

Table Comparing RNC Election Integrity Resolution to SC GOP Election Integrity Resolution

	RNC RESOLUTION	Comments		SCGOP RESOLUTION
	<i>RESOLUTION URGING A "RETURN TO EXCELLENCE" IN AMERICAN VOTING AND ELECTIONS</i>	RNC: Passed unanimously Sept 9, 2023 SCGOP: Passed in collection of 8 resolutions with no discussion Sept 30, 2023	//	<i>A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA REPUBLICAN PARTY IN SUPPORT OF ELECTION INTEGRITY IN SOUTH CAROLINA</i>
1W	WHEREAS , To present a formal Resolution from the Republican National Committee for <u>declared opposition to voting manipulation schemes and to return to the functional and historic balloting and polling experience</u> that Americans understand, appreciate, and love;	RNC: Strong statement: <u>declare opposition; Voting manipulation schemes; return to the functional and historical balloting and polling experience</u> historic: see 3W Founders SCGOP: Weak, does not address voting manipulation	//W1	WHEREAS , the South Carolina Republican Party Platform states, "We support efforts to promote the integrity of the election process in South Carolina"; and
		SCGOP: Social Security numbers are given out to non-citizens. Only citizens should vote in US elections. Prior to COVID we had a one day early voting window. Thus, our voting period was elongated. This is expensive and reduces turnout.	//W3	WHEREAS , the South Carolina General Assembly's 2022 Election Integrity Act has outlawed Ballot harvesting and drop boxes, requires the voter <u>Social Security number in order to receive an absentee ballot, and shortened the early voting window</u> ; and
			//W4	WHEREAS , current state law now specifies that election related crimes are now considered a felony with up to \$5,000 in fines and 5 years in prison; and
		Current audits don't appear to be random precincts; Pre-determined by SEC and local county board. Independent post-election results verification audits introduce third party influence: Bar Codes, ES&S, ERIC, SCYTL, GBI	//W5	WHEREAS , current state law requires hand-count audits to be conducted in <u>random precincts</u> in all 46 counties in South Carolina prior to election certification, as well as <u>independent post-election results verification audits</u> ; and
2W	WHEREAS , The mission of the Republican Party is to act as the party that encourages and allows the broadest possible participation to all voters and to assure that the Republican Party is open and <u>accessible to all Americans</u> ;	<u>Accessible to all Americans... citizenship?</u>		
3W	WHEREAS , Ensuring <u>the integrity of our voting and election administration</u> is critical and foundational to maintaining	RNC: Ensuring the integrity of our election <u>administration, the ones who count the votes, to decentralize.</u>	//W2	WHEREAS , ensuring the integrity of our elections is critical and foundational to maintaining a civil society <u>decentralized from a federal government as</u>

	<p>a civil and decent society <u>decentralized from a federal government as the Founders intended</u>;</p>	<p>SCGOP: deleted administration</p> <p>DEFINITION: Decentralized: (of an activity or organization) controlled by several local offices or authorities rather than one single one</p> <p>SC is not decentralized; it is highly centralized via at State Election Commission Also, our system now uses third party groups: Bar Codes, ES&S, ERIC, SCYTL, GBI, some of which are based entirely outside the United Staes</p>		<p><u>the Founders intended</u>; and</p>
4W	<p>WHEREAS, Americans <u>expect accurate and swift</u> determinations as it pertains to elections and the administration of elections;</p>	<p><i>Foster vs Love</i>, 522 U.S. 67 (1997), elections undecided by midnight are void</p>		
5W	<p>WHEREAS, Elections have been under assault from those on the Left as they attempt to <u>implement schemes</u> and intentionally inject chaotic administrative changes that have drastically changed how elections are conducted in hundreds of the most populous counties and regions across the nation;</p>	<p>Schemes: drop boxes, mailing ballots to all registered voters, no signature verification</p> <p>SC Electronic poll book signature machine does not verify signature. It is so bad that it does not pick up enough of the signature to verify against driver's license.</p> <p>Critical need: Chain of custody</p>		
6W	<p>WHEREAS, Election officials are <u>obligated to apply polling place access equitably in states, and should not eliminate polling places in order and to move to "vote center" models that make polling place access more difficult in more conservative areas</u>;</p>	<p>SCGOP: omits this, as it is backing VOTING CENTERS and early voting</p> <p>RNC: Keep it small simple and local</p>		
7W	<p>WHEREAS, Democrats are passing non-citizen voting laws in liberal cities, which the Republican National Committee has previously resolved to oppose and ensure only United States citizens decide our elections;</p>	<p>SCGOP: OMITTS REQUIREMENT TO PROVE CITIZENSHIP. Social Security number does not prove citizenship as //W3 implies.</p>		
8W	<p>WHEREAS, Republican officials are explicitly asking for decisive direction and support from the national</p>			

