

## **Resolution for Choice in Education in Alaska**

WHEREAS, Educational freedom is a fundamental right that encompasses the freedom of parents to choose the educational environment and approach that best meets the needs and values of their children, whether public, private, religious, or home-based education.

WHEREAS, it is important to provide a diverse range of educational options and opportunities, including traditional public schools, charter schools, private schools, homeschooling, online learning, and alternative educational models to accommodate the diverse learning styles, interests, and goals of students and families.

WHEREAS, it is vital to pass policies and initiatives that promote greater access and affordability of educational options for all families, regardless of income, geography, or background, including tuition assistance programs, scholarship opportunities, and tax credits for educational expenses.

WHEREAS, collaboration and partnership is necessary among public, private, and non-profit entities to enhance educational quality, innovation, and outcomes through initiatives such as public-private partnerships, school choice programs, and educational vouchers.

WHEREAS, barriers and restrictions that limit parental choice and educational freedom, including bureaucratic regulations, zoning laws, and funding disparities to empower families to make informed decisions about their children's education must be removed.

WHEREAS, the Alaska Republican understand the importance of promoting inclusivity, diversity, and equity in education by ensuring that educational options are accessible, and welcoming to all students, regardless of race ethnicity, religious, socioeconomic status, disability or language background.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Republican Party is firmly committed to advocating for and safeguarding freedom in education, and creating policies and regulations that allow for families to choose the best educational path for their child.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Party is committed to amending the constitution to allow for families to have an allotment of funding to be used in an educational environment that meets the needs and values of their children whether public, private, religious, or home-based education.