Resolution

of the

Lake County Montana Republican Central Committee

Whereas, free and fair elections untainted by fraud of any kind are absolutely necessary to the establishment and maintenance of our Republic,

Whereas, the principle that each citizen is entitled to have his voice heard via a vote was and is an essential component of our Republic,

Whereas, the Constitution of these United States and the State of Montana guarantee the right of free and fair elections to our citizens,

Whereas, the Constitution of these United States recognizes that the administration of elections is the responsibility of each state Legislature,

Whereas, the sanctity of our election system is being called into question, especially, but not limited to internet-based fraud and intrusion into our various voting machines,

Whereas, the faith of citizens in the security of our elections is being undermined by a lack of progress on various election integrity issues,

Whereas, we as citizens of the United States and Montana recognize the need to rectify the fraud-based deficiencies of our current election systems,

NOW therefore, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

- 1. We call upon and direct the Governor to call, and Montana Legislature to convene, an immediate special session to address all election issues.
- 2. We call upon and direct the Montana Legislature to enact legislation that extends the time for retaining the election records in all forms from the 2020 election for a period of five years from the date of said election,
- 3. We call upon and direct the Montana Legislature to enact legislation that clarifies "election records" to include all paper and electronic data including but not limited to ballots, ballot images, forensic images of hard drives and memory devices, and videos of election proceedings.
- 4. We call upon and direct the Montana Legislature to enact legislation that makes it a crime to dispose of any election records as defined in paragraph 3 above. A person convicted of said crime shall be punished by mandatory incarceration in the Montana Department of Corrections penal institute for a period of 5 years, and a fine of \$100,000.