

How to submit resolutions for the WA State Party Platform

- 1) The title of the resolution must be clearly and concisely stated at the beginning of the resolution.
- 2) The resolution must be no more than two (2) pages in length.
- 3) The resolution must contain at least two (2) “WHEREAS” statements identifying the situation to be addressed by the resolution.
 - a) “Whereas” statements should be limited to five (5) and directly support the action requested in the “Therefore” statements.
 - b) “Whereas” statements should be supported by documented references.
- 4) The resolution must contain at least one (1) “THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED” stating the action or actions to be taken if the resolution is adopted.
 - a) “Therefore” statements should be limited to three (3) and directly provide actions to situations defined in the “Whereas” statements.
- 5) Clauses should be worded as if written from the point of view of the Washington State Democrats and not the organization originally submitting the resolution
- 6) The resolution must contain the name of the Committee, Caucus, or Organization submitting the resolution, a named Contact Person, contact information and the date it was submitted at the bottom of the resolution.
- 7) Citations will not be included for passage by the full body but are recommended for context and background as the committee considers submitted resolution(s).

SAMPLE RESOLUTION

Commemorating National Star Wars Day

WHEREAS the Star Wars franchise and films have been influential on wide reaching aspects of popular culture;

WHEREAS the origins of Star Wars Day is rumored to be a poor translation of the famous Star Wars quote, “May the force be with you” back in 2005;

WHEREAS great ways to celebrate Star Wars Day are watching any of the films or hosting a marathon;

WHEREAS Star Wars Day is known in some circles as Luke Skywalker Day; and

WHEREAS National Star Wars Day is celebrated by fans and nerds worldwide on May 4th;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Washington State Democratic Party, support the celebration of National Star Wars Day;

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED a copy of this resolution will be sent to Democratic Washington State legislators and congressional members; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that we, the Washington State Democratic Central Committee, urge our elected federal and state officials to observe National Star Wars Day.

Submitted by 50th Legislative District Democrats to the Washington State Democratic Party Committee for consideration at its June 20, 2054 meeting in Tacoma. (Date Submitted 4/26/2054). Contact person: Luke Skywalker IV 206-555-5555