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WYOMING DEMOCRATIC PARTY

***A RESOLUTION URGING THE WYOMING STATE LEGISLATURE TO ADOPT
LEGISLATION TO MAKE ALL COUNTY-LEVEL POLITICAL RACES NON-PARTISAN:***

WHEREAS, thousands of Wyoming voters registered as “Unaffiliated” are unable to vote in County partisan primary elections for their candidate of choice; and

WHEREAS, voters who change parties in order to vote in a local primary election are inadvertently locked into affecting a state-level primary race; and

WHEREAS, partisan primaries and “party switching” creates significant increases in record-keeping for election officials; and

WHEREAS, “party switching” results in increased costs and difficulties faced by state parties when attempting to accurately reach out to their members; and

WHEREAS, “party switching” leads to inaccurate counts of party membership, especially in smaller jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the political affiliation of a county-level elected official does not impact the manner in which they conduct their offices or themselves professionally; and

WHEREAS, municipal elections in Wyoming are already non-partisan;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Central Committee of the Wyoming Democratic Party requests that elections statutes be amended to state that all county-level elections in Wyoming shall be non-partisan.

Adopted by the Central Committee of the Wyoming Democratic Party on
Saturday, August 17, 2019, in Lander, Wyoming.


Joseph M Barbuto, Chairman