# 1. Human and Civil Rights

# 1.1. Homeowner Rights

## 1.2. Marriage

1.2.1. We support marriage equality for all citizens.

# 1.3. Sexual Orientation

- 1.3.1. We oppose discrimination of any kind toward person(s) based on sexual orientation.
- 1.3.2. We support a transgender-inclusive employment non-discrimination act.
- 1.3.3. We support an individual's ability to identify their gender identity as they choose.

# 1.4. Women's Rights

- 1.4.1. We believe that equal rights should be extended to all citizens, regardless of gender.
- 1.4.2. We believe that Democrats must come out strongly against the war on women.
- 1.4.3. We oppose overturning Roe vs. Wade; abortion must be kept safe and legal, and that women should have control over their own bodies.
- 1.4.4. We oppose the "personhood" amendment.
- 1.4.5. We believe in the preservation of a woman's right to choose and the right of a woman to make her own healthcare decisions in privacy without coercion and/or employer interference.
- 1.4.6. We believe that reproductive rights should be protected, including ensuring continued funding for reproductive and other health service providers.
- 1.4.7. We believe that all women should receive full, affordable insurance coverage for reproductive health care without employer interference.
- 1.4.8. We fully support equal pay for women in all occupational categories.

#### 1.5. Civil Liberties

- 1.5.1. Surveillance of Americans should only occur with a judicially-approved warrant.
- 1.5.2. We believe that every terminally ill individual should have the right to choose how and when to end his/her life.
- 1.5.3. We believe that Congress should reject any proposal that would compel private companies to deliberately weaken individual privacy.
- 1.5.4. We believe that all peoples, regardless of race, religion, sex, age, ethnic origin, or sexual preference must be afforded equal rights under the law. Law

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enforcement must be trained to implement and to enforce laws equally and without bias.

#### 1.6. Children

1.6.1. Whereas children have died known to Child Protection Services, and Whereas we believe that Colorado's Health and Human Services should be fully-funded and effective in the services provided for abused and neglected children,

Be it resolved, we support advocating for the best interest of the child, and Be it resolved, we believe that each youth in CPS deserves a safe, healthy home as quickly as possible and they should be provided mental health treatment to heal from past traumas, and

Be it resolved, we believe each youth in the CPD should be given the opportunity to become healthy, self-sufficient members of the community.

1.6.2. We believe that the systems in Colorado to protect children are broken. We support legally enabling interagency communication to the benefit of the protection of the children.

#### 1.7. Disabled

disabilities; and

1.7.1. Whereas at least ten percent of the world's population, more than 650 million people, have physical or mental disabilities; and

Whereas throughout the world, many people with disabilities are denied their human rights and kept on the margins of society; and

Whereas the United Nations adopted the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities ("the Convention") on December 13, 2006; and

Whereas the Convention establishes the legal obligations of governments to recognize and respect the rights of persons with disabilities; and

Whereas the purpose of the Convention is to promote, protect, and ensure the full and equal enjoyment of all human rights and fundamental freedoms by all persons with disabilities, and to promote respect for their inherent dignity; and Whereas the Convention sets forth general principles including individual autonomy, independence, nondiscrimination, full participation and inclusion in society, respect for difference and acceptance of persons with disabilities as part of human diversity, equality of opportunity, accessibility, equality between

Whereas the Convention is crucial for the social and economic development of societies worldwide, including in developing countries where eighty percent of people with disabilities live;

women and men, and respect for the evolving capacities of children with

Whereas eighty-two nations have already ratified the Convention; and Whereas, at President Obama's direction Susan Rice, US Ambassador to the United Nations, signed the Convention on July 30, 2009; and Whereas adoption of the Convention by the US requires ratification by

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two-thirds of the US Senate;

Therefore, be it resolved that The Colorado Democratic Party calls on all Democratic senators to actively support ratification of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; and that

The Colorado Democratic Party urges the US Senate to ratify the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities as soon as possible

1.7.2. We support implementation of affirmative action policies for people with disabilities.

#### 1.8. Patriot Act

- 1.8.1. We support due process for a person suspected of terrorist actions.
- 1.8.2. We reaffirm that attacks on health services are domestic terrorism.

## 1.9. Religion

- 1.9.1. We support a commitment to a secular government.
- 1.9.2. We oppose the use of religion to deny public services to any individual.

