

# **EXHIBIT A**



# Washington State Republican Party

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## 2004 WASHINGTON STATE REPUBLICAN PARTY PLATFORM

### Adopted by the delegates to the 2004 Washington State Republican Convention

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**Platform Committee Chair: Olga Miller**  
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- Economic Opportunity
- National Defense/Winning the War on Terror
- Transportation
- Energy
- Responsible Stewardship
- Hope for Rural and Agricultural Communities
- Family
- Education
- Crime and Justice
- Health Care
- Personal Liberty
- The Pledge of Allegiance

The WSRP Contract with Rural Washington - referenced under Responsible Stewardship

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*"In all that the people can individually do as well  
for themselves, government ought not to interfere."*

**Abraham Lincoln**  
**PREAMBLE**

Republicans believe that good government is based on the individual and family, that each person's ability, dignity, freedom and responsibility must be honored and recognized. Our basic freedom, the value that makes our country unique in the world is rooted in Free Enterprise and the basic right to Private Property. The role of Government is to preserve and defend our ability to live in a free and peaceful society.

We reaffirm the words of our founding fathers as written in the Declaration of

Independence: "WE hold these Truths to be self evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness -That to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just Powers from the Consent of the Governed."

Our Republic was founded as one nation under God on principles clearly set forth in the Declaration of Independence and codified in our Constitution.

## PLATFORM

Our Republican Vision for Washington State is as follows:

### **ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY – Jobs, Growth and Prosperity**

Government must practice fiscal responsibility, while individual citizens should enjoy an atmosphere of free enterprise, unfettered by burdensome government regulation. Excessive taxation is a loss of personal freedom. Allowing people to keep more of what they earn allows opportunity and wealth created in the private sector to give hope and relief to those ill-served by government, and gives families and communities the resources to confront wider social problems.

Economic opportunity should include:

- Reducing taxes and fees on businesses and individuals.
- Reducing excessive regulation on businesses in Washington State.
- Examining government regulations to ensure they reflect the intent of the law.
- Enhancing international trade.
- Establishing and maintaining secure, broad based, energy resources within our nation's borders.
- Making the Bush tax cuts permanent.

### **Labor Unions**

We recognize the historical importance of labor unions, and their protection of workers' health and general welfare. Union members should be given flexibility in regards to the political use of their Union dues and informed of their rights with respect to those dues.

### **NATIONAL DEFENSE/WINNING THE WAR ON TERROR - Superior military strength is vital to our national security**

*"We will rally the world to this cause by our efforts, by our courage. We will not tire, we will not falter, and we will not fail."*

**George W. Bush**

We believe in a strong and free America, a nation leading the world in the expansion of peace, freedom and human rights. We commend our courageous President, and our armed forces, for all they have done to make us safer since September 11, 2001.

National defense should include:

- Supporting President Bush's doctrine of pre-emptive self defense.
- Preventing the subjugation of the national sovereignty of the U.S. to any foreign or international body.
- Ensuring that US military personnel remain only under U.S. command.
- Continuing the development of the Strategic Defense Initiative.
- Continuing to honor all past and current obligations to our troops and veterans.
- Gaining control of our borders and adopting a firm immigration policy for homeland security.
- Supporting the historical doctrine of pre-emption in US conflicts.

#### **In Defense of Israel...**

Israel, as a sovereign state, has the right to self-defense against foreign enemies and state sponsored terrorism. The Bush Doctrine clearly includes supporting Israel, which is being targeted by terrorists. For a peaceful, democratic Palestinian state to exist, we must support Israel in winning their war against terror in their homeland.

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

Recognizing that resolving the highway congestion is a major economic issue in the State of Washington, we call upon the governor and legislators to solve this as a priority issue.

The Department of Transportation should focus on highways, ferries, county roads, and city streets and minimize need for further increases. This focus will concentrate the efforts of such a refocused "Highway Department" to such a degree as to minimize the need for further tax increases. Conducting a thorough review of how we administer our transportation system will provide greater economic opportunities for business and value to consumers.

We support:

- Prioritizing highway projects and using public money efficiently to reduce congestion and maintain infrastructure.
- Placing the Department of Transportation in the Governor's Cabinet.
- Subjecting the Department of Transportation and Sound Transit to thorough and continuous independent financial and performance audits.
- No sales tax being levied on materials and labor used on publicly funded transportation projects.
- The gas tax being used only to expand and maintain the state highway system.
- The creation of regional transportation improvement districts for each region's voter approved projects.
- Funding for Sound Transit only by those who live in the Sound Transit district.

#### **ENERGY - Republicans believe in the reduction of our dependence on foreign energy and:**

- Support President Bush's Energy Bill to reduce the nation's dependence on foreign crude oil.
- Support drilling for oil on the ANWR reserve.

- Support incentives for the use of renewable fuels.
- Support the development of alternative energy sources.
- Support reducing regulations and costs that may hinder re-licensing of many of our State's dams.
- Support resumption of safe nuclear power plant construction.
- Oppose removal of dams used for hydroelectric, irrigation, and transportation.

### **RESPONSIBLE STEWARDSHIP - Recognizing the primacy of people and the importance of our Northwest way of life**

*"We share this common goal: we must foster economic growth in ways that protect our environment. We must encourage growth that will provide a better life for citizens, while protecting the land, the water, and the air that sustains life."*

**George W. Bush**

We can achieve a healthful environment and continued economic growth and prosperity when government works with property owners in a positive cooperative fashion. Property owners implementing environmental practices that are supported by sound, peer-reviewed scientific method are a model of responsible natural resource stewardship:

- Reasonably limit environmental regulations to insure that legislative intent is followed.
- Private timber owners deserve a set of responsible, reliable, and consistent government rules under which to operate.
- Growth management and shoreline rules are best determined at the local level.
- Save our dams by funding improvements in fish passage, improvements in spawning habitat, and ocean survival.
- Support the Washington State Republican Party Contract with Rural Washington [October 2003].

### **HOPE FOR RURAL AND AGRICULTURAL COMMUNITIES – Regulatory and Tax Relief - Living the American Dream**

Washington's economy and the health of many of our rural communities is based on farming, fishing, mining, and the timber industry. Natural resource industries are the economic foundation of our economy. By ensuring economic opportunity for America's farmers and family farms of all sizes we will secure our domestic food supply and strengthen the rural economy.

