A Resolution in Support of Religious Freedom and Rights of Conscience

Text to include on your party’s resolution form:

“Be it resolved that the _________________ Party of Minnesota supports religious freedom and rights of conscience for private individuals, businesses and government officials.”

If you are asked to explain why the above language would strengthen your party’s platform, below are some talking points you may find helpful:

• Millions of Minnesotans believe marriage is the union of only one man and one woman and forcing them to promote, support or endorse same sex “marriage” would be a violation of their deeply held religious and conscientiously held beliefs.
• The Minnesota same-sex marriage law provides no religious freedom protections for private individuals, businesses and government officials.
• The Supreme Court also failed to provide religious freedom protections in Obergefell v. Hodges despite its recognizing the inherent religious freedom concerns raised by the decision.
• Minnesota Human Rights Commission says it will pursue charges against a business that “provides wedding services such as cake decorating, wedding planning or catering services.”
• Minnesotans should not be forced to violate their faith in order to earn a living.