## 1.10. Human Trafficking

- 1.10.1. We believe that indentured servitude should be made illegal in all instances.
- 1.10.2. We support all efforts to end human trafficking.

#### 1.11. Mental Health

- 1.11.1. We believe that funding for training, screening, treatment, and programming of mental health problems be increased.
- 1.11.2. We support the availability and affordability of mental healthcare for all and we discourage discrimination against those that seek care for mental health issues.

## 2. Education

#### 2.1. General

- 2.1.1. We would like tuition reform helping to provide a more affordable tuition rate.
- 2.1.2. We support free tuition to public colleges and to trade schools.
- 2.1.3. We believe that a high quality education is a fundamental human right.

#### 2.2. Funding

- 2.2.1. We categorically oppose the use of public funds for private, for-profit, and independent schools.
- 2.2.2. We support making college affordable by reducing interest in student loans and by increasing grants and scholarships.
- 2.2.3. We support higher wages for teachers and smaller class sizes.
- 2.2.4. We support increasing funding for public education.

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## 2.3. Mill Levy

2.3.1. Whereas the health of our democracy, the vibrancy of our communities, the vitality of our economy and the future of our children all depend on the quality of public education in our state,

Whereas, despite the fundamental importance of education, Colorado is doing a very poor job of investing in our schools, colleges, universities, and students, Whereas, Colorado spends \$2,500 less per pupil than the national average. Whereas, we are 51st in funding of higher education,

Whereas, we are in the bottom quartile of states for student teacher ratios, technology in schools, and teacher compensation,

Whereas, our drop out and remediation rates are unacceptable, and our achievement gap between kids who are and are not eligible for free lunch is among the worst in the nation,

Whereas, at the same time, Colorado is moving forward on education reforms: new standards, new accountability, new educator effectiveness mandates, Whereas. these mandates and policies are grossly underfunded, which undermines both the reforms and the students they are intended to help, Whereas, while funding alone will not guarantee the success of our students, a lack of resources guarantees failure,

Be it resolved, we believe our state leaders must provide our schools, colleges and universities with the funding necessary to prepare all Colorado students for success as citizens and members of the workforce. Inaction is no longer an option. Our children don't get do-over's and they cannot wait any longer.

- 2.3.2. We oppose the institution of any voucher system in the Douglas County School District.
- 2.3.3. We support state education funding that will bring Colorado, at least, up to the national funding average.
- 2.3.4. We support the reinstitution of programs such as Head Start (pre-school education).
- 2.3.5. We oppose using public funds to support students in private or parochial institutions.
- 2.3.6. Whereas county public funding has supported schools outside the county, we oppose using county education funds for schools outside the county.
- 2.3.7. We support reducing the tuition costs for higher education.

#### 2.4. Elections

- 2.4.1. School Board Elections should not be political.
- 2.4.2. We believe that the use of superdelegates should be abolished in the Democratic Party.
- 2.4.3. We believe that Colorado should move to a presidential primary.

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- 2.4.4. We support the elimination of the Electoral College.
- 2.4.5. Whereas, huge sums of money have been contributed to school board candidates in Colorado.

Whereas these sums, donated by out of district/state interests, have had a detrimental affect on the voice of local stakeholders.

Whereas, all other elected positions in Colorado have campaign donation limits. Therefore, be it resolved that campaign donation limits be enacted for school board elections.

#### 2.5. Safety

2.5.1. We resolve that the best way to improve the safety of our school system is by mental health intervention, not by arming teachers.

#### 2.6. Dev Disabled

- 2.6.1. We believe that adults with special needs currently do not receive adequate service. Thus, extended services should be provided past the age of 21.
- 2.6.2. We support funding for the educational and ancillary services needed to best prepare developmentally disabled students for the future.

#### 2.7. Standards

2.7.1. We support an equitable system of distribution of educational funds based on the needs of children.

# 3. International

#### 3.1. Israel

3.1.1. The U.S. government should support attempts to resolve the conflict between Palestine and Israel.

#### 3.2. Wars

- 3.2.1. We support the change in our military doctrine to avoid pre-emptive conflicts and wars.
- 3.2.2. We support diplomacy and sanctions in preference to military action.
- 3.2.3. We oppose the use of nuclear, chemical, biological, and other weapons of mass destruction.

