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Title of Resolution:

Resolution to Unite the Arizona Democratic Party Around Shared Purpose and Coordinated Action

Short Description:

This resolution calls on Arizona Democratic Party State Committee Members and leaders at every level to move from primary competition into coordinated general-election action. It defines unity as shared action around Democratic nominees and the Arizona Democratic Party Platform. It establishes clear expectations for communication, coordination, accountability, and respectful disagreement.

Reason for Resolution:

The immediate concern is not ordinary post-primary tension. It is an escalating conflict marked by personal attacks on committee chairs and others perceived to hold influence, and by ideological litmus tests for deciding which Democrats belong in the Party or deserve to have a voice. These conflicts weaken the Party's structure, drive away volunteers and leaders, and divert attention from electing Democrats. This resolution requires policy and governance disputes to be addressed through the bylaws, transparent procedures, and respectful debate, and recommits every faction to electing Democratic nominees across the ideological spectrum. Part of Party Platform Resolution Relates to Collective Action; Responsibility; Diversity and Non-Discrimination; Representative Democracy; Civil and Voting Rights; Economic Security; Public Education; Health Care; Workers; and Stewardship.

Proposed Resolution:

Whereas, the Arizona Democratic Party Platform declares that we are "greater together," that our collective efforts can produce more than individual action, and that the Party's values should lead to purposeful action for every Arizonan;¹

Whereas, primary elections properly allow Democrats to offer competing candidates and visions, and unity after a primary neither erases principled differences nor requires silence, but does require respect for the voters' choices and good-faith cooperation toward shared goals;

Whereas, the 2026 general election requires immediate coordination among Arizona Democratic Party officers, the Executive Committee, county and legislative district committees, caucuses, councils, candidates, and State Committee Members to elect Democrats and advance the Party's platform;

Whereas, for purposes of this resolution, "unity" means coordinated action around shared electoral and platform goals while protecting honest debate; "cohesive leadership" means leaders acting from common priorities, within the roles and responsibilities established by the Arizona Democratic Party Bylaws, with clear communication and mutual accountability; and

"unified direction" means a written, time-bound set of general-election priorities and coordinated actions;

Whereas, trust and effective collective action require that policy disagreements - including disagreements concerning Israel and Palestine - not be used as ideological litmus tests to question another Democrat's legitimacy, and that members reject personal attacks against committee chairs, volunteers, leaders, candidates, or others perceived to hold influence;

Therefore, be it Resolved, that the Arizona Democratic Party State Committee commits to unity, cohesive leadership, and unified direction by supporting Democratic nominees and focusing our work on organizing, voter protection, turnout, fundraising, volunteer recruitment, and persuasive public communication consistent with the Party Platform;

Therefore, be it Further Resolved, that to further the goals of this resolution, the State Chair, in consultation with the Executive Committee and county, legislative district, caucus, and council leaders, may choose to distribute to all State Committee Members within fourteen days of adoption a written Unity and General Election Coordination Framework that states shared priorities, provides an accessible process for questions and disputes, follows the roles, responsibilities, and procedures established by the ADP Party Bylaws, and sets expectations for coordinated support of Democratic nominees;

Therefore, be it Finally Resolved, that unity does not require uniformity or silence. Members and leaders retain the right and responsibility to raise concerns and debate policy in good faith, while committing to do so truthfully, respectfully, and through fair, transparent processes consistent with the Party Bylaws; to reject personal attacks, retaliation, ideological litmus tests, and efforts to exclude Democrats because of policy differences; and, following good-faith debate, to return our collective focus to electing Democratic nominees and advancing our shared platform.

Resolution Submitted by:

Submitting State Committee Member:

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Caucus/Council:

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