To make our products competitive in the free market and make our farms viable and sustainable, we must:

- Establish a strong and secure domestic food supply that is not dependant on foreign products.
- Competitively price our agricultural products.
- Improve efficiencies in our ports and on our transportation routes.
- Create tax policies that recognize fluctuations in farm income and assist farmers in surviving low-income years.

- Require imported food to meet all U.S. standards.
- Require country of origin labeling for the benefit of American consumers.
- Protect individual (including corporate) water rights and value using water resources in food production.
- Support completion of the Columbia Basin Project.

### **FAMILY – Families, the cornerstone of free society**

The traditional family unit is the cornerstone of our society and it is the primary responsibility of parents to guide and discipline their children. We understand that a primary responsibility of government is to uphold and respect traditional institutions, such as marriage between a man and a woman and family, which are its foundation. Our commitment to protecting the life of innocents from conception through the infirmities of age must be nurtured in both our culture and our laws.

We support:

- The parental right and responsibility to direct the upbringing of their children, and to provide care, discipline and moral training.
- The protection of innocent human life born or pre-born through natural death.
- Existing Washington State Law that defines marriage as a legal union between one man and one woman.
- An amendment to the United States Constitution defining marriage as the union between a man and a woman.

### **EDUCATION - The key to equal opportunity begins in the classroom**

The primary authority and responsibility for educating children resides with parents.

The Federal Government, based on the 10th Amendment of the U. S. Constitution, may not determine expenditures and curriculum. School boards should be free to determine priorities, focusing on basic academics, teaching of the constitution and civics, history, opportunities for vocational and technical training, and the promotion of traditional American values.

We support:

- Providing the highest quality education through offering a broad selection of choices, whether public, private, charter or home school.
- Appropriate funding of public schools, and tax credits and vouchers for other choices.
- The right of parents to direct the education of their children.
- Education reform through full implementation of No Child Left Behind, giving parents more choices, stronger accountability of schools, proven teaching methods and more local freedom.
- Teaching English as our official and primary language, concentrated English instruction for non-English speaking students and regular instruction in English for all other subjects which will ensure successful job skills in a diverse, but overwhelmingly English speaking population.

- Sex education programs that promote abstinence before marriage.
- A policy that public schools not promote or identify homosexuality as a healthy, morally acceptable, or alternative lifestyle.
- Teaching the Declaration of Independence and the Constitutions of the United States and the State of Washington in our schools.
- Graduation requirements with an emphasis on rigorous academic skills in English, literacy, mathematics and sciences.

#### **CRIME AND JUSTICE - Swift punishment for criminals**

The primary role of government is to protect its citizens' freedoms and their property from both foreign and domestic crime. Crime threatens our ability as individuals to exercise our right of self-government, but we accept the risks inherent in a free society. The rule of law is protected by policies that punish, reduce and deter crime.

We support:

- Constitutional protections, which safeguard our individual liberty, due process, and equal protection under the law.
- The efforts of law enforcement officers and firefighters who serve and protect our communities.
- Zero tolerance for sexual exploitation of minors.
- The role of the judiciary is to uphold the law in a manner faithful to the Constitution and the Bill of Rights, in accordance with legislative intent and established domestic legal precedent as the only legitimate standard.
- The right of individuals to provide for the defense of themselves, their families, and their communities within the bounds of Common Law and the U.S. Constitution.
- The death penalty where appropriate and oppose early release of convicted felons for budgetary reasons.
- Legislation requiring limitation on the number of appeals and period of time with bonds posted by the appealing party.

#### **HEALTH CARE - Access and affordability for all**

Health care is a personal issue, and individuals can make better decisions about their own care than government. Republicans believe in free market solutions that reduce health care costs by offering more and better choices for consumers.

We support:

- Personal/private tax-exempt medical savings accounts.
- Increasing competition among health care providers to promote accountability to patients.
- The reduction of regulation in order to reduce the cost of health care and prescription drugs.
- All prescription drugs purchases and health insurance premiums being fully tax-deductible.

- Research of adult and placenta stem cells and oppose human cloning.
- Making malpractice liability reform an urgent priority, which will lower the cost of healthcare for all of us.
- Requiring parental consent for minors who seek medical procedures, treatments, or pharmaceuticals.
- Calling upon the Federal and State Legislators and the Governor to immediately work toward national parity in the way that Medicare reimbursements are made to healthcare providers.
- The belief that government regulations and funding will not improve the quality or affordability of health care; therefore, oppose a universal government-run health care system.

### **PERSONAL LIBERTY - A Bill of Rights for All Washingtonians**

We have a moral obligation, a minimum debt owed, as free Americans, to defend and preserve our freedoms: Free Speech, Freedom of Assembly, Defense of Life, the Right to Vote, Private Property Rights, Parental Rights, the Right to Keep and Bear Arms, and protect competitive free enterprise. Government exists by the consent of the governed. Smaller and more effective government will restore civic responsibility and individual freedom.

Ours is a nation created not by force, but by unifying ideals. People came here to be free to worship God as they choose without State restriction. For ours to remain one nation, where the source of our rights derive from God, not the state, we have the duty and obligation to teach our children the profound meaning behind the simple statement of allegiance to our flag and the ideals our nation was founded upon and to which so many have sacrificed their lives.

We re-affirm the Proper Role of Government is to protect our inalienable rights, including:

- Proof of United States citizenship for voting eligibility protects our right to vote.
- Protecting the integrity of the vote of our overseas military personnel.
- Campaign finance law that in no way prohibits free expression.
- The initiative process provided for by the Washington State Constitution.
- Compensating property owners when government actions reduce the value of their land secures our right to own property.
- Parents' right to choose their children's schools, be it public, charter, private, or home, with tax credits or vouchers protects our right to equal opportunity.
- Protecting individuals' first amendment right of religious expression in our public schools does not conflict with the Establishment Clause.
- All people are entitled to be treated equally by government. The use of quotas or preferences to favor one person or group over another violates that principle, as well as the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the laws of the State of Washington.

We believe the right to keep and bear arms as stated in the 2nd Amendment of the U.S. Constitution and Article I, Section 24 of the Washington State Constitution guarantees an individual right, and as such, we support Right to Carry laws. We support protection of the American firearms industry against frivolous and harassing lawsuits that blame them for the actions of criminals, and we call for increased enforcement of existing laws against criminals, not more laws aimed at law-abiding citizens.

We encourage personal responsibility in exercising these rights.

### THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

We strongly support and wish to promote and protect the continued use of the phrase "one nation under God" in our Pledge of Allegiance.

