



## **Individual Resolutions**

Proposed by the NHDP Resolutions Committee for Consideration  
at the NHDP State Convention on Jun 18th, 2022.

All Resolutions were Unanimously Adopted by the Resolutions Committee

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## **Resolution 44**

**Topic: A Resolution Celebrating the Commitment of AAPI Dems Caucus's Appointment to the NHDP State Committee.**

Primary Sponsor: Shideko Terai

Co-Sponsors: Cora Quisumbing-King, Sumathi Madhure, Luz Bay, Nikhil Vootkur,

Daniel Dong

Date Submitted: May 6, 2022

**A Resolution Related to Celebrating the Commitment of Asian American & Pacific Islander Caucus's Appointment, for Consideration by the New Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, June 18, 2022.**

WHEREAS, our unity and organization will allow us to increase our power and influence so that we are better able to address key issues in our Asian American & Pacific Islander (AAPI) communities; and

WHEREAS, we are diverse, honoring different cultural backgrounds, and united in our shared purpose to advocate for our AAPI communities; and

WHEREAS, we embrace collective liberation in the context of an anti-racist organizing culture that promotes the powerful, accountable racial justice contributions of the other NHDP caucuses by recognizing diversity in the spirit of inclusivity; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate that Democrats are united with the AAPIs in advocating for equal access to education, social services, health and other government programs and services; protection against hate crimes and defense of civil rights and liberties; migrant/immigrant rights and dignity; protection against all forms of discrimination and exploitation in the workplace; protection of the environment; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge the enduring relationship between Democrats nationally and the AAPI communities resulting from a long history of shared values and respect for community and individual opportunity and in which AAPIs are the fastest-growing racial/ethnic group in the country, with more than 15 million citizens nationwide; and

WHEREAS, we inform the members of NHDP that the AAPI immigrants are those from East Asia (EA), South Asia (SA), Southeast Asia (SEA) as well as the Pacific Islands (PI) in which Pacific Islanders refers to people having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa and other Pacific Islands; and

WHEREAS, we highlight the accomplishments of AAPI Dems thus far which have been in 2019-2020 to: create a Private Facebook Group on March 15, 2019 and Public Page soon after the Affirmative Action Committee convened; celebrate NH AAPI sisters and brothers who ran as delegates to the 2020 DNC (Feb 2020); increase membership on Facebook Private Group; organize phone banking and post card writing as part of GOTV 2020; identified AAPIs on VoteBuilder (ongoing); convened three caucuses for members: June election of officers, Sept election of SA officer, and December caucus to elect EA/PI officer & review accomplishments; enhance Bylaws template from NHDP by including AAPI goals gleaned from selected AAPI caucuses (Bylaws approved July 2020); endorse local AAPI candidates running for the State House & other positions (Dan Dong, Latha Mangipudi, Ben Ming, Safiya Wazir, Madalasa Gurung); conducted monthly officer meetings; and

WHEREAS, in 2021 our highlighted accomplishments include: organize deftly and quickly mobilize a #StopAsianHate rally (March 21, 2021 in Concord) with over 300 people joining us in response to the murders of Asians in Atlanta (March 16 , 2021); publish a statement by AAPI Dems in response to Rep. Nicole Klein-Knight,D-Manchester, for using the “N” word repeatedly in conversation with a Black activist after he testified at a committee hearing; publish a statement of solidarity with the Latino Caucus to lift Title 42; seven caucus meetings plus a special caucus to elect a new treasurer to fill a vacant seat; National Day of Service for Afghan refugees in collaboration with Ascentria & Hollis Rotary Club; and other online events celebrating cultural holy/holidays within the AAPI community; Lessons Learned from My Campaign presentation and discussion; and plans for a virtual event, Our Voice, Our Vote – Your Voice, Your Power with keynote speaker Bel-Leong Hong (AAPI Victory Alliance) on Wednesday, October 5, 2022 at 6 PM; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2022 New Hampshire Democratic State Convention lifts up and celebrates the addition of the Asian American & Pacific Islander constituency caucus to the NHDP State Committee with voting rights as explained in the newly adopted NHDP Bylaws.

