

Resolution to Advance Racial Equity Through Community-Based Solutions

Whereas the Nebraska Democratic Party recognizes the importance of involving grassroots activists in the development of party platforms,

Whereas the Nebraska Democratic Party acknowledges that party platforms must include the impacted populations said platforms are meant to empower,

Whereas the Nebraska Democratic Party recognizes its responsibility to hold candidates and elected officials to a high standard of racial equity and anti-racist practices,

Whereas the Nebraska Democratic Party acknowledges its responsibility to speak out on elected officials who abuse the power of their offices in a way that perpetuates white supremacy, racism, and inequity,

Whereas the Nebraska Democratic Party understands the essential nature of educating candidates for elected office, as well as party leadership, on racial equity, anti-racism, and cultural competence in the effort to create a more equitable and inclusive party.

Therefore, Be It Resolved: The Nebraska Democratic Party will support activist reformation efforts by; denouncing the actions of elected democrat Don Kleine in his handling of the James Scurlock case in a way that perpetuated white supremacy and sparked deep division in Omaha, partnering with community activists to create an activist issue platform, partnering with racial equity activists and advocates to create a curriculum for political candidates and elected officials on racial equity/anti-racism/cultural competency to be renewed each year, and a standing meeting with activists to talk about the conduct of the party and its candidates/elected officials.

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