#### 3.3. Iran

3.3.1. We support dealing with Iran through diplomacy, rather than through war.

#### 3.4. Crimea

3.4.1. We support dealing with Crimea through diplomacy, rather than through war.

#### 3.5. Cuba

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3.5.1. We support ending the trade embargo with Cuba and pursue normalization of diplomatic relations.

# 3.6. Afghanistan

- 3.6.1. We support the current timetable to pull our troops from Afghanistan by 2014.
- 3.6.2. We support ending the war in Afghanistan.

## 3.7. Immigration

- 3.7.1. We propose that an equitable and just immigration policy be adopted and applied for all immigrants. We support this policy being a high priority.
- 3.7.2. Civil rights for immigrants should be fully upheld.
- 3.7.3. Be it resolved that the National Democratic Party encourages the resettlement of properly vetted refugees into the United States without regard to their nationality, ethnicity, or religious affiliation.

# 4. Campaign, Election, and Media Reform

### 4.1. Elections

- 4.1.1. We support public financing for political candidates
- 4.1.2. We support giving county residents the same right of petition as city and town residents, to ensure the rights of initiative, referendum, and recall.
- 4.1.3. We support campaign finance reform including complete disclosure of all campaign contributions regardless of the source. Such disclosures shall be required from not only those running for office but also all political parties, corporations, and political action committees.

#### 4.2. Citizens United

- 4.2.1. We believe that, for the purposes of campaign contributions, corporations should not be considered people and are not entitled to constitutional rights and protections in matters of Election Campaign Financing; and Whereas money is not speech, and therefore regulating political contributions and spending is not equivalent to limiting political speech; therefore, Be It Resolved, we oppose Citizens United.
- 4.2.2. Whereas a healthy democracy should be broad-based, with each person having an equal voice, and

Whereas superpacs tend to funnel electoral power into the hands of the few, and

Whereas Citizens United tends to allocate electoral power on the basis of wealth, therefore

Be It Resolved, we support comprehensive campaign finance reform to include the elimination of superpacs, limits on contributions, and to level the amount of money that can be donated to all candidates.

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# 4.3. Funding

4.3.1. We support public funding for all campaigns of public office.

## 4.4. Bi-Partisanship

#### 4.5. DC Items

4.5.1. Be it resolved that the National Democratic Party enforce the constitutional requirement for the "advice and consent" of the US Senate for federal judicial nominees.

## 4.6. Voting

- 4.6.1. We oppose attempts to discourage voting by anyone, for any reason. Voting should always be encouraged.
- 4.6.2. We support making voter registration easier and not requiring identification to vote.
- 4.6.3. We oppose gerrymandering.

# 5. Health

## 5.1. Single-Payer

- 5.1.1. Whereas, we believe that health care is a human right,
  Whereas, we support a universal, affordable, fiscally responsible healthcare
  system, for all that ensures affordable coverage,
  Be it resolved, the best way to achieve a fiscally responsible system is through a
  public, federal, single payer system.
- 5.1.2. Whereas Americans with disabilities and chronic health conditions rely heavily on public health programs, primarily Medicaid and Medicare, not only for primary health care but also for long-term care needs; and Be it resolved, we support the concept of community choice in long-term care programs; and that We support health care reform legislation and policy proposals that emphasize choice and independence, rather than institutionalization.
- 5.1.3. We support providing full and appropriate care for the mentally ill, including the prison population.
- 5.1.4. We support ensuring in-patient care for patients on a long-term basis.
- 5.1.5. We support a single payer system with preventive care for all.

#### 5.2. Reform

5.2.1. We endorse continued federal support of Medicaid and oppose transferring further control and responsibility of these programs to the states.

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- 5.2.2. We support modification of the current Pharmaceutical Patent process to resolve problems with monopolistic control, and exorbitant pricing of needed drugs.
- 5.2.3. We support women's access to health care by Patient Protection and Affordable Health Care Act and oppose government regulation of women's unfettered access to birth control and other health care decisions.
- 5.2.4. We support people's rights, men and women, to make their own choices on health care issues.
- 5.2.5. We resolve that no private employer or insurance company shall deny coverage for contraceptive health care to any person.
- 5.2.6. We support the concept of community choice in long term care programs and pledge to ensure that health care reform legislation and policy proposals emphasize choice and independence rather than institutionalization.
- 5.2.7. We support the full funding and implementation of the Patient Protection and Affordable Health Care Act.

