry and their elected officials alike have deeply respected the Ten Commandments, their profound influence on the formation of American legal thought, and their fundamental place in the history of law and government as a whole; and

WHEREAS, countless depictions of Moses and the Ten Commandments can be found throughout our nation's capital as a testament to the Decalogue's undeniable role in our country's foundations and legal traditions; and

WHEREAS, Chief Justice William Rehnquist stated in *Van Orden v. Perry*, 545 U.S. 677 (2005) that the Ten Commandments may rightfully be displayed in the public arena because "Moses was a lawgiver as well as a religious leader", and the "Ten Commandments have undeniable historic meaning"; and

WHEREAS, it is important that these revered tablets continue to grace our public buildings as a reminder to this generation and to the next of the vital role the Ten Commandments and its author have played in shaping our great Republic;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Alabama Republican Executive Committee wholeheartedly stand behind the unrestricted display of the Ten Commandments; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that the Alabama Republican Executive Committee support Alabama Amendment 1, known as the Ten Commandments Amendment, and that it encourage the people of Alabama to vote "yes" on Amendment 1 in the General election to be held on the 6th day of November 2018.

Submitted by John Wahl

Adopted this the 25 day of August 2018 by the Executive Committee of the Alabama Republican Party in session at Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

**RESOLUTION NO 18-10 ALGOP SUMMER MEETING
In Support of RNC Resolution Concerning Education**

WHEREAS, on July 20, 2018, in Austin, Texas, the Republican National Committee unanimously adopted a resolution sponsored by Cynthia Dunbar, National Committeewoman for the State of Virginia, expressing concern over sex education in US schools; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the RNC resolution is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Republican Executive Committee agrees that the subject of sex education for children has become increasingly sensitive and controversial; and

WHEREAS, we, the members of the Alabama Republican Executive Committee, concur completely with all the points made in this national resolution supporting the right of parents and/or guardians to grant prior written consent as a condition for their children being exposed to sex education in the nation's public schools;

BE IT RESOLVED THEREFORE, that the Alabama State Board of Education and the Alabama legislature be encouraged to enact policies and legislation to ensure Alabama students are protected, and their parents and/or guardians are allowed to direct their education, care and upbringing, including the right to protect them from exposure to content they find unsuitable.

Submitted by Betty Peters

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