

## **RESOLUTION OF THE CAMPBELL COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY CONCERNING THE INFRINGEMENT OF OUR SECOND AMENDMENT RIGHTS**

**“A well-regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed.” – 2nd Amendment to the US Constitution**

WHEREAS, the Bill of Rights protects the people’s rights from tyranny of the government and the majority, AND

WHEREAS, the Second Amendment protects a non-negotiable inalienable natural right to keep and bear *arms*, AND

WHEREAS, the Republican Party platform explicitly supports the Second Amendment and opposes gun control, AND

WHEREAS, the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act contained unconstitutional gun control, including support for red flag laws, AND

WHEREAS, red flag laws are a dangerous violation of the Second Amendment and the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments’ right to due process, AND

WHEREAS, every major gun-rights group opposed the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act, including the NRA, Gun Owners of America, and the National Association of Gun Rights, AND

WHEREAS, Senator Mitch McConnell led a group of 15 Republican Senators to join with the Democrats to pass this dangerous and unconstitutional gun control legislation, AND

WHEREAS, more than 2/3rds of the Senate Republican Caucus opposed this dangerous and unconstitutional gun control legislation, AND

WHEREAS, more than 9/10ths of the House Republican Caucus opposed this dangerous and unconstitutional gun control legislation, AND

WHEREAS, Senator Mitch McConnell was the only Republican member of Kentucky’s congressional delegation to support this dangerous and unconstitutional gun control, AND

WHEREAS, there is no excuse for any elected Republican to work with Democrats to undermine our constitutional rights, NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Campbell County Republican Party hereby formally censures Senator Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, calls for his resignation as Senate Republican Leader, and shall cease any and all support of him as a Republican.

Adopted this October 20, 2022 at a regular meeting of the Campbell County, Kentucky, Republican Party.

WHEREAS, Kentucky Secretary of State Michael Adams, who leads the state's board of elections, has been launching a public wave of gratuitous, ad hominem attacks against six Republican candidates who have filed legitimate requests for primary recounts of the paper ballots, stating, among other things, the candidates are a [quote] "motley crew of candidates," they are not "real Republicans," they "are all anti-government people," they are "conspiracy theorists," they are "trying to misuse a recount law that's designed for close elections... just to create havoc... to undermine our democracy... to make it harder for government to function," "this is just part of their mentality ... they just want to create discord," and they "want to watch the world burn"; AND

WHEREAS, Michael Adams, a high-ranking Republican officeholder, should be held to account for publicly disparaging anyone, especially fellow Republicans, who have taken it upon themselves, at great sacrifice of personal time and expense, to attempt to achieve openness and true voter integrity on behalf of all citizens in the Commonwealth; AND

WHEREAS, KRS 120.095 Recount of primary contains no requirement that a primary election be close in order for a candidate voted for in a primary to request a primary recount; AND

WHEREAS, KRS 120.095 mandates that once a candidate voted for in a primary has filed a timely petition for recount and executed a bond with approved surety for the costs of the recount, the recount shall proceed; AND

WHEREAS, Bridgette Ehly's request for recount is in full compliance with KRS 120.095; AND WHEREAS, Michael Adams, a duly elected official overseeing elections and bound by Kentucky election law, has publicly stated, "I have no problem with people putting up the money and paying for the recount," and "We'll do the recount if they pony up the money," and "Whether you should follow the law or not is not an ideological issue;" AND

WHEREAS, Michael Adams, a duly elected official overseeing elections and bound by Kentucky election law, hypocritically and deliberately continues to shirk his duty, flout the law, and abuse public trust by refusing to comply with the mandate set forth in KRS 120.095 because of his personal beliefs about the law and the petitioners; AND

WHEREAS, Michael Adams, a duly elected official overseeing elections, is hampering Kentucky candidates' and citizens' ability to determine if the election was conducted, and if the machines operated, with the highest integrity and accurateness; AND

WHEREAS, Michael Adams' actions and words fly in the face of public transparency, and either reflects a lack of confidence in recent machine tallies or reflects there is something to hide, and is an abuse of office by a public servant contrary to the public interest;

BE IT RESOLVED, The Campbell County Republican Party censures Secretary of State Michael Adams for his false, defamatory and gratuitous allegations and statements, for deliberately denying the legal rights of candidates, for deliberately shirking his duty, for deliberately casting doubt upon the integrity of future elections, for deliberately abusing the public's trust in his office, and for deliberately refusing to follow the law as written because of his own personal beliefs about the law and the petitioners.

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