

## RESOLUTION SUPPORTING STATE CHAIRMAN PAT BRADY

*Whereas*, State Chairman Pat Brady has neither been found in violation of any law nor oath of office as Chairman of the Illinois Republican Party in his exercising of his constitutionally-protected freedoms of thought and speech in his support of same-sex marriage; and

*Whereas*, State Chairman Brady's contact with elected state representatives regarding his support for same-sex marriage was independent from his role as Chairman of the Illinois Republican Party; and

*Whereas*, the Party Platform in question states that the Illinois Republican Party has a calling "to advance the founding principles of *freedom*, opportunity, and limited government;" and

*Whereas*, the Party Platform in question states that the Illinois Republican Party is "the party of the open door to those who share our principles" of freedom, opportunity, and limited government; and

*Whereas*, the Party Platform in question states, "Steadfast in our commitment to our ideals, we recognize . . . that members of our party can have deeply held and sometimes differing views. This diversity is a source of strength, not a sign of weakness, and so we welcome into our ranks all who may hold differing positions on issues on our shared bedrock principles" listed in the Platform preamble – freedom, opportunity, and limited government; therefore be it

*Resolved*, the La Salle County Republican Central Committee immediately send correspondence to the Illinois Republican State Central Committee, calling for their support of State Chairman Pat Brady to fulfill his term as Chairman of the Illinois Republican Party as a reaffirmation of the value of diversity in differing views and as a reaffirmation of the Illinois Republican Party's call to advance the founding principles of freedom, as recognized in the 2012 Illinois Republican Party Platform.

*As adopted by the La Salle County Republican Central Committee on March 5, 2013.*

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