



**Resolution of the Oregon Republican Party
in Support of the
Respect for Law Act**

WHEREAS the Oregon Republican party recognizes and salutes the hard work, determination, dedication and contributions of legal immigrants to Oregon; and

WHEREAS Section 5.5 of the Oregon Republican Party Platform states, “We also recognize the economic detriments that result from illegal immigration. All levels of government shall work together to enforce all immigration laws;” and

WHEREAS current Oregon law (ORS 181.850) impedes cooperation with Immigration and Customs Enforcement; and

WHEREAS the current practice of giving Oregon driver’s licenses to illegal aliens provides them benefits and privileges that should be reserved to legal residents; and

WHEREAS failure to verify citizenship to register to vote dilutes and diminishes the value of the votes of United States citizens, which is an outrage; and

WHEREAS our existing immigration and border security laws, passed in 1986, are enforced randomly, or even not at all, resulting in a large population of illegal aliens in Oregon;

WHEREAS local law enforcement agencies, with their deep understanding of their jurisdiction, are the best sources of information regarding illegal hiring practices of local employers and are the best resource to assist Federal agencies in bringing local employers into compliance with Federal law; and

WHEREAS the Respect for Law Act, Initiative #112, forbids any statute, regulation or order which prohibits or restricts cooperation with Federal agencies or officials; and

WHEREAS the Respect for Law Act, Initiative #112, requires proof of citizenship to register to vote; and

WHEREAS the Respect for Law Act, Initiative #112, requires proof of legal presence to obtain a driver’s license;

THEREFORE NOW BE IT RESOLVED that the Oregon Republican Party supports gathering signatures for, and passage of, the Respect for Law Act, Initiative #112, which allows state and local law enforcement to work with Immigration and Customs Enforcement to deport criminal aliens, require United States citizenship to register to vote, and require proof of legal presence to get a driver’s license.

Adopted by the Oregon Republican Party on the 29th Day of November, 2007, in the city of Salem, Oregon.

Signed VANCE D. DAY
Oregon Republican Party Chairman