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# **EXHIBIT B**

# Where do Libertarians fit in Left vs. Right politics?

*Positions most often held by the Left*

- Government Regulated Economy
- Military Intervention (Somalia, Haiti, Balkans)
- Using Eminent Domain for Private Gain
- Ban Guns
- Tax Funding of Government Charities
- Special Rights for Minorities

*Positions most often held by Libertarians:*

- Personal Freedom
- Non-Interventionist Foreign Policy
- Tolerance of Others' Peaceful Choices
- Civil Liberties and Privacy
- Separation of Church and State
- Equal Opportunity

*Positions most often held by the Right:*

- Economic Freedom
- Robust National Defense
- Respect for Others' Property Rights
- Individual Right to Keep and Bear Arms
- Giving Generously to Help Those in Need
- Advancement Based on Individual Abilities
- Government Regulated Morality
- Military Adventurism ("Regime Change")
- War on Drugs
- USA Patriot Act
- Tax Funding of Faith-Based Charities
- Corporate Welfare



Politicians on the left and right believe government should control large parts of your life. Libertarians are building a party in the sensible center to put freedom of choice and responsibility back into your hands. On every issue, we ask: *In a free country, who decides?* Should you be free to make important choices about your life, your family, your money and your business, or should politicians decide for you? In a free society, government's role is to protect us from the threat of assault, theft, civil injustice and foreign attack. And so, as long as your actions are peaceful, you should have the freedom to decide for yourself without government interference. Please, help us move public policy in the direction of *liberty*.

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# **EXHIBIT C**

**Washington State Democratic Party  
2004 Platform**

As passed by the Washington State Democratic Convention  
Tacoma, Washington, June 5, 2004

**PREAMBLE**

We hold that democratic principles are the foundation of a safe, stable, and prosperous future and that these principles must be woven into the fabric of our social, cultural, and economic lives. We declare our commitment to human rights, justice, and opportunity for all.

Our platform rests on the principles that there should be:

- security for all citizens;
- education, jobs and economic opportunity for all;
- accessible and affordable health care for all Americans;
- a rebuilding of our reputation in the world as a cooperative and just country;
- a reversal of the erosion of civil liberties in our country;
- a recognition that diversity strengthens our nation;
- a recognition that we are responsible for our ethical, economic, environmental and educational legacy.

We adopt this platform to ensure that voters and candidates for public office understand and support our goals.

**AGRICULTURE**

Agriculture is the number one industry in Washington.

We believe:

- that any decisions about breaching, removing, compromising, or encroaching on waterways should be based on sound, credible economic and scientific information;
- U.S. dollars earmarked for agriculture subsidies should go to sustainable family farms and not to agribusiness;
- The Columbia and Snake Rivers, including the dams that were primarily constructed under Democratic leadership, support the economic health of the Pacific Northwest.

We support:

- programs that provide an economic stimulus for survival, protection, and improvement of rural communities, including development of affordable high-speed internet access and rural transportation services;
- governmental programs, particularly those of the U.S. Department of Agricultural, that assure the survival of family farms;
- funding for agricultural commodity programs to assure long-term, economic viability of agriculture, availability of high quality food, and economic security of the nation;
- conservation and environmental programs and economic incentives that help conserve agricultural land and natural resources such as soil, water, forests, and wildlife habitat;
- international programs that reduce global warming;

- development of domestic and international marketing opportunities for crop and animal products and international trade agreements that assure fair marketing and employment practices;
- antitrust laws should be enforced and applied to agribusiness;
- management of ocean fisheries to prevent dangerous depletion;
- substantial land grant college funding of research in sustainable, non-toxic farming techniques;
- strong organic farming standards;
- clear labeling of food including nation of origin, genetically modified organism status, irradiation, and organic status;
- requiring inspection of all animals AT RISK OF THIS DISEASE entering the food chain for processing for spongiform encephalopathy.

We recognize:

- the need for new and sustainable development in rural areas and encourage various approaches aimed at obtaining resources for such development.;
- the role of farmers as 'stewards of the land'.

We strongly advocate adequate governmental support for agricultural research and extension programs to develop, improve, and protect crops and livestock and research the requisite projects to improve quality, marketability, and safety of agricultural products.

## **CORPORATE POWER & MEDIA REFORM**

### Corporate Power

We believe:

- corporations are vital to our economy and standard of living;
- business friendly laws can be beneficial;
- corporations should not exert an undue influence on our body politic or use our Constitution in the courts to thwart our democratically enacted laws.

We support:

- revoking the charters of corporations that repeatedly violate our laws;
- a government created by, of, and for the people, not corporations.

We oppose:

- the Supreme Court precedent that corporations are people, and further oppose corporation rights as persons under our constitution and their associated constitutional rights, including the First Amendment right to make political contributions in the corporate capacity;
- tax breaks to corporations and other corporate welfare, unless a verifiable public interest is served.

### Media

We believe:

- the public owns the broadcast airwaves and the Internet, which should be managed to serve the public interest.

We support:

- using diversity of ownership as the centermost principle of broadcast licensing;
- strengthening media ownership regulations to avoid corporate domination of our airwaves;
- encouraging minority and community media ownership;
- ensuring that media license holders provide diverse programming;
- increased funding for public broadcasting including documentary films and non-commercial news programs;
- establishing a system for community-level, non-profit, and non-commercial radio and TV nationwide.

## EDUCATION

“It is the paramount duty of the state to make ample provisions for the education of all children.”  
The Washington State Constitution - 1889

We believe public schools bring together people of diverse experience, ability and background for the purpose of learning.

We support:

- a stable funding source for all basic, gifted, special education state and federal programs and mandates such as “No child left behind”;
- reinstatement of I-728 that calls for reduction of class sizes;
- reinstatement of I-732, which allows cost-of-living increases for all public school employees;
- schools that are safe from violence, bullying, harassment and retribution;
- full inclusion of all students into the school environment regardless of race, ethnic origin, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic status or disability;
- full-time counselors and school nurses in every school;
- state of the art school facilities that are adequately maintained and regularly certified as safe and healthy by public health authorities;
- fully funding Headstart and ECEAP (Early Childhood Education and Assisted Programs) and assuring that early childhood education is accessible to all;
- inclusion of Fine Arts education in the Basic Education Act of the State;
- providing facilities and programs that advance vocational and technology education;
- providing access to higher education, by all, through financial aid and work-study programs;
- using a simple majority to pass school levies and bonds;
- public education employees’ rights to organize, engage in collective bargaining, and strike without fear of reprisal or replacement;
- age-appropriate, research-based health and values education concerning issues of sexuality and alcohol/drug abuse for K-12;
- methods of funding educational capital projects other than logging public land;
- restraints on aggressive military recruiting in public high schools and equal opportunity for dissenting opinions.

