

CONSTITUTION PARTY OF WYOMING RESOLUTION #2022-01

Submitted by CPWYO - Platte County

as adopted and approved at the CPWYO-PC County Caucus 12 March 2022

A Resolution Opposing the Implementation of Presidential Executive Order No. 14008, dated January 27, 2021

WHEREAS, On January 27, 2021, President Joseph R. Biden, Jr., issued Executive Order 14008 entitled “Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad” (86 Fed. Reg. 7,619); and

WHEREAS, Executive Order 14008 (“EO 14008”), Section 208, issues an immediate pause in all new oil and gas leases on public lands; and

WHEREAS, the consequences of EO 14008 on fossil fuels will have an immediate, direct, and negative effect on the economy, welfare, and well-being of the State of Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, the oil and gas industry is a major factor in the American economy, and the pause on new leases “on public lands or in offshore waters” (Sec. 208), coupled with the termination of the Keystone Pipeline, has increased the rate of inflation through increased product costs, absent reasonable, established, and available alternative sources of energy; and

WHEREAS, EO 14008, Section 214, asserts a policy of the Biden Administration to create a workforce to conserve federally-owned public lands and the waters of the United States with protection of America’s natural treasures, increase reforestation, improve access to recreation, and increase resilience to wildfires and storms; and

WHEREAS, in EO 14008, Section 216(a), President Biden directed the Secretary of the Interior, in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture and other senior officials, to develop a program “to achieve the goal of conserving at least 30 percent of our lands and waters by 2030”, which is called “The 30 x 30 Program,” as well as the “America The Beautiful” program; and

WHEREAS, under the 30 x 30 program, some 680 million acres of our Nation’s lands would be set aside and permanently preserved in their natural state, preventing any productive use of these lands and their resources; and

WHEREAS, designating lands as wilderness does not assure their preservation; left in an undisturbed or “natural” state, these lands are highly susceptible to wildland wildfires, noxious weeds, insect infestation and disease, all of which degrade the natural and human environment; and

WHEREAS, the well-being, health, safety, welfare, economic condition, and culture of Wyoming, its citizens and its businesses depend on private land ownership, and the development of resources on public lands; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Constitution Party of Wyoming place a high priority on limited governmental interference and the preservation of private property rights,

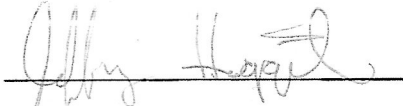
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CONSTITUTION PARTY OF WYOMING that the Constitution Party of Wyoming oppose Presidential Executive Order No. 14008 for the following reasons:

1. The Constitution Party of Wyoming 2020 Platform pertaining to LAND states, “We affirm that the Constitution of the United States forbids the federal ownership of land within states’ borders except for constitutional military bases.”
2. The Constitution Party of Wyoming 2020 Platform pertaining to EXECUTIVE ORDERS states, “We oppose executive orders that usurp the constitutional authority of the legislative or judicial branches of the federal government or the constitutional authority of the State or of the people.”
3. The Constitution Party of Wyoming 2020 Platform pertaining to PRIVATE PROPERTY in part states, “Ownership and control of personal and private property is an unalienable right and key to a successful free market. We oppose the actions of any entities (organizations, agencies, persons) that would diminish private property rights.”
4. The Constitution Party of Wyoming 2020 Platform pertaining to NULLIFICATION states, “We affirm the natural right of the states to nullify the actions of federal agencies and court decisions that usurp powers not enumerated to them by the Constitution of the United States.”
5. The Constitution Party of Wyoming supports the fossil fuel industry and thereby opposes the immediate pause in any oil and gas leases.
6. The Constitution Party of Wyoming supports the continued private ownership of land in the State, recognizing the Nation’s need for domestic sources of minerals, energy, timber, food, and fiber.
7. The Constitution Party of Wyoming opposes acquisitions of private land through regulatory compulsion and instead believes land should be purchased from willing landowners for full and fair market value.
8. The Constitution Party of Wyoming recognizes and supports the State of Wyoming water rights system, including the doctrine of prior appropriation and other state laws and programs governing water rights and water use, and opposes any federal designation of waters and watercourses within Wyoming that would impair or restrict water diversions and uses authorized under State law.
9. The Constitution Party of Wyoming is opposed to any road closure, road decommissioning, moratoriums on road construction, or other limitations to public access to federal public lands caused by EO 14008.
10. The Constitution Party of Wyoming intends and will ensure that a copy of this Resolution be issued to the national headquarters of the Constitution Party, our Congressional delegation, and to the American Stewards of Liberty.

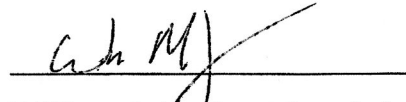
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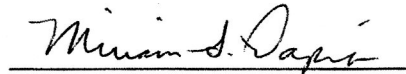
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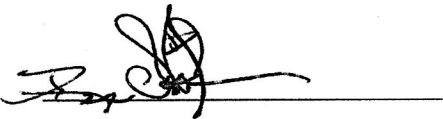
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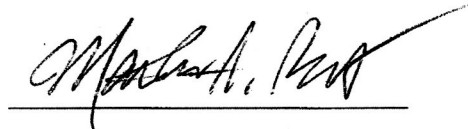
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