## 5.3. Public Option

- 5.3.1. We support the Affordable Care Act and all of its provisions. It should continue to be the law of the land.
- 5.4. Tort Reform
- 5.5. Pay
- 5.6. **GMOs** 
  - 5.6.1. We support the labeling and regulation of genetically modified ingredients in food and consumer products.
  - 5.6.2. We believe that any product with GMOs cannot be labeled as "natural".

# 6. Energy

- 6.1. Cost Disclosure
- 6.2. Energy Use
- 6.3. Renewable
  - 6.3.1. Whereas, energy independence will benefit national security, and Whereas, clean energy will make Colorado and the world more livable, therefore,
    - Be it resolved, we support America's transition to a renewable, clean energy economy through increased production of all renewable energy sources.
  - 6.3.2. We support continuing to raise the Colorado public utilities' renewable energy standard.

#### 6.4. Efficiency

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#### 6.5. Nuclear

## 7. Environment

#### 7.1. Water

7.1.1. Given our reliance on ground water, we support responsible water use in our community and solutions to secure a sustainable, renewable water supply for the future.

#### 7.2. Cars

7.2.1. We support the requirement for higher MPG and lower emissions in all passenger vehicles.

## 7.3. Recycling

## 7.4. Mining

#### 7.5. Wildlife

- 7.5.1. Whereas, Colorado provides unmatched natural, scenic, recreational, and economic opportunities for present and future generations

  Be it resolved, we strongly support legislation, proposed and introduced, to permanently protect wild lands and wildlife, including Senator Mark Udall's Brown's Canyon and Central Mountain proposals, Rep Polis's summit and Eagle County Wilderness bill, Rep DeGette's Colorado Wilderness Act of 2010, and the proposed San Juan Wilderness bill and the Hermosa Creek Wilderness bill.
- 7.5.2. We support an Animal Bill of Rights that protects animals, including humane treatment and humane slaughter.
- 7.5.3. We support the reintroduction of wolves to Rocky Mountain National Park.

#### 7.6. Fracking

- 7.6.1. We support a statewide ban on fracking until the water requirements, the effects on underground water, air quality, and soil quality, and other adverse consequences are determined to be without environmental degradation.
- 7.6.2. We support requiring full disclosure to the public of all chemicals used in the fracking process.
- 7.6.3. We support independent research into the possible environmental and human impacts of fracking.
- 7.6.4. We support independent testing and monitoring of the fracking industry.

# 7.7. Climate Change

- 7.7.1. We believe that climate change is real and is caused by humans.
- 7.7.2. We support the protection of the environment and we believe that immediate action should be taken to combat current, and to prevent further, climate change.

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7.7.3. We support the conservation of our planet, not only in the United States, but throughout the world. Clean air, water, and a balanced, healthy ecosystem are central to current and future generations.

## 7.8. Alternate Energy Sources

- 7.8.1. We support investigation, research, and implementation of all forms of renewable sources of energy.
- 7.8.2. Continue solar power tax credit(s).

# 8. Agriculture

# 9. Jobs and Economy

# 9.1. NAFTA / Trade / Transpacific Partnership

- 9.1.1. We support the review of all existing trade agreements to ensure that our trade partners are living up to their labor and environmental obligations and that the trade agreements are enforceable and balanced for America's workers.
- 9.1.2. We oppose fast track authority for any trade agreements.

## 9.2. Job Creation

9.2.1. We support job creation and economic recovery.

## 9.3. Infrastructure

- 9.3.1. We believe that infrastructure projects should be funded for economic development.
- 9.3.2. We support committing adequate funding and incentives for an infrastructure fund—to rebuild the nation's roads, bridges, highways, lightrail, train, etc.

## 9.4. Labor

9.4.1. Be it resolved that working people be afforded the dignity of basic protections in the course of making a living, including but not limited to:
 Anyone who does a fair day's work deserves a fair day's pay with adequate benefits, rights to organize, and a safe working environment.
 We support the right of workers to a safe and healthy workplace through collective bargaining, training, and education, and adequate funding for enforcement of all state and federal safety laws, freedom from emotional, legal, physical, and political coercion when exercising rights to assemble and organize, bargain collectively over wages and working conditions, or seeking to have dues and political contributions deducted from their paychecks; and we believe these rights must extend to all public sector workers, including but not limited to: emergency medical responders, firefighters, law enforcement officers, and safety and security personnel.
We advocate guaranteeing a safe and healthy workplace for all workers by

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maintaining adequate funding for Occupational Safety and Health

Administration, the Federal Railroad Administration, the Federal Aviation Administration, the National Labor Relations Board, the Mine Safety and Health Administration and other similar agencies. This funding would be for both enforcement and training.

