

OREGON

RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE SEATING OF THE OFFICIAL DEMOCRATIC
DELEGATION FROM MISSISSIPPI TO THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL
CONVENTION.

WHEREAS the Democratic Party of the State of Mississippi stands in categoric opposition to the Kennedy-Johnson domestic program; and,

WHEREAS the Democratic Party of Mississippi has indicated that it will not support the candidacy of Lyndon Johnson for the Presidency; and,

WHEREAS the Democratic Party of Mississippi has endorsed the "unpledged electors" scheme which could award the Presidential election to a 'States Rights' Republican candidate; and,

WHEREAS the Democratic Party of Mississippi has given aid and comfort to the campaign of the avowed segregationist from Alabama, Governor George Wallace; and,

WHEREAS the official Democratic delegation from Mississippi to the Democratic National Convention will represent the position of the Democratic Party of Mississippi;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Democratic Party of Oregon opposes the seating of the official Democratic delegation to the National Convention from Mississippi; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Democratic Party of Oregon joins the Democratic Parties of Wisconsin, Michigan, New York, and other states and endorses the seating of the bi-racial "Freedom Delegation" from Mississippi to the National Convention; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Convention strongly urges the Oregon delegation to the Democratic National Convention to adopt this position.

Oregon Democratic Party State Convention
Coos Bay, Oregon
July 3-5, 1964

MASSACHUSETTS

Resolution adopted by the Massachusetts Democratic State Convention,
meeting in Springfield, Massachusetts, June 19-21, 1964

BE IT RESOLVED: that the delegation of the Massachusetts Democratic
Party to the National Democratic Convention oppose the seating of
any delegation or a state democratic party which opposes the plat-
form and candidates of the National Democratic Party.

MINNESOTA

RESOLUTION ON THE MISSISSIPPI DELEGATION TO THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION.

WHEREAS: The traditional Democratic Party of Mississippi is a totally segregated party which does not permit hundreds of thousands of Negro citizens in Mississippi to vote or otherwise participate in its affairs; and

WHEREAS: The traditional Democratic Party of Mississippi did not support the 1960 platform or candidates of the national Democratic Party and now proclaims that it is not a part of the national Democratic Party, and

WHEREAS: A Freedom Democratic Party is being established in Mississippi which is open to all citizens regardless of race and is committed to support the national platform and candidates; and

WHEREAS: The Freedom Democratic Party is seeking to seat its delegates to the 1964 Democratic National Convention in place of the delegates from the traditional Democratic Party of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota welcomes this opportunity to demonstrate its devotion to justice and equal rights for all citizens regardless of race, creed, color or national origin.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this convention urges the Minnesota delegation to the forthcoming Democratic National Convention:

1. To take all appropriate action to prevent the seating of the delegates from the traditional Democratic Party of Mississippi.
2. To consider the request to seat the delegates of the Freedom Democratic Party with sympathy and in the light of all the facts that will be presented to the Credentials Committee of the Democratic National Convention.
3. To follow the same policy if the credentials of any other state delegation are challenged on the grounds on which the Mississippi delegation will be challenged.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution shall be sent to the members of the Democratic National Committee, its Chairman and to the Chairman of each State Democratic Party.

Adopted unanimously
Minnesota Democratic State Convention
June 28, 1964
St. Paul, Minnesota

NEW YORK

RESOLUTION OF THE
NEW YORK STATE DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE

- WHEREAS: as Democrats and as members of the National Democratic Party, we believe that the national convention, the governing body of the Democratic Party, should consist only of delegates devoted to the principles and objectives of the Party and who are duly elected by members of the Party, and
- WHEREAS: the present Democratic Party of some states publicly stated that they are independent of the National Democratic Party and that they do not support the policies and platform of the National Democratic Party or the Party itself; and that they oppose the principles, candidates and objectives of the National Party; and,
- WHEREAS: the present Democratic Party in certain states has systematically prevented Democrats, who happen to be Negroes, from voting in the Party primaries and from electing delegates to the Democratic National Convention and, therefore, has no properly elected delegates,
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Credentials Committee of the New York State Delegation at the Democratic National Convention shall exercise every effort to make certain that only those delegates who are pledged to the principles, and objectives of the National Democratic Party as expressed in the Party platform be seated as representing their state Party.

