



# **YOUNG REPUBLICAN NATIONAL FEDERATION RESOLUTIONS**

SATURDAY, JULY 8, 2006 CLEVELAND, OHIO

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## **Resolution to Support the Passage of the Children's Safety and Violent Crime Reduction Act of 2005**

WHEREAS, The Act is currently pending legislation in the United States Congress; and

WHEREAS, The Act improves the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Program to ensure that sex offenders register and keep current where they reside, work and attend school; and

WHEREAS, The Act requires quarterly verification, in-person verification and regular notarized verification mailings; and

WHEREAS, The Act requires public access to state websites; and

WHEREAS, The Act creates the Dru Sjodin National Sex Offender Public Website to search for sex offender information in each community; and

WHEREAS, The Act expands terms to include juvenile sex offenders; and

WHEREAS, The Act requires states to notify one another when a sex offender moves from one state to another; and

WHEREAS, The Act expands sex offenses covered by registration and notification requirements to include military, tribal, foreign and sex crimes and increase the duration of registration requirements to protect the public; and

WHEREAS, The Act expands community notification requirements to include active efforts to inform law enforcement agencies, schools, public housing, social service agencies and volunteer organizations in areas where sex offenders reside, work or attend school; and

WHEREAS, The Act creates a new criminal penalty of a maximum of 20 years incarceration for sex offenders who refuse to comply with registration requirements; and

WHEREAS, The Act protects foster children from sexual abuse and exploitation;

WHEREAS, The Act is supported by the Jessica Marie Lunsford Foundation which was created as a result of Jessica Marie Lunsford's tragic and brutal death at the hands of violent and dangerous sexual predator that was released early and not tracked; and

WHEREAS, one of the most important functions of a society ruled by law is the protection of its citizens; and

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## **Sex Offenders, continued from page2**

WHEREAS the heinousness of these crimes and the lost innocence caused to children warrant a stiffer, more severe penalty; and

WHEREAS we need to protect the children of the United States by putting violent sexual predator behind bars for a long time; and

WHEREAS we need to protect the children of the United States by tracking violent sexual predators once they are released and make that information available to the public;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Young Republican National Federation supports the effort of those in the United States Congress to pass the Children's Safety and Violent Crime Reduction Act of 2005, and strongly encourages the rest of Congress to immediately cause passage of The Act; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Young Republican National Federation commends those states who have or are in the process of adopting Jessica's laws or something similar, and strongly encourages states who have neglected to protect their children to immediately work towards stiffer penalties for violent sexual predators and to track those predators once released.



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## Recognition of YRs Serving in the Armed Forces

WHEREAS, the Young Republican National Federation (YRNF) recognizes that service in the United States military requires honor, sacrifice, character, and bravery; and

WHEREAS, an essential portion of the mission of the YRNF is to encourage awareness and participation in the political process at all levels of government throughout the United States of America and its Territories; and

WHEREAS, members of the YRNF have served admirably in the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, the YRNF wishes to recognize the accomplishments and service of all of its members who have served these United States in its Armed Forces, including:

Sammy Roth of the District of Columbia  
Jesse Purdon of Florida and Michigan  
Maj. William Bradley Carver of Georgia  
Maj. Robert Houghteling of Georgia  
Cpl. Ruben Meastre of Georgia  
Michael Shelnutt of Georgia  
Matt Smargesse of Illinois  
First Lt. Toby Johnson of Indiana  
Capt Roger Woods of Kansas  
Maj. James Martin of Kentucky  
Chad Rager of Kentucky  
Lt. Commander Eric Vetter of Kentucky  
Capt Richard S. Danielson of Louisiana  
Maj. Bubba Deckert of Louisiana  
Maj. Edward Morris Gray of Louisiana  
Kim Collins of Maryland  
Cpl. Mark D. Kidd of Michigan  
Jennifer Berry of New York  
Kyung "KC" Choi of New York  
Michael DiMartino of New York  
Mark Fang of New York