	Republican apparatus and elected Republican leadership;			
9W	WHEREAS , <u>The grassroots activists of the Republican Party have discovered and made it abundantly clear that there are recognized problems with electronic election procedures and intentional complications of instituted systems that complicate, belabor, and slow down our election processes;</u>	SCGOP: OMITTS THIS, DOES NOT ACKNOWLEDGE RECOGNIZED PROBLEMS		
10W	WHEREAS , Election experts agree that the most resilient voting systems use <u>paper ballots</u> , either marked by hand or with an assistive device, and are verified by the voter before <u>any means</u> of tabulation; and	Article II Section 1 of SC Constitution states that our votes shall be cast in secret but not counted in secret. Tabulators are black boxes that are proprietary to company and therefore cannot be accessed or audited. This is counting in secret. Tabulators read the bar codes, the voter cannot. RNC: paper ballot SCGOP: paper ballot The definition of “paper ballot” is not clear. Our current system is not a true paper ballot system. They are “coded” ballots, both via the use of bar codes in place of candidate selection and the columns of timing marks along the edges of the card. The voter cannot verify unless they have a bar coded reader. We have paper “receipts” that the voter cannot even keep or take a picture of.	//W6	WHEREAS , election experts agree the most resilient voting systems use <u>paper ballots</u> , either marked by hand or with an assistive device, and are verified by the voter <u>before tabulation</u> ; and
11W	WHEREAS , The Republican National Committee has unanimously opposed complicated <u>election schemes like Ranked Choice Voting</u> that is a clear example of the chaos being pushed on our states and territories; therefore, be it	Let’s make this illegal; codify “one voter, one vote.”	//W7	WHEREAS , election integrity is a fundamental and core function that the South Carolina Republican Party consistently fights for, and the <u>Party opposes Ranked Choice Voting in any form at any level of government</u> ;
1R	RESOLVED , The Republican National Committee boldly opposes means of voting that do not have the proper safeguards in place and are exclusively electronic and calls on every county and state in the nation to use as the default	RNC: Calls upon the South Carolina Legislature to write and pass legislation that replaces electronic voting machines by secure, watermarked and numbered paper ballots that are hand counted; and calls for <u>hand-marked, voter-verified paper ballots to</u>	//T1	THAT the South Carolina Republican Party opposes any means of voting that do not have safeguards ensuring that all ballots are fully auditable and that every vote is memorialized by a paper ballot; and

	<p>ballot systems, which are fully auditable, namely <u>hand-marked, voter-verified paper ballots to ensure every voter is memorialized by a paper record;</u></p>	<p>ensure every voter is memorialized by a paper record;</p> <p>The ballots with bar-codes are NOT fully verifiable, voter has no way to know if the bar code represents the printed candidate they intended to vote for, and THERE IS NO WAY to ensure the tabulator records the ballots/bar codes correctly.</p> <p>SCGOP: does not indicate that the paper ballot can be hand counted</p>		
2R	<p>RESOLVED, The Republican National Committee calls on secretaries of state of each state to implement anticounterfeit ballot printing, tracing and verification procedures;</p>	<p>RNC: Calls upon SCGOP, the SC Governor and the SEC to support legislation that replaces electronic voting machines by secure, watermarked and numbers paper ballots that are hand counted.</p> <p>SCGOP: omits the requirement for anticounterfeit ballot printing and ballot tracing and verification procedures</p>		
3R	<p>RESOLVED, The Republican National Committee formed a special Election Integrity Committee designed to offer ideas, suggestions and reports on election equipment and voting procedures and it will integrate its findings of best practices through the Election Integrity Department and communicating its findings on voting schemes, balloting systems, election equipment, and safeguards to elected officials, candidates, and voters;</p>	<p>Who/what organizations comprise the RNC Election Integrity Committee? Is there transparency regarding their owners, boards of directors, and contributors?</p>		
4R	<p>RESOLVED, The Republican National Committee supports the rights of counties and states that are willing and able to competently and efficiently implement <u>voting procedures that do not require the use of machines and those that implement hand counting procedures that are fully auditable;</u></p>	<p>RNC: Voting procedures that do not require the use of machines and those that implement hand counting procedures that are fully auditable;</p> <p>Hand counting could be fully observable and would comply with our constitution.</p> <p>SCGOP OMITTS the removal of the machines.</p>		

	that are not fairly defined and bound to a designated geographic territory and where voting locations exist, namely by precinct, so that voting is accessible equitably by legal precinct, ward or defined geographic unit <u>in order to provide impartial access for all voters</u> ; and	Hand Count Audit Act, the Voter Access and Transparency Act, and the Clean Voter roll Act		defined and bound to a designated geographic territory and where voting locations exist, namely by county and precinct; and
		This is a violation of the Republican form of government which requires local control not bureaucratic interference. KEEP local elections under control of local municipalities—these small elections don't need to be under the SEC—give them flexibility—centralization breeds potential corruption and loss of transparency and accountability.	//T7	THAT the Party supports efforts to standardize <u>municipal elections to ensure consistency and security</u> ; and
10R	RESOLVED , The Republican National Committee calls for a necessary “return to excellence” or in other words, a return to the simple and proven methods of precinct, ward or geographically-defined localized voting with auditable balloting procedures using <u>paper ballots</u> , in fair, reasonable limited time periods, using proper identification to strengthen voter confidence and to ensure that American election procedures can be a fair and open process for all to participate.	RNC: See 1R and 10W for defining “paper ballots.” All machines are hackable, so to have fair and open processes the machines must be eliminated.	//T8	THAT the Party supports continuing to have auditable balloting procedures using <u>paper ballots</u> , in reasonable limited time periods, using proper identification to strengthen voter confidence and to ensure that our election procedures are fair and open processes for all legal voters
		See 5R and 9R	//T9	THAT the Party calls for any legislation necessary to ensure that our elections are conducted in accordance with the aforementioned principles

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