## Resolution 45

**Topic: Cancer Prevention by reducing environmental exposures and addressing climate change**

Primary Sponsor: Hon. Mindi Messmer

Co-sponsors: Burt Cohen, Rep. Mike Edgar, Erica de Vries, Patty McKenzie, Tom Maher, Melanie Muns, Mary McCarthy, Rep. David Meuse, Hon. Nancy Murphy, Rep. Wendy Chase, Rep. Larry Welkowitz, Sen. Peter Hoe Burling, Rep. Charlotte DiLorenzo

Date Submitted: April 26, 2022

**Resolution calling upon the State of New Hampshire to reduce environmental exposures to prevent cancer and chronic disease and needless deaths, for Consideration by the New Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, June 18, 2022.**

WHEREAS, the New Hampshire has lost many children and adults to cancer; and,

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the state of New Hampshire has the highest rate of pediatric cancer in the nation; and,

WHEREAS, according to the CDC New Hampshire has the highest rates of several cancers in the nation; and,

WHEREAS, there is a double pediatric cancer cluster in a five-town area on the NH Seacoast; and,

WHEREAS, the citizens of Merrimack NH experience elevated rates of at least four cancers; and,

WHEREAS, exposure to per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances or "PFAS" is associated with more severe COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, people with cancer are more vulnerable to severe COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, NH citizens are exposed to PFAS, arsenic, uranium, and other agents in drinking water that are known to cause cancer; and,

WHEREAS, the suffering of cancer patients and their families threatens economic development when it affects economically active members of society; and,

WHEREAS, the cost of cancer and chronic disease is a burden on NH's economy and the healthcare system; and,

WHEREAS, according to the US Department of Health and Human Services at least two-thirds of cancers could be prevented by minimizing environmental causes; and,

WHEREAS, New Hampshire has lost many child and adult lives to cancer which may have been prevented; and,

WHEREAS, climate change is progressing and stressors result in increased cancers and more severe cancer outcomes; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Hampshire Democratic Party prioritizes reducing cancer incidence, mortality, and encouraging, and implementing policies aimed at reducing environmental exposures; and, that the New Hampshire Democratic Party prioritizes policy that reduces the state's contribution to emissions that cause climate change; and, that the New Hampshire Democratic Party supports COVID-19 policies and public health recommendations that protect the most vulnerable to severe outcomes including those with cancer; and, that the New Hampshire Democratic Party supports policy to improve the quality of life of cancer patients and their families by supporting policies that improve early detection, diagnosis, treatment, rehabilitation, and palliative care.

## **Resolution 46**

### **Topic: A Resolution Honoring the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation**

Primary Sponsor: Hon. Raymond Buckley

Co-Sponsors: The Democratic Mayors of New Hampshire; Andrew Hosmer, Jim Bouley, Jim Donchess, Deaglan McEachern, Dale Girard, Paul Grenier, Joyce Craig, Dana Hilliard, Bob Carrier

Date Submitted: May 6, 2022

### **Honoring the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation, for Consideration by the New Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, June 18, 2022.**

WHEREAS, U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen, U.S. Senator Maggie Hassan, Congresswoman Ann McLane Kuster and Congressman Chris Pappas have been steadfast leaders throughout the COVID-19 pandemic by delivering unprecedented federal relief to help New Hampshire communities respond to and recover from the public health emergency and

WHEREAS, U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen, U.S. Senator Maggie Hassan, Congresswoman Ann McLane Kuster and Congressman Chris Pappas have been champions for reproductive rights and fought tirelessly to protect access to safe and legal abortion and

WHEREAS, U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen, U.S. Senator Maggie Hassan, Congresswoman Ann McLane Kuster and Congressman Chris Pappas have defended the integrity of our democracy and fought to strengthen voting rights and

WHEREAS, U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen, U.S. Senator Maggie Hassan, Congresswoman Ann McLane Kuster and Congressman Chris Pappas have secured historic investments to address local infrastructure needs and

WHEREAS, U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen, U.S. Senator Maggie Hassan, Congresswoman Ann McLane Kuster and Congressman Chris Pappas have championed policies that expand access to quality and affordable health care and

WHEREAS, U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen, U.S. Senator Maggie Hassan, Congresswoman Ann McLane Kuster and Congressman Chris Pappas have delivered federal funds to address New Hampshire's affordable housing crisis and

WHEREAS, U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen, U.S. Senator Maggie Hassan, Congresswoman Ann McLane Kuster and Congressman Chris Pappas have continued to stand up for working families; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Hampshire Democratic Party thanks our Congressional Delegation for their leadership, support and determination in continuing to deliver for Granite Staters.