We oppose:

- Charter Schools;
- voucher payments to private schools;
- the commercial exploitation of students in our schools (e.g. "junk food" and advertising).

## ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY

Every individual has a fundamental right to clean air, pure water, safe food and a healthy natural environment. No government should make any law, regulation, treaty or agreement infringing upon these rights.

We support:

- conservation and development of clean, efficient, renewable, and natural sources of power;
- elimination of tax breaks to nonrenewable-energy companies, except for pollution control equipment;
- strong measures that reduce greenhouse gases;
- federal government restoration and cleanup of all contaminated lands and water, public or private;
- long-term policies that give priority to the preservation of biodiversity, protection of ecosystems and watersheds, and restoration of wild salmon and other endangered species;
- efforts to reduce the use of pesticides, herbicides, and other persistent toxic chemicals;
- increasing governmental support for organic farming and preservation of agricultural land;
- programs to reduce polluted urban and agricultural run-off into waterways and aquifers;
- full disclosure by companies and by the government of the health and environmental effects of all potentially harmful chemicals and substances that they produce, store or release;
- higher Corporate Average Fuel Economy standards and extending their application to SUVs;
- current state law, which requires voter approval of large public energy projects before bonds are issued;
- strong public policy that restores full funding for the National Park Service and preserves wilderness, old-growth, road free areas, wildlife corridors, wetlands, and other environmentally sensitive areas;
- efforts to reduce waste and to promote the reuse and recycling of materials;
- making polluters pay for cleanup by reinstating the federal tax on toxic waste under the Superfund Program;
- strengthening the Growth Management Act, and supporting neighborhood and community planners in their efforts to protect our quality of life;
- upgrading our outdated electrical grids so that power can be distributed efficiently and reliably;
- revising the 1872 Mining Act to provide fair market compensation to the public and limiting exploration and extraction in environmentally sensitive public lands;
- utilizing biomass conversion to process American farm products and byproducts into renewable energy, including biodiesel and ethanol.

We oppose:

- trading of energy and pollution credits;
- tying funding of school construction to destroying old-growth forests or non-sustainable resource exploitation;
- any expansion of nuclear power until environmentally safe long-term waste storage can be guaranteed;
- waste disposal and oil exploration in any wildlife refuge, wilderness area, or other environmentally sensitive area;

- importing new nuclear waste to the Hanford Nuclear Reservation;
- exemption of military bases from environmental regulation.

## FOREIGN POLICY

The U.S.A should seek to uphold human welfare and the environment for all people worldwide.

To promote democratic ideals abroad, it is imperative that we:

- support nonviolent conflict resolution;
- support a multilateral approach to foreign policy;
- support the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;
- proclaim the executive and legislative branches of government shall abandon the doctrine of pre-emptive warfare and shall make nonviolence the primary organizing principle of foreign policy.

We support:

- International Criminal Court;
- U. N. Land Mine Treaty;
- Biological & Chemical Warfare Conventions;
- ABM Treaty;
- Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty;
- Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty;
- Space Preservation Treaty;
- Child Soldier Treaty;
- U.S. foreign policy must empower and support the right of all people to self governance and self determination;
- CEDAW (7<sup>th</sup> Convention to End Discrimination Against Women);
- The Kyoto Protocol on Global Climate Change.

We believe:

- multinational corporations are not legal persons entitled to equal protection under the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the U.S. constitution;
- U.S. companies abroad must be prohibited from engaging in practices that would be prohibited at home;
- multinational corporations, their affiliates, subsidiaries and/or franchises may not operate above the international rule of law;
- WTO and NAFTA, as now written, undermine constitutional power of Federal and State government and fail to promote human rights, labor rights, environmental protection worldwide, and therefore the U.S. should re-negotiate said treaties or exercise its right to withdraw.

We support and affirm:

- developing and implementing an equitable and rapid exit strategy from Iraq and Afghanistan;
- nonviolent initiatives aimed at rebuilding civil society and encouraging democracy in Iraq, Iran, and Afghanistan;
- encouraging strict health, safety, and environmental standards worldwide;
- the end of military support to countries that violate human and civil rights;
- honoring and upholding the rights, welfare, and healthy environment of all indigenous people;
- increasing federal funding to combat world hunger and the HIV/AIDS epidemic worldwide;

- consistently working cooperatively with all countries through the United Nations, upholding the Geneva Convention, paying its financial obligations to the U.N, and ratifying pending human rights conventions;
- a call for all governments and corporations to immediately stop production, stockpiling, testing, and use of uranium, depleted uranium, or other radiological weapons;
- closing the School of the Americas, aka The Western Hemispheric Institute for Security Cooperation;
- practice fair trade based on sound environmental quality principles, worker rights, and welfare;
- creating a cabinet-level Department of Peace to establish non-violence as an organizing principle in both domestic and international affairs, strengthen international institutions and cooperative diplomacy to prevent acts of terrorism and resolve international conflicts;
- the elimination of excessive, unnecessary, and redundant programs and weapons, such as Star Wars and the Anti-Ballistic Missile Shield, from the military budget, and investing the savings in pressing domestic needs;
- that the United States should commit to vigorous, serious and persistent even-handed engagement towards a peaceful resolution of the Israeli/Palestinian conflict, promoting negotiations that lead to a viable resolution and ensure security and a good quality of life for the Israeli and Palestinian peoples;
- the United States' ratification of CEDAW (7<sup>th</sup> Convention to End Discrimination Against Women).

## GOVERNMENT AND POLITICAL REFORM

Government embodies the people and must reflect our values as citizens. Our government must be fiscally sound, operate ethically, refrain from establishing or supporting religion, be open, transparent and accountable to the people. Our faith in our government and in our political system can only be restored through constructive reform.

Citizen participation is a right and duty of citizenship, and free, open and verifiable elections are key to our democratic process. Only substantial election reform can restore faith in the election system.

We believe:

- taxes are the price of civilization; we want our taxes to be levied fairly and spent frugally;
- all regulatory agencies should be fully funded.