We support strict enforcement of child labor laws.

We support legislation preventing courts and bankruptcy laws being used to abrogate labor contracts and pension obligations.

We support the Fair Labor Standards Act and oppose exempting more workers from its protection or the weakening of provisions that provide for and define coverage for non-exempt employees.

We call for the repeal of the requirement for a super majority vote in the Colorado Labor Peace Act as it negatively impacts the right of workers to exercise their collective bargaining rights.

We oppose restrictions upon the rights of employers and workers to collectively negotiate union security provisions.

We support the principle that Colorado citizens should receive the benefits of Colorado state construction and procurement contracts through the use of incentives whereby state contractors are encouraged to hire Colorado workers. We support the principle that consumer credit information NOT be used for employment purposes.

We oppose the "right to work" legislation, which restricts worker's rights to organize and collectively bargain for fair wages and working conditions. We support state prevailing wage legislation that includes off-site project fabrication, a living wage, and we also support the federal Davis-Bacon Act. We oppose privatization of postal services, or any federal, state, or local government service, as part of general opposition to any anti-worker initiatives or legislation proposed in Colorado or at the national level.

We support that Colorado Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) should remain a defined benefit plan, directed by a board elected by the participants.

We support Colorado State Employee protections currently provided for in the state constitution, including provisions for veterans' preference in hiring. We support the payment of extended unemployment benefits during times of high unemployment.

We oppose the use of foreign sweatshop labor as morally reprehensible with uncompetitive impacts on the US.

We support the repeal of the exclusion of agricultural workers, including warehouse workers to organize as is currently written in Colorado law. We support the concept of full-time permanent employment with health care and pension benefits as a solution to the current economic downturn and minimizing the use of contract employment.

# 9.5. Training

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9.5.1. We support funding for job training with free child care during training to reduce welfare rolls.

#### 9.6. WIC

9.6.1. We support increased funding to this program.

#### 9.7. School Lunch Subsidies

9.7.1. We support increased funding to this program.

## 9.8. Unemployment Insurance

9.8.1. We support increased funding to this program.

# 9.9. Food Stamps / SNAP

9.9.1. We support increased funding to this program.

## 9.10. Parental Leave

9.10.1. We support a paid parental leave program for all Coloradoans.

# 10. Taxation and Fiscal Policy

**10.1.** Whereas, our current policies result in more and more wealth concentrated in the hands of fewer and fewer people, and

Whereas, excessive disparity of wealth tends to undermine democracy, and Whereas, we wish to avoid any extreme situation in which confiscating property from the rich and redistributing it to the poor will become more appealing, therefore Be it resolved that we favor more progressive tax rates, more equitable executive compensation, and such other policies eventually produce a wealth distribution.

10.2. We resolve that trickle-down economics is a failed policy.

#### 10.3. Marijuana

10.3.1. We support amending banking laws to allow cannabis transactions to take place via checks and credit cards.

## 10.4. Limit War Money

10.5. Welfare

#### 10.6. Bank Industry

- 10.6.1. We support the Dodd-Frank bill regulating financial institutions.
- 10.6.2. We support the reinstatement of Glass-Stegeall Act that separates banking functions
- 10.6.3. We support an increase in oversight of the Federal Reserve.

## 10.7. Social Security

10.7.1. We support removing the cap and raising the amount of earned income subject to Social Security and Medicare taxes.

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- 10.7.2. We oppose a decrease in benefits for Medicare and Social Security.
- 10.7.3. We oppose any and all attempts to discontinue and/or to privatize Social Security.
- 10.7.4. We oppose the manipulation of the cost of living adjustment for determining Social Security benefits.
- 10.7.5. We support paying Medicare providers fair prices for services.

## 10.7.6. Boost Social Security Now

Whereas: Social Security is the major source of income for most of America's elderly with 46% of retirees depending on Social Security for 90% or more of their income and an average monthly benefit of just \$1,290.