## **Resolution 47**

### **Topic: Supporting New Hampshire's First In The Nation Primary**

Primary Sponsor: Chairman Raymond Buckley

Co-Sponsors: NHDP Officers

Date Submitted: May 6th, 2022

### **Supporting New Hampshire's First In The Nation Primary, for Consideration by the New Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, June 18, 2022.**

WHEREAS, New Hampshire has held the first-in-the-nation presidential primary since 1920, when a Democrat in the State House sponsored legislation to enshrine our primary in state law, and

WHEREAS, Retail politics reigns supreme in the Granite State. New Hampshire is a primary that can only be won with grassroots mobilization and support. To win the FITN primary, candidates need to talk directly with and answer tough questions from voters in our biggest cities to our smallest towns. The candidates who do well in New Hampshire are the ones who spend time here, on the ground, connecting directly with a wide range of voters from the North Country to the Seacoast, and

WHEREAS, Regardless of who they are, where they come from, or how much money they have, every candidate has a level playing field in the Granite State. The size of New Hampshire means campaigns can build robust organizing programs for less money than in larger states, while allowing candidates to travel the entire state easily within a day. Our media markets are relatively inexpensive and don't require millions upon millions of dollars to fund paid advertisements. Candidates get a fair shot in the Granite State, and it has helped unknown Democratic candidates from Carter to Obama hone their campaigns and propel themselves towards winning the nomination and, eventually, the White House, and

WHEREAS, New Hampshire provides a diverse population that candidates must speak to in order to be successful, including culturally and racially diverse urban centers, rural agricultural communities, towns and cities successfully rebuilding after factories closed, and suburban communities, just to name a few, and

WHEREAS, New Hampshire is one of the most purple states in the country with elections often decided by slim margins, meaning that candidates who do well here will be able to speak to those voters in the middle who are critical to securing the White House, and

WHEREAS, New Hampshire Welcomes makes it easy for Granite States to participate in our primary. With same-day party registration, a focus on making events accessible to all including those with disabilities, and dozens of party-sponsored events, voters in New Hampshire are able to interact one-on-one with the candidates, and it is why in 2020, we saw nearly 41,000 Granite Staters switch their voter registration to participate in our primary, and

WHEREAS, political discourse is ingrained in who we are in New Hampshire, with 400 members in the New Hampshire House of Representatives, statewide elections every two years, and over 4,000 local elected officials statewide, our high-information electorate consistently ranks in the top-five in voter turnout and is why Presidential candidates from both parties have found themselves to be stronger for having participated in the primary, and

WHEREAS, New Hampshire state law says that the presidential primary shall be on the second Tuesday in March, but that the Secretary of State must, if necessary, change the date to ensure that the New Hampshire primary will take place at least seven days before any "similar election" in any other state.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the New Hampshire Democratic Party supports protecting New Hampshire's First-In-The-Nation Primary, and call on the Democratic National Committee to ensure the Granite State continues to do what it has done so well - prepare candidates to run through the primaries and for the Democratic Nomination before being elected to the White House.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, We are confident that New Hampshire will retain our status as first in the nation, just as we have for the last century.

## **Resolution 48**

### **Topic: A Resolution in Support of New Hampshire Workers and the Growth of Organized Labor in New Hampshire**

Primary Sponsor: Alan Raff

Date Submitted: May 9, 2022

### **A Resolution in Support of New Hampshire Workers and the Growth of Organized Labor in New Hampshire, for Consideration by the New Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, June 18, 2022.**

WHEREAS, the gap between the rich and poor has reached levels not experienced since the Great Depression; and

WHEREAS, we believe, as New Hampshire Democrats, we should promote business development statewide by ensuring the availability of a well-educated, well-trained, and well-compensated workforce with competitive wages and benefits and the skills needed to compete in a globalized economy; and

WHEREAS, we believe in the advocacy of policies that promote a full-employment economy at wages high enough to allow working people to support their families, and help workers keep and improve their legal rights to safe, healthy, and fair working conditions; and

WHEREAS, we believe that the growth and expansion of organized labor in New Hampshire is essential for ensuring the future of the New Hampshire worker; and

WHEREAS, we believe that every worker has the right to join a union; and

WHEREAS, we believe that when working people come together in a union, they can negotiate for higher wages, better benefits, and working conditions, which are often neglected by employers; and

WHEREAS, we believe that restoring a minimum wage, establishing pay equity for women and people of color, instituting prevailing wage standards, and eliminating the misclassification of employees are critical to ensuring fairness and prosperity for New Hampshire workers; and

WHEREAS, we must support the passage of legislation, such as the Protecting the Right to Organize Act of 2021, in order to update our outdated and ineffective labor laws, empower workers, and build back better; and

WHEREAS, it will require the New Hampshire Democratic Party's dedication to the above principles to effectuate the growth of the middle class and to create opportunities for New Hampshire workers; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2022 New Hampshire Democratic State Convention supports the empowerment of workers, the growth and expansion of organized labor, and investing in New Hampshire's future, by supporting the New Hampshire working family.