We support:

- making Election Day a national holiday;
- immediate restoration of voting rights of felons who have completed their sentences;
- public financing of all election campaigns.
- laws requiring all broadcast license holders to provide adequate free airtime to political candidates as a condition of their FCC license;
- fair, voter-verifiable, fully transparent and auditable voting systems;
- encourage colleges and universities to register students to vote and to open campus polling places;
- full Congressional representation for residents of the District of Columbia;
- inclusive campaign and debate process that does not exclude credible third party candidates;
- enforcement of sunshine laws and transparency in sessions that discuss and make policy;
- aggressive congressional investigation of improper connections between government and industry;
- universal voter registration of all U.S. citizens who are eligible voters.

We oppose:

- any practice that reveals election results while the polling places are still open;
- privatizing, outsourcing or off-shoring of governmental public services.

## HEALTHCARE

We believe access to quality health care is a basic human right for all people, essential to national safety and well-being.

We support:

- creation of a universal, publicly funded, single-payer, not-for-profit, comprehensive health system preserving consumer choice;
- parity of mental and physical health coverage;
- amending the Medicare prescription drug benefit to permit access to generic and other cost effective drugs;
- eliminating discrimination against low income patients in the delivery of equal health care;
- a strong Patient Bill of Rights;
- improved long-term care of the consumer's choice (including home care and hospice), and ensuring living wages and training for caregivers;
- regulation and inspection of institutional and residential health care systems;
- Federal regulation and inspection of the medical insurance industry;
- increased funding for prevention programs (such as nutritional education, prenatal care, reproductive health education, and suicide prevention) and disease research and control (including stem cell research);
- dedicating tobacco settlement monies only to tobacco-related health care programs and tobacco use prevention;
- privacy protection of jointly-owned (patient/facility) medical and mental health records, prohibiting the sale or disclosure of personal medical or pharmaceutical records;
- protection of a woman's right to private consultation regarding reproductive decisions. Physicians will be allowed to perform reproductive procedures without fear of retaliation, even in the event of legislative changes;
- a reasonable medical malpractice rate structure, preserving a right to a jury trial and ensuring fair awards for preventable medical errors. Insurance company stockholders, rather than healthcare providers, will bear the burden of investment losses;
- the repeal of the Global Gag Rule that cuts \$34M to UN and international family planning agencies;
- the legalization of marijuana for medical purposes;
- preservation of existing VA hospitals and clinics, and increased funding for the long-term care of veterans. we have a moral obligation to care for our veterans.

## HUMAN RIGHTS & CIVIL RIGHTS

We believe:

- that the inherent dignity and the equal and inalienable rights of all human beings are the foundations of freedom, justice, and peace in the world;
- food, shelter, medical care, education and jobs are basic human rights;
- each person has a right to live free from fear of personal injury;

- the Patriot Act was created out of an irrational reaction to the terrorist acts of 2001, and therefore, the Act should be evaluated to remove components that are unconstitutional and affect liberty including, but not limited to:
  - free speech zones ;
  - indefinite detention;
  - no fly list;
  - enemy combatants status;
  - denial of access to counsel;
  - suspension of the writ of habeas corpus.

We insist that the Geneva Conventions be applied to all detainees, foreign or domestic, no matter where they are held.

We support:

- the Civil Rights Acts of 1964 and 1990;
- affirmative action; we believe those who suffer the burdens of discrimination must be afforded legal means and economic opportunities to overcome such injustice;
- the rights of senior citizens and individuals with disabilities to direct their own lives in housing, education and all other life choices, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990;
- the separation of church and state, and we oppose organized prayer in publicly funded schools;
- the right for medically assisted death with dignity with suitable safeguards for terminally ill patients;
- a woman's right to choose as protected by Roe vs. Wade and the Washington State Reproductive Freedom Act;
- the right to confidentiality of medical records and genetic information.

We affirm:

- the right to sovereignty over our own bodies. We support family planning and women's reproductive rights, regardless of age or ability to pay;
- that the state should not interfere with couples who choose to marry and share fully and equally in the rights, responsibilities, and commitment of civil marriage, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity.

We oppose:

- discrimination in employment, housing, public accommodation, military service, insurance, licensing, or education based on race, religion, age, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, size, political affiliation, or national origin.

We abhor harassment, intimidation, and domestic or sexual violence, and support strong legislation, treatment programs, and education designed to reduce these ills.

## IMMIGRATION

We Support:

- challenging any legislation that:
  - declares English as the official language of the United States;
  - disregards cultural pluralism;
  - deprives those in need of education, social services, and employment access to these resources.

**We Oppose:**

- any immigration policy that denies civil and/or human rights or educational opportunities for immigrants and their children regardless of their immigration status.

**We Affirm:**

- that migrant workers deserve safe and adequate housing, medical care, education, and sanitary facilities.

**INDIAN TRIBES AND TREATIES**

Treaties made between sovereign Indian nations and the United States government must be upheld and preserved.

**LABOR & ECONOMIC JUSTICE**

Economic justice for working families is essential for the realization of a democratic society.

**We support:**

- **Fair Taxation**
  - progressive tax system at both the federal and state level;
  - incentives, including targeted tax credits, to businesses that provide family wage jobs with adequate healthcare and pension benefits, and special programs such as on-site daycare;
  - fair system of paying for growth with impact fees; we oppose the cost-shifting of these expenses onto the general public.
- **Fair Pay**
  - minimum wage that is a living wage;
  - equal pay for equal work;
  - maintenance of state and federal prevailing wage laws;
  - reducing the wage gap between rural and urban areas of the state, including ensuring adequate housing, wages and health care for farm workers;
  - protection of overtime pay.
- **Fair Economic and Trade Policies**
  - only multilateral trade agreements which are conditioned on environmental standards, human rights and workers rights, and which support democratic transparent processes;
  - economic policies conducive to the growth of small business and a strong independent farm system;
  - strict enforcement of all contracting laws, holding violators responsible for payment of all taxes and penalties.
- **Worker Rights**
  - the rights of workers to a safe and healthy workplace, free from harassment;
  - the rights of all workers to organize and use mediation, arbitration, and the right to strike without fear of reprisal or replacement;
  - a workers' Bill of Rights that includes rights of assembly, association and free speech, due process, freedom from discrimination, and democracy within unions;
  - the right of new bargaining units to request mandatory arbitration on the first contract;