Whereas: The annual Social Security cost of living allowance for beneficiaries has averaged just over 1% over the past five years, with a zero increase for two of those years.

Whereas: Health care costs make up a large percentage of seniors' expenses with Americans facing an estimated \$220,000 in medical bills in retirement. Whereas: Social Security is the nation's largest program for disabled workers, providing 8.9 million with benefits and the nation's largest children's program serving 4.4 million children.

Whereas: Social Security will be especially important to future generations, including the Recession Generation facing income loss, diminished net worth, and high unemployment during their vital income earning years, all of which impacts their retirement.

Whereas: American families spend \$816 billion in Social Security benefits nationwide each year, providing vital economic stimulus to local businesses and state economies they wouldn't have without Social Security.

Whereas: Our economic debate should include review of provisions which boost Social Security benefits, adopt the more accurate consumer price index for the elderly (CPI-E) and increase the minimum benefit formula. This benefit improvement could be paid for by lifting the payroll wage cap.

Be it Resolved: Congress should boost Social Security now to protect the economic security of millions of American families.

Be it Resolved: We recognize that the long-term sustainability of the Social Security program is vitally important.

Be it Resolved: Action needs to be taken to ensure the long-term sustainability of Social Security.

#### 10.8. Interest Rate

#### 10.9. Tax Rate

- 10.9.1. We support giving tax incentives to green clean energy and dropping those for fossil fuels.
- 10.9.2. We support establishing a carbon tax and dividend.

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#### 10.10. Youth Debt

10.10.1. We support the establishment of a national Service Program to help young people clear their college debt in exchange for service.

## 10.11. Minimum Wage

10.11.1. We support a federal, living minimum wage that will increase with inflation at the State level, rather than waiting for the federal government to act.

# 10.12. Affordable Housing

- 10.12.1. We support an increase in funding for affordable housing.
- 10.12.2. We support extending and expanding federal low income tax credits.

#### 11. Growth

# 12. Criminal Justice

## 12.1. Age

- 12.1.1. We support and promote juvenile clemency boards.
- 12.1.2. Reform the juvenile justice system by first raising the age of a child subject to delinquency petitions to age 12.

#### 12.2. Firearms

- 12.2.1. We support laws allowing university regents to ban firearms on campus.
- 12.2.2. We resolve to extend current exemptions to state law that prohibits the carrying of concealed weapons at universities and colleges.
- 12.2.3. We oppose cultural institutions being required by state law to permit the carrying of concealed weapons on their premises.
- 12.2.4. We support a ban on being open carry firearms.
- 12.2.5. We support an assault weapons ban.
- 12.2.6. We support existing limits on magazines for firearms.
- 12.2.7. We support universal background checks, without exceptions.
- 12.2.8. We oppose any form of the "stand your ground" law in Colorado and nationally.
- 12.2.9. We support tighter regulation and the limitation of the sale of guns on the internet and at gun shows.
- 12.2.10. We support extensive background checks / training / licensing for all gun owners/purchasers, including using registered gun numbers on every gun.

## 12.3. Congress

12.3.1. We resolve that Congress shall make no law that applies to the citizens of the United States that does not apply equally to the Senators and Representatives;

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and, Congress shall make no law that applies to the Senators and Representatives that does not apply equally to the citizens of the United States.

# 12.4. Death Penalty

12.4.1. Whereas, the death penalty diverts millions of dollars a year of state resources into an arbitrary, unreliable, wasteful, and unnecessary capital punishment system, and

Whereas, the death penalty does not deter crime, and

Whereas, our communities require the best protection, and

Whereas, in the state of Colorado, a sentence of life without the possibility of parole is, in all cases, preferable to a sentence of death,

Be it Resolved, that we support a state-wide conversation about abolishing the death penalty.

# 13. Military and Veterans

### 13.1. Vote

13.1.1. Whereas we value US military service,

Be it resolved that we oppose the deportation of veterans of all conflicts/wars.

## 13.2. Privatization / Funding

13.2.1. Be it resolved that we categorically oppose the privatization and corporatization of the military.

#### 13.3. Transition

13.3.1. We support funding transition counseling, job training, job placement assistance, physical and medical health funding for veterans upon termination of service.

## 13.4. Support

13.4.1. We support expediting the processing of veterans' records.

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