



SPOKANE COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY RESOLUTION

Affirming Private Property Rights as Essential to Individual Liberty, Freedom, Prosperity, and Self-government

Executive Summary: This resolution affirms private property rights as fundamental and necessary to preserve individual liberty, freedom, and economic prosperity. The right to own, use, and maintain property free of unnecessary government intrusion is also a necessary component of constitutional self-government. This resolution supports secure ownership, use, transfer, and enjoyment of property; opposes abusive eminent domain and excessive regulations; advocates due process and just compensation; and calls for transparent, fair government actions that protect property owners from arbitrary or politically motivated interference.

WHEREAS, the right to acquire, possess, use, enjoy, improve, transfer, and lawfully dispose of private property is a fundamental attribute of individual liberty and a cornerstone of a free society; and

WHEREAS, the protection of private property rights is recognized by the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Washington, and the long-standing principles of American constitutional government; and

WHEREAS, private property ownership promotes personal responsibility, economic opportunity, family stability, investment, stewardship, and the ability of citizens to provide for themselves and future generations; and

WHEREAS, free enterprise, entrepreneurship, and economic freedom depend upon secure and enforceable property rights protected by law; and

WHEREAS, the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States provides that private property shall not be taken for public use without due process of law and just compensation; and

WHEREAS, eminent domain is an extraordinary governmental power that must be exercised sparingly, lawfully, and only for legitimate public purposes consistent with constitutional requirements; and

WHEREAS, regulatory actions that substantially deprive citizens of the beneficial, productive, or reasonable use of their property may undermine the fundamental protections afforded to property owners; and

WHEREAS, property owners should be protected from arbitrary, discriminatory, retaliatory, or politically motivated governmental actions that impair the lawful ownership, use, or enjoyment of their property;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Spokane County Republican Party (the "Party") reaffirms its commitment to protecting private property rights as a fundamental constitutional liberty essential to individual freedom, economic opportunity, and self-government; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Party supports the right of individuals to acquire, possess, use, enjoy, improve, transfer, and lawfully dispose of private property without unnecessary governmental interference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Party opposes abusive uses of eminent domain and governmental takings that exceed legitimate constitutional purposes or fail to respect the rights of property owners; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Party supports the requirements of constitutional due process and just compensation whenever government lawfully acquires, condemns, or takes private property for public use; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Party opposes unnecessary regulations, restrictions, or governmental actions that deprive citizens of the reasonable use, benefit, enjoyment, or value of their property; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Party supports policies that recognize and address regulatory takings when governmental regulations substantially impair fundamental property rights without providing appropriate constitutional protections; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Party supports transparent decision-making, objective standards, and meaningful due process protections in governmental actions affecting private property rights; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Party opposes arbitrary, discriminatory, politically motivated, retaliatory, or preferential government actions that unfairly burden property owners or infringe upon their lawful rights; and

(ACCOUNTABILITY STANDARD) BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that candidates and elected officials receiving Party endorsement should support and defend private property rights as an essential component of constitutional government, economic freedom, and individual liberty; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Spokane County Republican Party affirms that secure private property rights are indispensable to personal freedom, family prosperity, free enterprise, responsible stewardship, and the continued success of the American constitutional republic

Adopted by we, the delegated representatives of the Republican electors of Spokane County, assembled in convention on this 22nd day of August 2026.

Signed: _____,

Chair, Spokane County Republican Party Convention

Signed: _____,

Secretary, Spokane County Republican Party Convention