- the repeal of the anti-labor Taft-Hartley Act, which has tilted labor law in favor of employers;
  - the automatic recognition of a union, based on signatures of a majority of those represented (card-check);
  - full funding for enforcement of employment standards, child labor laws, and worker safety laws;
  - protection of whistleblowers, (including Federal employees);
  - responsible and responsive bidder language in all public-financed works that includes contractor responsibilities on fair wages, health insurance, retirement and training;
  - the 15% set-asides for using state certified apprentices on public works projects.
- Social Security
    - a separate and dedicated Social Security Trust Fund;
    - maintenance of disabled and dependent survivor Social Security benefits.
  - Support for Economically Disadvantaged
    - welfare reform that will reduce poverty, not just the welfare rolls;
    - funding childcare for citizens transitioning off welfare;
    - public assistance safeguarding the vulnerable poor who cannot reasonably provide for themselves;
    - increased affordable and low-income housing, with emphasis on home ownership;
    - unemployment and retraining benefits for workers laid off or locked out by their employers;

We oppose:

- tip-credit minimum wage;
- efforts to eliminate restrictions on the working hours of teenagers;
- U.S. corporations going offshore in order to evade U.S. laws and taxes;
- the privatization or out-sourcing of public services;
- profiteering, misuse of private data and predatory lending by financial institutions;
- right-to-work laws;
- use of permanent replacement workers during strikes;
- supplanting public employees with low-wage, low benefit contract employees or prison labor;
- privatization of Social Security.

## LAW & JUSTICE

We recognize that civil order is necessary to the survival of a free and democratic state. Civil order can occur only when Justice treats the least among us the same as the greatest in all legal matters. We also recognize that in the pursuit of civil order, we cannot abandon the legal principles upon which a free and democratic society relies. We affirm Liberty and Justice for everyone residing in the US according to the Constitution and believe that criminal justice and human rights are linked.

We believe:

- prevention of crime is as important as reaction to crime;
- violence should not become an accepted fact in our communities;
- authorities and communities must work together, assume responsibility for safety and prevention of crime, and make neighborhoods livable;
- government must help alleviate the social conditions which contribute to crime;
- comprehensive crime prevention must include youth programs;

- property forfeiture should be permitted only after criminal conviction, not on arrest or by seizure;
- corporate officers and board members should be held responsible for the actions of their companies.

We support:

- a new approach to drug addiction focused on treatment and education as opposed to incarceration;
- the stringent enforcement and maintenance of current state and federal laws regulating the ownership of firearms, while respecting the rights of responsible gun owners;
- abolishing capital punishment;
- adequate state funding for indigent defendants in all criminal cases;
- DNA testing to free the innocent and convict the guilty in criminal prosecutions;
- review of mandatory sentencing guidelines and "three-strikes" sentencing, especially for non-violent offenses;
- drug courts;
- elimination of all forms of racial profiling by government or law enforcement;
- eliminating the conditions closely linked to crime and violence by investing in nonviolent conflict resolution, education, health care, social services, and living wage jobs;
- diversion for adult misdemeanors and juvenile offenders, when possible, to alternative victim/offender restorative mediation under the oversight of prosecuting attorney offices.

## MILITARY

Democrats have always answered their country's call to duty and are proud of our military contributions to the nation. We believe that our military men and women - the best our nation has to offer - should always have leadership worthy of them.

We Support:

- all our military members serving at home and overseas, and a safe speedy return for those in combat areas;
- abolition of the military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy and legislation to ensure homosexuals serving their country have equal status with all other service members;
- repeal of the Survivor's Benefit Plan (SBP) Social Security offset when a widowed military spouse reaches age 62, and elimination of the VA disability offset from military retired pay;
- restoration of full, no-cost treatment at military medical facilities for retirees, just as they were promised when they joined;
- complete funding of all VA hospitals and medical treatment facilities for disabled veterans and increased funding for long term care;
- compensation for Guard and Reserve members activated for more than 14 days in combat operations; the government should pay the difference between their non-military and military pay;
- increased instruction of all American personnel in their rights and responsibilities under the Geneva Convention;
- the rights of all persons serving in the military to serve free of sexual harassment and sexual assault and support the prosecution of offenders.

We affirm:

- the right and responsibility of each woman in the military to make her own reproductive decisions and her right to follow through on those decisions at non-military medical facilities

and at her own expense. If needed, the Uniform Code of Military Justice should be revised to guarantee this right;

- that Veteran's programs be regarded as entitlement programs.

We oppose:

- using our precious military resources in international affairs as a first resort rather than a last resort, and we urge the abolishment of the pre-emptive war doctrine.

## TRANSPORTATION

We believe that transportation systems (be they commercial, personal or mass transit) that are efficient, flexible and visionary are key to a healthy economy and environment.

We support:

- making investments in public infrastructure that broaden both rural and urban transportation choices and reduce dependence on the automobile;
- improved facilities for non-motorized movement of people such as pedestrian paths, bicyclists, and people in wheelchairs;
- provide equity and parity in state support among all forms of transportation (i.e. buses, ferries, light rail, heavy rail, monorail, etc.);
- public involvement at all levels in developing transportation plans and systems;
- multiple funding sources including fuel taxes, excise taxes and user fees, which are as progressive as possible, as appropriate for funding essential transportation projects;
- having multiple airports in major urban areas;
- elimination of all tax subsidies which benefit motor vehicles not meeting gas mileage guidelines or that are not being used for their original intent;
- tax credits given to those vehicles that exceed gas mileage guidelines or use alternative fuels;
- inclusion of ferry routes as major collector roads for planning and funding purposes;
- vigorously encourage revising safety standards for tires based on real world safety performance for new and retread passenger tires, medium and heavy vehicles;
- safer intersections for vehicles and pedestrians through better design, improved traffic control measures, and where warranted, revision of existing practices for traffic control devices to permit longer phasing to pedestrian signals to enable safer crossing at high-volume roadways;
- the use of alternative fuels, neighborhood electric and hybrid vehicles through targeted tax incentives;
- recognition that aviation, both private and commercial, is a key form of transportation in our state.

We oppose:

- tariffs paid solely by ferry riders that exceed the subsidies for operating other components of the state highway system;
- major airport expansion without public input, review and vote.

