Resolution in Support of Referendum on HB2404

Whereas, HB2404 which was signed into law by Gov. Doug Ducey on March 23rd, 2017 and in its entirety represents an attack on direct democracy in the state of Arizona, and

Whereas, HB2404 restricts how petition circulators can be compensated for their work, and

Whereas, direct democracy as outlined in the Arizona Constitution Article IV, Part 1, Section 1 is a cherished principle for Arizona Democrats worth fighting for, and

Whereas, Article 8, Section 11 of the Arizona Democratic Party bylaws authorize this body to adopt an emergency resolution under certain conditions, and

Whereas, the urgency created by the short timeline for this referendum effort meets said criteria of Article 8, Section 11, Subsection B1 and Subsection B2.

Be it Therefore Resolved that the Arizona Democratic Party endorses the referendum R-01-2018 organized by Grassroots Citizen Concern Committee, and urges leaders and members at every level of our structure to act in support of the signature drive to refer HB2404 in its entirety to the people of Arizona.

Submitted by Scott Prior, Chair, LD 16