

A Resolution Requesting a Louisiana Legislature Review of Malicious Complaints to the Louisiana Board of Ethics Against Republican Parish Executive Committees and Federated Republican Women's Groups

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WHEREAS, the Louisiana Board of Ethics was established by the Louisiana Legislature in 1996 to enforce compliance with Louisiana's Code of Governmental Ethics, the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act, and the Lobbyist Disclosure Act, and;

WHEREAS, the compliance with these Acts is intended to provide clarification, transparency, and accountability of conduct and financial disclosures of public employees, elected officials, and public servants, and;

WHEREAS, in Docket No. 2025-629 Advisory Opinion the Board concluded that "members of parish executive committees are not considered public employees, elected officials, or public servants under the code," and;

WHEREAS the Federated Republican Women's clubs are prohibited by their national, state and club bylaws from making candidate specific political endorsements in the name of the local, state, or national clubs, and;

WHEREAS the Federated Republican Women's club members in their role as members of these clubs are not elected officials, and;

WHEREAS the Federated Republican Women's clubs are private, non-profit organizations, and;

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Ethics Administration should not be used as a political weapon to create a false accusation against political adversaries or special interests in order to create a negative impression in the public of an opponent or organization, and;

WHEREAS, The Louisiana Ethics Administration has, in fact, have been used vindictively to falsely attack the Lafayette Parish Republican Executive Committee, the Acadiana Republican Women's Club, and the Fleur De Lis Republican Woman's Club by a disgruntled political operative, and;

WHEREAS these charges have resulted in thousands of dollars being spent by these individuals to answer these superfluous and vindictive charges, and;

WHEREAS the recent action by the Louisiana Board of Ethics charging Federated Republican Women's Clubs with violations of Ethics Codes despite the clubs being private organizations

who are not public employees, elected officials or public servants under the code is a blatant mischaracterization of the groups, and;

WHEREAS the argument that because the clubs host political candidates they are therefore subject to the Ethics Code is a slippery slope that may unfairly encompass and ensnare other organizations or individuals that present candidate forums or speakers, such as Chambers of Commerce, the Louisiana Republican Assembly, Democrat Parish Executive Committees, etc., and;

WHEREAS, these “anonymous,” false, and often used tactics of untrustworthy persons or organizations have a chilling effect on the ability of those organizations to enjoy their 1st Amendment rights under the Constitution.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the LAGOP State Central Committee at its January 18, 2026 meeting does hereby notify and request that the Louisiana Legislature at its next session beginning March 9, 2026 undertake a review of the malicious, false charges against the Republican Parish Executive Committees, their members and the Federated Republican Women’s groups.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the LAGOP move to ensure that the Parish Executive Committees and private groups remain classified as private entities and not subject to Campaign Finance Disclosures.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the LAGOP State Central Committee urges the Louisiana Republican Legislative Delegation to remove the anonymity provision for non-sworn ethics complaints and pass HB160 by Representative Kellee Hennessey Dickerson from the 2025 Regular Session that received overwhelming bipartisan support in the House only to not be heard on the Senate floor.

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Resolution Affirming the Louisiana Republican Party's Support for President Trump's Immigration Policies and Federal Immigration Enforcement

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WHEREAS, the Louisiana Republican Party strongly supports the enforcement of federal immigration laws and affirms the importance of secure borders and the rule of law; and

WHEREAS, President Donald J. Trump's immigration policies, supported by the Louisiana Republican Party, are designed to protect American citizens, uphold national sovereignty, and ensure public safety; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Republican Party hereby reaffirms its full support for President Donald J. Trump's immigration policies and the vital work of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) in enforcing federal immigration laws and upholding the rule of law.

STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY OF LOUISIANA

A RESOLUTION OF THE STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY OF LOUISIANA SUPPORTING UNITED STATES SENATOR JOHN KENNEDY'S EFFORTS TO REFORM THE MIGRATORY BIRD TREATY ACT TO PROTECT CONSERVATION INTEGRITY, FAIR CHASE PRINCIPLES, AND THE NATURAL MIGRATION OF WATERFOWL

WHEREAS, Louisiana's outdoor heritage, sporting traditions, and rural economies are deeply rooted in responsible wildlife management, ethical hunting practices, and the conservation of migratory birds; and

WHEREAS, the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) was enacted to protect migratory bird populations and ensure their sustainable, ethical harvest; and

WHEREAS, amendments adopted in 1998 altered long-standing enforcement standards and have contributed to practices that artificially concentrate waterfowl, manipulate migration behavior, and undermine fair-chase hunting principles; and

WHEREAS, these practices raise serious biological, ethical, and economic concerns for Louisiana and its sporting communities; and

WHEREAS, United States Senator John Kennedy has undertaken efforts to examine and reform aspects of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to address unintended consequences and conservation failures that have emerged since those amendments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Central Committee of the Republican Party of Louisiana formally expresses its support for United States Senator John Kennedy's efforts to reform the Migratory Bird Treaty Act; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Republican Party of Louisiana urges Congress and federal wildlife authorities to pursue reforms that restore conservation integrity, reinforce fair-chase principles, and protect natural migration systems; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Republican Party of Louisiana encourages Louisiana's congressional delegation to actively engage in legislative and oversight efforts to ensure the long-term protection of migratory birds and Louisiana's outdoor heritage.