## Resolution 49

### **Topic: A Resolution New Hampshire Rejects “Trump’s Big Lie”**

Primary Sponsor: Hon. Kathy Sullivan

Co-Sponsors: Rep. Patty Cornell, Hon. Judy Reardon, Alan Raff, and Sean Doyle

Date Submitted: May 6th, 2022

### **A Resolution on New Hampshire Rejects “Trump’s Big Lie”, for Consideration by the New Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, June 18, 2022.**

WHEREAS, In all 15 towns with warrant articles that would have eliminated voting machines — Alton, Campton, Fremont, Goffstown, Greenland, Hampton, Hopkinton, Hudson, Kensington, Loudon, Milton, Raymond, Rye, Salem, and Windham — voters uniformly rejected the Big Lie, the notion that New Hampshire’s elections are not secure, and extremist Republican attempts to undermine our democracy and

WHEREAS, The New Hampshire Democratic Party Voter Protection team deployed over 50 poll observers over the past year to observe our local elections and;

WHEREAS, The Secretary of State has declared on numerous occasions that elections in NH are free and fair and;

WHEREAS, Republicans in the legislature have questioned the security of our elections by proposing legislation that would endanger the secret ballot, violate voters’ privacy rights, and overturn how New Hampshire has conducted elections for decades by making same day registration more complicated and difficult and;

WHEREAS, Democrats strongly believe that everyone who lives in New Hampshire should be able to vote freely and fairly and;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That New Hampshire Voters are rejecting Trump’s Big Lie, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT New Hampshire Voters are against the anti-military, anti-student, and anti-immigrant agenda the GOP is trying to force on the Granite State.

## Resolution 50

### **Topic: Supporting President Biden and Calling for the End of Title 42**

Primary Sponsor: Sebastian Fuentes - NH State Delegate

Co-Sponsors: Alejandro Urrutia - Hudson Democrats, Clifton West - NH State Delegate, Carlos Cardona - Belknap County Delegate at Large State, Representative Maria Perez

Date Submitted: April 17th, 2022

### **A Resolution Calling For The Support Of Humane Immigration Police And The Support Of The Removal Of Title 42 By President Joe Biden, for Consideration by the New Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, June 18, 2022.**

WHEREAS, the Democrats of New Hampshire understand that every human being has the right to seek asylum in a foreign nation,

WHEREAS, The Universal Declaration of Human Rights (Article 14), which states that everyone has the right to seek and enjoy asylum from persecution in other countries,

WHEREAS, The 1951 UN Refugee Convention and its 1967 Protocol, which protects refugees from being returned to countries where they risk being persecuted,

WHEREAS, Asylum seekers and refugees are entitled to all the rights and basic freedoms provided by the International Rule of Law,

WHEREAS, President Joseph Biden's plan to remove the use of Title 42 is widely supported by Democrats in New Hampshire, its continuation means family separations, trauma and violence against black, brown and immigrant communities.

WHEREAS, The Lankford-Sinema Immigration and Gonzalez- Golden seem to continue Trump Era immigration policies, preventing President Biden to end Title 42, causing detrimental effects on our asylum system, and putting at-risk individuals seeking violence and oppression from South and Central America, the Middle East and Eastern Europe immigrants will be affected,

WHEREAS, New Hampshire was, is and will be a State made from immigrants.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That upon passage of this resolution, the New Hampshire Democratic Convention supports the arrival of migrants seeking asylum in the United States and they should be treated as human beings regardless of race, ethnicity, religion or gender. We support humane immigration reform and we condemn all legislation directed at stopping migrants to seek asylum the legal way.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, we urge the entire New Hampshire Congressional Delegation to support President Biden in his plan to end the Trump era policy of Title 42. The United States needs a real plan to increase capacity and resources to manage the needs of migrants seeking entry at the border, not a continuation of racist, misguided and inhumane policies.

## **Resolution 51**

### **Topic: New Hampshire Supports Roe V. Wade**

Primary Sponsor: Sen. Donna Soucy

Co-Sponsors: Sen. Rosenwald, Sen. Perkins-Kwoka, Sen. Whitley, Sen. Prentis, Rep. Walner, Rep. Webber, Rep. Simpson, Rep. Altschiller, Rep. Elizabeth-Toll, and Rep. Marjorie Smith

Date Submitted: May 6th, 2022

### **A Resolution on Fighting for Roe, for Consideration by the New Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, June 18, 2022.**

WHEREAS, For years, there has been a bipartisan consensus in New Hampshire that we must protect reproductive rights. and