Passed by the Convention, June 5, 2004  
(4,589 words)

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**SEPTEMBER 1996 PRIMARY**

Governor			
Candidate	Party	Votes	Percentage
Gary Locke	D	287762	23.65%
Norman Rice	D	212888	17.50%
Ellen Craswell	R	185680	15.26%
Dale Foreman	R	162615	13.37%
Jay Inslee	D	118571	9.75%
Norm Maleng	R	109088	8.97%
Jim Waldo	R	63854	5.25%
Pam Roach	R	29533	2.43%
Nona Brazier	R	21237	1.75%
Brian Zetien	D	6152	0.51%
Warren E. Hanson	R	4886	0.40%
Bob Tharp	R	4825	0.40%
Jeff Powers	SWP	3742	0.31%
Mohammad H. Said	D	3007	0.25%
Max Englerius	D	2837	0.23%
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Lt. Governor			
Candidate	Party	Votes	Percentage
Brad Owen	D	242757	22.71%
Paull Shin	D	235461	22.02%
Ann Anderson	R	207727	19.43%
Jim West	R	96979	9.07%
Ed Torres	R	58803	5.50%
Gerald Clarke Goodloe	R	50771	4.75%
Bob Owen	D	44510	4.16%
Bambi L. Litchman	D	34326	3.21%
Frank Gavaldon	D	32658	3.05%
Bruce Buckles	R	19951	1.87%
Harvey Billmaier	D	13613	1.27%
Art Rathjen	LBP	11902	1.11%
Shawn Newman	REF	10774	1.01%
Michael Hackett	NLP	8945	0.84%

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Secretary of State

Candidate	Party	Votes	Percentage
Ralph Munro	R	643628	60.40%
Phyllis Kenney	D	388405	36.45%
Gary Gill	NLP	33571	3.15%

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State Treasurer

Candidate	Party	Votes	Percentage
Mike Murphy	D	382262	37.14%
Lucy DeYoung	R	288857	28.06%
Randolph Bell	R	201221	19.55%
Jack Kiley	D	156904	15.24%

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State Auditor

Candidate	Party	Votes	Percentage
Brian Sonntag	D	603663	56.81%
Robert B. Keene, Jr.	R	199721	18.79%
Nina Becker	R	192861	18.15%
Mike The Mover	R	66430	6.25%

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Attorney General

Candidate	Party	Votes	Percentage
Christine Gregoire	D	640031	57.32%
Richard Pope	R	415191	37.18%
Richard Shepard	LBP	37314	3.34%
Luanne Coachman	NLP	24031	2.15%

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Commissioner of Public Lands

Candidate	Party	Votes	Percentage
Jennifer Belcher	D	567009	53.36%
Bruce Mackey	R	291695	27.45%
Patrick Parrish	R	108877	10.25%
Randy Boss	R	69538	6.54%
Marc Strauch	NLP	25527	2.40%

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Superintendent of Public Instruction

Candidate	Party	Votes	Percentage
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Teresa "Terry" Bergeson	NP	379544	38.31%
Ron Taber	NP	174990	17.66%
Chris Vance	NP	119644	12.08%
Dan Leahy	NP	68994	6.96%
Nancy Hidden-Dodson	D	53969	5.45%
Richard A. Fuller	NP	47438	4.79%
Gloria Guzman Johannessen	NP	43737	4.41%
Raul de la Rosa	NP	37646	3.80%
O. Jerome Brown	NP	32127	3.24%
Mae Laverne Lovern	NP	18018	1.82%
Earl LaBerge	NP	14540	1.47%

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Insurance Commissioner

Candidate	Party	Votes	Percentage
Deborah Senn	D	571167	54.00%
Anthony "Tony" Lowe	R	173610	16.41%
Brian McCulloch	R	124514	11.77%
Dave Walker	R	77571	7.33%
Steve Skipper	R	63490	6.00%
Garland Dale Connor	R	23769	2.25%
Steve Sevick	NLP	23554	2.23%

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**NOVEMBER 1996 GENERAL**

Governor

Candidate	Party	Votes	Percentage
Gary Locke	D	1296492	57.96%
Ellen Craswell	R	940538	42.04%

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Lt: Governor

Candidate	Party	Votes	Percentage
Brad Owen	D	1022878	48.02%
Ann Anderson	R	989661	46.46%
Shawn Newman	REF	78510	3.69%
Art Rathjen	LBP	39277	1.84%

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Secretary of State

Candidate	Party	Votes	Percentage
Ralph Munro	R	1223769	57.30%
Phyllis Kenney	D	838632	39.27%
Gary Gill	NLP	73229	3.43%

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State Treasurer

Candidate	Party	Votes	Percentage
Mike Murphy	D	1155498	55.15%
Lucy DeYoung	R	939578	44.85%

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State Auditor

Candidate	Party	Votes	Percentage
Brian Sonntag	D	1338577	64.17%
Robert B. Keene, Jr.	R	747378	35.83%

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Attorney General

Candidate	Party	Votes	Percentage
Christine Gregoire	D	1280955	60.04%
Richard Pope	R	756639	35.46%

Richard Shepard	LBP	58672	2.75%
Luanne Coachman	NLP	37320	1.75%

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Commissioner of Public Lands

Candidate	Party	Votes	Percentage
Jennifer Belcher	D	1098548	52.15%
Bruce Mackey	R	940154	44.63%
Marc Strauch	NP	68011	3.23%

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Superintendent of Public Instruction

Candidate	Party	Votes	Percentage
Teresa "Terry" Bergeson	NP	1260885	63.36%
Ron Taber	NP	729080	36.64%

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Insurance Commissioner

Candidate	Party	Votes	Percentage
Deborah Senn	D	1163832	55.36%
Anthony "Tony" Lowe	R	872280	41.49%
Steve Sevick	NLP	66348	3.16%

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# **EXHIBIT F**

average scores would qualify for bonus payments as described in the measure. The st one-hundredths of one percent (0.15%), with revenues used only for additional teach

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**Assigned Number:** 872  
**Filed:** 01/08/2004

**Sponsor**  
Mr Terry Hunt  
PO Box 1186  
Olympia, WA 98507-1186  
360-943-9911  
360-357-3548  
grange@wa-grange.org

**Ballot Title**  
Initiative Measure No. 872 concerns elections for partisan offices.

This measure would allow voters to select among all candidates in a primary. Ballots would indicate candidates' party preference. The two candidates receiving most votes advance to the general election, regardless of party.

**Ballot Measure Summary**  
This measure proposes a new system for conducting primaries for partisan offices. Th proposal continues current practice of permitting voters to vote for any candidate for office in primary and general elections, without limitation based on party. The two "to candidates with the most votes in the primary advance to the general election. Candidates continue to designate their party. It becomes effective only if the court decision invalidating the traditional blanket primary becomes final.

