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RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF OUR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS DURING A PANDEMIC

WHEREAS, the government has a responsibility to inform its citizens of any and every instance when there is a medical situation that could result in the serious illness and loss of life of many members of our nation and other countries; and

WHEREAS, the government should recommend medical precautions to overcome the spread of disease; and

WHEREAS, individuals diagnosed with a contagious infectious disease should be take precautions so that they do not infect others; and

WHEREAS, only in the case of highly contagious diseases such as tuberculosis, should infected individuals be quarantined however, no business or other institutions where people assemble especially churches, can be mandated to close; and

WHEREAS, note that there are national health authorities that study infectious diseases and search for cures including but not limited to the National Institute of Health; and

WHEREAS, global organizations such as the World Health Organization may assist in epidemic tracking of a widespread nature, caution should be taken when reviewing those results and note that those global organizations have no authority within our national boundaries; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hawai'i Republican Party in virtual convention, on 25 July, 2020 state that the Constitutional rights to assemble, participate in religious services, and conduct business may not be impeded upon; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that business and other organizations that choose to remain open for business and other activities are within their full constitutional right to do so; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that government may only suggest restrictions and/or encourage such on travel and other gathering activities but may not mandate those restrictions nor penalize individuals who do not choose to adhere to those recommendations; and

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be posted on the Hawai'i Republican Party website, transmitted to the Governor of the State of Hawai'i; members of the Hawai'i State Legislature and the Mayors of all Hawai'i Counties.