Louisiana Republican State Central Committee (RSCC) Saturday January 11, 2025 State of Louisiana Resolution No. _____

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE CAPABILITY TO CONDUCT A COMPLETE RECOUNT, WHEN WARRANTED OR DESIRED, IN ALL LOUISIANA ELECTIONS.

We, the Louisiana Republican Party (RSCC), understand that only absentee/mail-in ballots, typically 10-15% of total voter turnout, are available to candidates, citizens, and auditors to conduct a recount, review, or audit of elections with the current computerized election system in Louisiana;

WHEREAS, fair, transparent, and accurate elections are essential to the continuation of a free republic;

WHEREAS, the November 2024 race for Parish Council in West Baton Rouge Parish was within 10 votes, and the losing candidate paid for a recount but was only able to recount less than 7% of the 2388 votes;

WHEREAS, the November 2024 race for US House, District 6, was within 2310 votes of requiring a runoff, and with 296,033 total votes cast, it is likely that over 250,000 of those votes were unavailable for a recount;

WHEREAS, there are potential risks associated with any computerized system, including computerized voting machine systems, whether inadvertent because of bugs," "glitches," or power outages, or intentional sabotage that exploits software, hardware, or system vulnerabilities;

WHEREAS, with the current electronic voting system used in Louisiana, we are the **only** complete state where there is no mechanism to audit if these potential risks affected the outcome of an election;

WHEREAS, Act 480 was passed by the Louisiana Legislature in 2021 creating the Voting System Commission that "shall consider only a voting system that utilizes a voter verified paper record to replace the state's inventory of direct recording equipment;"

WHEREAS, the Voting System Commission, in 2022 recommended that Louisiana s next voting system should include either hand-marked paper ballots, a ballot marking device or a combination of the two;

WHEREAS, two years later, the Office of Secretary of State, has not implemented a voter verified paper record voting system as recommended by the Voting System Commission;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the RSCC that we will continue our efforts to implement an election system, in Louisiana, that utilizes a paper ballot for all voters, allowing for a complete recount of all votes cast;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Louisiana will continue to strongly urge the implementation of an election system in Louisiana, that utilizes a paper ballot, and or an auto payroll paperwork component that allows for a complete recount of all those and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Louisiana also strongly urges is that all elections be conducted in a manner that allows for a complete recount of all votes cast no later than the October 11, 2025 election.

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