

## **A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA REPUBLICAN PARTY OPPOSING FUSION CANDIDACY**

**WHEREAS** the South Carolina Republican Party opposes allowing candidates to run on more than one line on any ballot for any election;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the South Carolina Republican Party supports legislation which would limit candidates to represent only one political party on any general election ballot; and

**WHEREAS** the South Carolina Republican Party believes that all candidates should have to pay a filing fee in order to gain access to the ballot; and

**WHEREAS** third party candidates currently pay no filing fees; and

**WHEREAS** the South Carolina Republican Party believes that political parties should be able to keep candidates filing fees or add candidate's certification fees to help cover operating costs; and

**WHEREAS** the South Carolina Republican Party believes that political parties should have the ability to refuse certification for candidates that fail to meet a minimum objective standard as representatives of their party;

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the South Carolina Republican Party supports legislation which would require candidates of all political parties to pay filing fees, allow political parties to require ballot certification fees, and allow political parties to refuse certification to candidates who have not voted in at least three out of the last four state-wide primaries, or who can otherwise satisfy the respective State Party Chairman as to their bona-fides as a representative of that respective party.