



Resolution Declaring Pornography a Public Health Crisis

Whereas pornography has become a prevalent factor in society, is widely available in various forms of media, including the internet, and can easily be found on high tech devices such as our PCs, laptops, and smartphones;

Whereas research shows that of all of the forms of online entertainment (gambling, gaming, surfing, and social networking) the most addictive is pornography;

Whereas pornography is basically sexual junk food and is more dangerous because as a person becomes more addicted to pornography, they will find themes of aggression, violence, and increasingly “edgy” acts creeping into their porn habits and fantasies;

Whereas research has shown children as young as 6 years-old are being addicted to pornography with an alarming number of children being exposed to pornography by the time they reach 11 years-old;

Whereas addiction to pornography is associated with isolation, anxiety, depression, compulsive sexual behavior, and erectile dysfunction;

Whereas today’s mainstream pornography is no longer the softcore centerfold of past decades but is child-, incest-, and rape-themed, hardcore, violent, and highly degrading material;

Whereas the organization, Fight the New Drug, on its website states “... many don’t know is that the demand for human sex trafficking is fueled by pornography and the porn industry”;

Whereas since 2016, [16 states have declared pornography as a public health issue](#) to include: Alabama, Arkansas, Arizona, Florida, Idaho, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, Montana, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah and Virginia;

Whereas children are the most cherished and valuable gifts given to us, and we must protect them from any form of exploitation, including pornography, and it is estimated that 27% of older millennials reported they first viewed pornography before puberty; and

Whereas pornography, as shown in this resolution, is a health problem with grievous societal consequences; now, therefore, be it



Resolved, that the Hawai'i Republican Party, in virtual convention on May 15, 2021:

1. calls on the legislators of the State of Hawai'i to declare that pornography is a public health crisis; and
2. will post copies of this resolution on the Hawai'i Republican Party website and transmit copies to the Governor of the State of Hawai'i; the Lieutenant Governor, members of the Hawai'i State Legislature, and the Mayors of each County.

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