

Resolution on
Unpledged Delegates in the
Democratic Party Presidential Nominating Process

WHEREAS, the Democratic National Committee determines the rules of the nominating convention;

WHEREAS, the rules provide for unpledged delegates, sometimes called "superdelegates," who are not bound to the will of voters as expressed in caucuses and primary elections;

WHEREAS, these rules provide for such a large proportion of unpledged delegates that a candidate could be nominated who did not receive the most votes or delegates through caucuses or primary elections;

WHEREAS, many voters participating in the current process, many of them for the first time, view the practice as undemocratic and find it discouraging; and

WHEREAS, the future of the Democratic Party relies on the continued support of these voters;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Jefferson County Democrats call on Washington's Democratic National Committee members to advocate against the participation of unpledged delegates in presidential nominating processes of the party.

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