Kevin Meislin of New York  
Jeremy Schwartz of New York  
Dan Van Wagenen of New York  
Matt Basik of Ohio  
Jason Dominguez of Ohio  
Capt. Brian Smith of Ohio  
State Senator Steve Stivers of Ohio  
Phil Van Truen of Ohio  
Seth Benae of Pennsylvania  
Steven Fischer of Pennsylvania  
Jason Frankenfield of Pennsylvania  
Maj. Kevin Kelly of Pennsylvania  
SSGT Jonathan Jenkins of Pennsylvania  
Nick Miccarrelli of Pennsylvania  
Daniel Pritchard of Pennsylvania  
Jason Seacrist of Pennsylvania  
Howie Acuff of Tennessee  
Joe Baker of Tennessee  
Lance Frizzell of Tennessee  
J. Paul Knight of Texas  
J. Shane Howard of Texas

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Young Republican National Federation formally recognizes, acknowledges and commends these individuals for their selfless service to the United States of America.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Young Republican National Federation also recognizes, acknowledges and commends the many brave men and women who could not be specifically named.



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## **Resolution for the Immediate and Permanent Repeal of the Federal Death Tax**

WHEREAS, under tax relief legislation passed in 2001, the Federal Inheritance Tax, or death tax, was temporarily phased out but not permanently eliminated;

WHEREAS, farmers and other small business owners will face losing their farms and businesses if the federal government resumes the heavy taxation of citizens at death;

WHEREAS, it is the highest rate of tax in our tax code [46%], it is a tax on assets that have already been taxed-at least twice and it is a tax on savings instead of spending;

WHEREAS, the current repeal does not occur until 2010 and then only occurs for one year, therefore families cannot plan for any reduction or elimination of this death tax;

WHEREAS, employees suffer layoffs when small and medium businesses are liquidated to pay death taxes;

WHEREAS, family owned businesses generate about 60 percent of our gross national product and, in the last decade, accounted for an increase of more than 20 million private sector jobs;

WHEREAS, if the death tax had been repealed in 1996, the United States economy would have realized billions of dollars each year in extra output and an average of 145,000 additional new jobs would have been created; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Young Republican National Federation urges the U.S. Congress to support, work to pass, and vote for the immediate and permanent repeal of the federal death tax.



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## **Resolution in Support of Parental Notification Laws**

WHEREAS, the Young Republican National Federation Platform states that “We join the President in supporting crisis pregnancy programs and parental notification laws;” and

WHEREAS, in many states a parent or legal guardian must sign an authorization form before a person under 18 years of age can obtain even the most minor medical procedure; and

WHEREAS, the Young Republican National Federation recognizes the need to protect those in abusive situations; and

WHEREAS, minors in abusive situations need help and a way out; and

WHEREAS, in the case of rape or incest, there can be nothing crueler than to hide the crimes by providing a victim with a quiet abortion and then sending her back to be victimized again; and

WHEREAS, an administrative bypass with the a state’s Department of Human Services or equivalent agency can help a girl safely expose those who have harmed her and protect her; and

WHEREAS, an administrative bypass should ensure that all bypass hearings be private and all communication confidential; and

WHEREAS, parental notification laws have already been upheld by the Supreme Court of the United States when the administrative bypass provision is included; and

WHEREAS, the Young Republican National Federation recognizes the need to protect minors in medical emergencies; and

WHEREAS, in the case of a medical emergency, where notification is not possible, the person performing the abortion may forgo the notification requirements. However, the medical emergency must be documented in the minor’s medical record;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Young Republican National Federation hereby fully supports this form of parental notification law, and strongly encourages states that do not have this form of parental notification law to cause passage of such laws immediately.



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## Commending Former Georgia Young Republican National Committeeman Steve Schultz

WHEREAS, Steve Schultz has served the Georgia Federation of Young Republicans and the Young Republican National Federation in various elected and appointed positions; and

WHEREAS, having aged-out of the Young Republicans, Steve Schultz has offered himself as a candidate for the Eighty-Second State House District of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, while going door-to-door for said office, Steve Schultz witnessed a home burglary in progress; and

WHEREAS, Steve Schultz aided the homeowner and police in chasing down on foot and by car and apprehending the criminal without regard to his own personal safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE YOUNG REPUBLICAN NATIONAL FEDERATION that the members of this body join to commend Steve Schultz on his exemplary act of bravery.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Young Republican National Federation is authorized and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Steve Schultz.