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**Assigned Number:** 873  
**Filed:** 01/09/2004

**Sponsor**  
Mr David A. Whitman  
840 NE 79th St  
Seattle, WA 98115  
206-524-2338

**Ballot Title**  
Initiative Measure No. 873 concerns an income tax.

This measure would direct the legislature to enact an income tax that would force tho individuals and corporations controlling 95% of the money in the state to pay 95% of taxes.

**Ballot Measure Summary**  
This measure would direct the legislature to enact an income tax that will force those individuals and corporations who possess and control 95% of the money in the state l pay 95% of the taxes.

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**Assigned Number:** 874  
**Filed:** 01/09/2004

**Sponsor**  
Mr David A. Whitman  
840 NE 79th St  
Seattle, WA 98115  
206-524-2338

**Ballot Title**  
Initiative Measure No. 874 concerns taxes.

This measure would declare that the following taxes shall be eliminated: sales tax, gasoline tax, small business tax, telephone tax, and real estate tax.

**Ballot Measure Summary**  
This measure would declare that several taxes shall be eliminated. The taxes to be eliminated are described as the "sales tax, gasoline tax, small business tax, telephone tax, and real estate tax."

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# **EXHIBIT G**

The Honorable Thomas S. Zilly

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

WASHINGTON STATE REPUBLICAN  
PARTY, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

WASHINGTON DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL  
COMMITTEE, et al.,

Plaintiff Intervenor

LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF WASHINGTON  
STATE, et al.,

Plaintiff Intervenor

v.

DEAN LOGAN, King County Records &  
Elections Division Manager; et al.,

Defendants,

STATE OF WASHINGTON, et al.,

Defendant Intervenor

WASHINGTON STATE GRANGE,

Defendant Intervenor.

No. CV05-0927Z

DECLARATION OF DON WHITING IN  
SUPPORT OF WASHINGTON STATE  
GRANGE'S CONSOLIDATED  
RESPONSE

*["Whiting Dec."]*

***Noted for Oral Argument:  
9:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 13, 2005***

DON WHITING declares:

1. I am special projects coordinator for the defendant intervenor Washington State Grange, and I have been actively involved with the Grange's activities, including its most recent

1 activities on behalf of the enactment of Initiative 872. As such, I have personal knowledge of  
2 the facts stated in this declaration and am competent to testify about them.

3 1. The Washington State Grange is a fraternal, social, and civic organization  
4 chartered by the National Grange in 1889 and composed of around three hundred community  
5 and county Granges across our State, some but not all of which are organized under  
6 RCW 24.28.010. At the beginning of 2005, there were 20,720 fraternal members in  
7 284 subordinate Granges and 41 county-level Granges and more than 25,000 non-fraternal  
8 members throughout the state.

9 2. The National Grange was born in the midst of the political and economic  
10 struggle against the monopoly power of the railroads and the grain storage warehouses during  
11 the westward expansion following the Civil War. These issues were also at the center of the  
12 formation of the Washington State Grange at the time of statehood. During the campaign for  
13 statehood in 1889, the Grange advocated that greater controls should have been placed on  
14 railroads than were included in the proposed state Constitution.

15 3. Over the years, the Washington State Grange has advanced and influenced the  
16 debate on many important public issues. In the early years of statehood, the Grange was a  
17 consistent advocate for women's suffrage. During the Progressive Era (1905-1917), the Grange  
18 worked on the efforts to adopt the initiative, referendum, recall, voter pamphlets, and the direct  
19 primary.

20 4. The Grange was instrumental in the creation of public utility districts (through  
21 Initiative to the Legislature No. 1), rural electrification efforts, protection of water resources  
22 (through Initiative to the Legislature No. 59), and efforts to provide universal telephone service.  
23 The Grange is now engaged in a technology program to provide public access computers and  
24 Internet access to under-served communities in our State.

25 5. From its inception, the Grange in Washington State has been concerned with  
26 government and the role of political parties in the public arena. In one of its commentaries on

1 the proposed state Constitution, the Grange argued that the large number of elective offices  
2 would “foster machine politics of the most corrupt and offensive character.” In 1922, the  
3 Grange helped overturn – by referendum – new legislation which would have required voter  
4 registration by party and closed primaries in our State.

5 6. In 1934, the Grange successfully sponsored Initiative to the Legislature No. 2 –  
6 usually referred to as the “blanket” primary – to give individual voters more say in the election  
7 of public officials. After the blanket primary was challenged in federal court, the Grange filed  
8 Initiative to the People No. 872 to establish a replacement top-two election system in our State,  
9 a new system that restores the privacy of voters’ personal political leanings when they vote in  
10 September and restores their free choice to vote for the candidate they believe is best qualified  
11 for public office in election’s first stage (the September ballot), while changing the result of that  
12 September choice to be a straightforward winnowing of the field of all candidates down to the  
13 top two for the election’s second stage (the November ballot).

14 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

15 EXECUTED on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July 2005.

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Don Whiting

# EXHIBIT H

Washington Secretary of State

INITIATIVES: TOP 20 - HIGHEST PETITION SIGNATURES SUBMITTED

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**TOP 20 - INITIATIVES TO THE PEOPLE (IP) & TO THE LEGISLATURE (IL) COMBINED**

IP #282	1973	Elected Officials' Salaries	699,098
IP #695	1999	License Tab Fees/Tax Limitations	514,141
IP #602	1993	Spending & Revenue Limits/Tax Repeal	440,160
IP #790	2002	Law Enforcement & Fire Fighters Retirement Systems	345,543
IP #884	2004	Funds for Educational Purposes	321,932
IL #330	2004	Claims from Healthcare Services	319,146
IP #872	2004	Elections for Partisan Offices	308,402
IP #729	2000	Charter Schools	306,361
IP #775	2001	Long-term In-home Health Care	304,327
IL #336	2004	Medical Malpractice	300,776
IP #518	1988	Minimum Wage	300,900
IP #732	2000	Teacher Salaries	298,722
IP #728	2000	School Class Sizes	297,199
IP #747	2001	Limiting Property Tax Increases	290,704
IP #593	1993	Mandatory Prison Sentences	290,613
IP #688	1998	Minimum Wage	288,357
IL #200	1997	Discrimination	280,511
IL #297	2003	Hazardous Waste	280,382
IP #559	1991	Property Tax Rollback	276,653
IP #773	2001	Low Income Health Programs	275,081

You can find this information at: [http://www.secstate.wa.gov/elections/initiatives/statistics\\_petitions.aspx](http://www.secstate.wa.gov/elections/initiatives/statistics_petitions.aspx)