June 15, 1964

Motion presented by: Sylvia Hunter, State
Committee Woman, 7th AD Manhattan

Motion seconded by: Ray Guenter, 3rd AD,
Manhattan; and John English, Nassau
County.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

RESOLUTION ON BEHALF OF SEATING OF
MISSISSIPPI FREEDOM DEMOCRATIC PARTY DELEGATION

WHEREAS: the traditional Democratic Party of Mississippi is undemocratically constituted in that it discriminates against large numbers of citizens; and,

WHEREAS: the traditional Democratic Party of Mississippi does not support the platform and policies of the National Democratic Party and often asserts that it is not a part of the National Democratic Party; and,

WHEREAS: A Freedom Democratic Party is being established in the state of Mississippi which is open to all citizens regardless of race and which will support the national platform and candidates; and,

WHEREAS: The Freedom Democratic Party plans to seek to be seated in place of the delegation from the traditional Democratic Party of Mississippi at the 1964 Democratic National Convention;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Democratic Central Committee for the District of Columbia instruct the District of Columbia Democratic Delegation at the forthcoming national convention to take all appropriate action to seat the delegates from the Freedom Democratic Party of Mississippi, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That this same policy applies to other states in which challenges by similar representative and loyal groups of Democrats may develop, and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED: That copies of this resolution be sent to Chairman John Bailey, members of the Democratic National Committee and State Chairman.

Democratic Central Committee for the
District of Columbia
July 6, 1964

COLORADO

WHEREAS, the traditional Democratic Parties of Mississippi and other states are undemocratically constituted because they systematically discriminate against large numbers of citizens, contrary to the basic principals of the National Democratic Party; and

WHEREAS, the Democratic Party of the State of Mississippi stands in categorical opposition to the Kennedy-Johnson domestic program; and

WHEREAS, the Democratic Party of Mississippi has indicated it will not support the candidacy of Lyndon Johnson for the Presidency; and

WHEREAS, the Democratic Party of Mississippi has endorsed the "unpledged electors" scheme which could award the presidential election to a 'State's Rights' or Republican candidate; and

WHEREAS, the Democratic Party of Mississippi has given aid and comfort to the campaigns of the avowed segregationist from Alabama, Governor George Wallace;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE 1964 COLORADO DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

That discrimination against minority groups in the Democratic Party of Mississippi or any other state is hereby condemned in the strongest possible terms; and

That the Colorado delegation to the 1964 Democratic National Convention make every effort possible to cause to be seated only delegations selected through democratic, non-discriminatory procedures, and which are truly representative of party organizations open to all citizens, regardless of race creed, or national origin and thoroughly investigate the possibility of seating the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party; and

FURTHERMORE, WHEREAS, in certain states plans exist to select uninstruted presidential electors, although congressional representatives from those states will retain powerful positions in Congress because of the seniority system; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that once the Democratic Party has chosen its presidential and vice-presidential candidates, all Democrats should support these candidates and that failure to support these candidates should not be rewarded by continued possession of significant committee assignments in Congress

Democratic State Convention
July 18, 1964
Denver, Colorado

W I S C O N S I N

RESOLUTION REGARDING
MISSISSIPPI FREEDOM DEMOCRATIC PARTY

- WHEREAS: the Democratic Party of Wisconsin is firmly committed to the principle of one man one vote; and,
- WHEREAS: the Democratic Party of this state is committed through its platforms and candidates to actively strive for legislation that will ensure equality under the law for all citizens, and,
- WHEREAS: in certain states, such as Mississippi, delegates are elected by a non-representative white minority; and,
- WHEREAS: the official Democratic Party in certain states has not supported the national ticket or the national platform, particularly in regards to civil rights;
- THEREFORE: be it resolved that the Wisconsin delegation to the National Democratic Convention be urged to oppose the accrediting of those state delegations that are not loyal to the basic civil rights principles of the National Democratic Platform; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Wisconsin delegation to the Democratic National Convention be urged to support the accreditation of the "FREEDOM DELEGATION" as an expression of our support for the principle of one man one vote and to encourage those who are working for voter-registration of a disfranchised Negro minority.

