

Resolution to Repeal the 17th Amendment

WHEREAS the federal governments continues to encroach more deeply into American lives and liberties protected by the Constitution of the United States; and

WHEREAS record federal budget deficits reflect these escalating costs & encroachments; and

WHEREAS that federal debt burden mounts through reckless and irresponsible government fiscal and monetary policies, enslaving unborn generations of Americans with a form of financial indentured servanthood; and

WHEREAS many federal officials, elected or appointed, have an insatiable hunger to wield more and more power and control over the daily lives of ordinary American citizens; and

WHEREAS our elected officials continue to distance themselves further and further from the sentiments and interests of those who elected them; and

WHEREAS the federal government expansion is occurring at the expense of the rights & responsibilities historically enjoyed by Sovereign States as guaranteed & secured by the Tenth Amendment to the Constitution; and

WHEREAS for these reasons our Framers preserved the integrity of the Sovereign States, and the 17th Amendment destroyed this federal system,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE ARIZONA STATE REPUBLICAN PARTY DEMANDS THE REPEAL OF THE 17TH AMENDMENT AND REQUESTS OUR LEGISLATURE TO PASS A RESOLUTION TO REPEAL THE 17TH AMENDMENT AND RETURN TO THE FOUNDING FATHERS' FORMULA FOR A BALANCE OF POWER BETWEEN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND THE FIFTY SOVEREIGN STATES.