WHEREAS, For weeks, mothers and doctors delivered testimonies to the New Hampshire legislature about the devastating experience of discovering a fatal fetal anomaly late in pregnancy. After hearing their powerful stories, a bipartisan majority in the New Hampshire House and Senate voted for HB 1609 — adding an exception for a fatal fetal anomaly to the Republican abortion ban. and

WHEREAS, The NH GOP ensured the ban had no exceptions for rape, incest, or fatal fetal anomaly. They also included mandatory ultrasounds for women seeking an abortion at any stage of pregnancy and felony penalties for doctors of up to seven years in prison for performing medically safe abortions and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Justice Alito's draft decision to overturn Roe v. Wade reinforces, now more than ever, how crucial it is that we elect Democrats up and down the ballot in November who will always fight to protect Granite Stater's reproductive rights. And

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, When pro-choice majorities are elected in the State Senate and State House, New Hampshire must pass legislation codifying Roe v. Wade into state law so reproductive rights are always protected in the Granite State, no matter what happens in Washington. And

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Governor Sununu signed the most extreme abortion ban in modern New Hampshire history and cannot be trusted to ensure that people in New Hampshire have access to reproductive health care. Pro-choice governors don't sign abortion bans into law.

## **Resolution 52**

### **Topic: Honoring Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson**

Primary Sponsor: Hon. Jackie Weatherspoon

Co-Sponsors: Sen. Melanie Levesque

Date Submitted: May 6th

### **A Resolution on Honoring Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson, for Consideration by the New Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, June 18, 2022.**

WHEREAS, As the newest member of the highest court in the land, Justice Jackson will continue to defend the Constitution and the rule of law, and

WHEREAS, Her perspective is a welcome addition to the court, and her groundbreaking path serves as a symbol for young women and people of color across the nation, and

WHEREAS, While we celebrate this momentous occasion, Republicans are melting down seeing Justice Jackson confirmed. Senate Democrats ensured Justice Jackson was given the consideration she deserved, and her qualifications proved irrefutable, and

WHEREAS, Without Democrats like Senator Shaheen and Senator Hassan in the Senate majority, and President Biden in the White House, none of this would have been possible.

WHEREAS, this victory would not have been possible without the thousands of knocked doors, registered voters, and donations made in 2020, we were able to reach this milestone, and;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That we celebrate the momentous achievement of Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson as she made history on April 7th, 2022 as the first Black woman & the first public defender to be confirmed to the U.S. Supreme Court,

## **Resolution 53**

### **Topic: Protecting the Rights of LGBTQ+ People**

Primary Sponsor: Officers of the Stonewall Democrats

Co-Sponsors: Ryan Richman, Chair; Representative Joshua Query, Vice-Chair; Selectwoman Molly Cowan, Treasurer; Crystal Paradis, Secretary; Jordan Applewhite, Member-at-Large; City Councilor Robbie Hinkle, Member-at-Large; and City Councilor Matt Gerding, Member-at-Large

Date Submitted: May 6th, 2022

### **A Resolution Committing The New Hampshire Democratic Party to Protecting the Rights of LGBTQ+ People, for Consideration by the New Hampshire Democratic Party Convention on Saturday, June 18, 2022.**

WHEREAS, there is an ongoing and pernicious effort by members of the Republican Party to erode and ultimately eliminate the civil rights of LGBTQ+ people in the state of New Hampshire; and

WHEREAS, members of the Republican Party have three times attempted to pass a ban on transgender athletes playing on teams that align with their gender, and three times have been defeated by a bipartisan majority; and

WHEREAS, an attempt was made to repeal New Hampshire's ban on conversion therapy and was defeated by a bipartisan majority; and

WHEREAS, a bipartisan majority of the legislature is in favor of preserving existing protections for the civil rights of LGBTQ+ residents of New Hampshire and expanding those rights until they achieve parity with the rights of all other New Hampshire citizens; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 New Hampshire has nearly 60,000 LGBTQ+ residents over the age of 18, and

WHEREAS, in 2020 New Hampshire has nearly 8,000 youth who are LGBTQ+, with even more identifying as something other than cis/straight, and

WHEREAS, every resident of New Hampshire is afforded certain natural rights pursuant to Article 2 of the State Constitution.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Hampshire Democratic Party hereby:  
Assures LGBTQ+ residents of New Hampshire that it will defend their rights to full social, economic and political equality, and their efforts to seeking and obtaining happiness, free from harassment, discrimination, and violence; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the New Hampshire Democratic Party commits to supporting candidates that will pass legislation that will ensure and expand the rights of all LGBTQ+ Granite Staters.