Passed unanimously
Dane County Democrats
May, 1964

Adopted
Wisconsin State Democratic Convention
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
June 19-20, 1964

RESOLUTION ON
MISSISSIPPI FREEDOM DEMOCRATIC PARTY

- WHEREAS: the traditional Democratic Party of Mississippi is undemocratically constituted in that it discriminates against large numbers of citizens; and
- WHEREAS: the traditional Democratic Party of Mississippi does not support the platform and policies of the National Democratic Party and often asserts that it is not a part of the National Democratic Party and,
- WHEREAS: A Freedom Democratic Party is being established in the State of Mississippi which is open to all citizens regardless of race and which will support the national platform and candidates; and
- WHEREAS: The Freedom Democratic Party plans to seek to be seated in place of the delegation from the traditional Democratic Party of Mississippi at the 1964 Democratic National Convention; Now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED: That this Convention instructs the Michigan delegation at the forthcoming national convention to take all appropriate action to seat the delegates from the Freedom Democratic Party of Mississippi, and be it
- FURTHER RESOLVED: That this same policy applies to other states in which challenges by similar representative and loyal groups of Democrats may develop, and
- BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED: That copies of this resolution be sent to Chairman John Bailey, members of the Democratic National Committee and State Chairmen.

Democratic Party State Convention
June 12-13, 1964
Lansing, Michigan

Mississippi

WHEREAS, the traditional Democratic Party of Mississippi is undemocratically constituted because it discriminates against large numbers of citizens; and

WHEREAS, the traditional democratic Party of Mississippi does not support the platform and policies of the national Democratic Party; and

WHEREAS, the traditional Democratic Party of Mississippi in 1960 did not support the nominees of the Democratic National Convention despite a pledge made at the convention by leaders of the Mississippi Democratic Party; and

WHEREAS, a Freedom Democratic Party is being established in the state of Mississippi which is open to all citizens regardless of race, which will support the national platform and candidates, and which is being sponsored by a coalition of civil rights and liberal organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Freedom Democratic Party plans to seek to be seated in place of the delegation from the traditional Democratic Party of Mississippi at the 1964 Democratic National Convention;

Now therefore be it resolved that the 1964 California Democratic Council convention urge the California delegation at the forthcoming national convention to take all appropriate action to seat the delegates from the Freedom Democratic Party of Mississippi if they should petition for credentials and to deny credentials to the delegates from the traditional Democratic Party of Mississippi.

This resolution was adopted unanimously by the 2,600 delegates to the California Democratic Council meeting in Long Beach, Feb. 21-23. Introduced to the resolutions committee by George Ballis of Fresno and carried there by Claude Hurst of Fresno & Beberly Axelrod of San Francisco.

WASHINGTON STATE

Resolution of the WASHINGTON STATE DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE

- WHEREAS:** as Democrats and as members of the National Democratic Party, we believe that the national convention, the governing body of the Democratic Party, should consist only of delegates devoted to the principles and objectives of the Party and who are duly elected by members of the the Party, and
- WHEREAS:** the present Democratic Party of some states publicly stated that they are independent of the National Democratic Party and that they do not support the policies and platform of the National Democratic Party or the Party itself; and that they oppose the principles, candidates, and objectives of the National Party; and,
- WHEREAS:** the present Democratic Party in certain states has systematically prevented Democrats, who happen to be Negroes, from voting in the Party primaries and from electing delegates to the Democratic National Convention and, therefore, has no properly elected delegates,
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Credentials Committee of the Washington State Delegation at the Democratic National Convention shall exercise every effort to make certain that only those delegates who are pledged to the principles, and objectives of the National Democratic Party as expressed in the Party platform be seated as representing their state Party.

July 27, 1964

Proposed unanimously at the
State Committee Meeting in Walla
Walla on July 26, 1964

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VIRGINIA

RESOLUTION ON
MISSISSIPPI FREEDOM DEMOCRATIC PARTY

- WHEREAS: the controlling Democratic Party organization in the state of Mississippi has persistently followed a policy of race relations which is in direct contradiction to the policies of the National Democratic Party; and
- WHEREAS: the governor of Mississippi is under indictment by a federal court for implementing such policies in defiance of a court order; and
- WHEREAS: the present Mississippi delegation to the National Convention has made known that it has no intention of supporting President Johnson and the Democratic Party platform;
- RESOLVED: that the University of Virginia Young Democratic Club urges the seating of the Free Democratic delegation from Mississippi at the National Convention rather than the group headed by the governor of that state; and
- RESOLVED: that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

Young Democratic Club
University of Virginia
May 21, 1964