



# Clark County Republican Party

Las Vegas, Nevada



## CLARK COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY PLATFORM FOR 2008

### County

1. Individuals who are paid employees of the State, County, City or any of its political subdivisions shall not be permitted to receive salary or hourly wages from a State, County, City or any of its subdivisions during the legislative or special sessions if elected to the Nevada Legislature.

2. We support zero-based budgets for all levels of government and that all new or revised Clark County or City ordinances must include a fiscal note and require a cost-benefit analysis.

3. We support a revised system of property taxation that fairly reduces property tax bills whenever properties are re-assessed for a lower value and support a Senior Citizens Property Tax Deferral program which allows people on social security age or older, whose household incomes are \$100,000 or less, to defer a portion of their property tax.

4. We support the inalienable right to life of all persons from the moment of conception to their natural death and oppose human cloning. We support the development of adult stem cell research and we support all efforts to stop human trafficking.

5. We support English as the official language in all government offices as well as all printed forms and documents.

6. We respect the wisdom, knowledge and experience that our senior citizens provide our society; we encourage the residents of Clark County to support and care for our Senior Citizens.

7. We support an annual independent audit of all the finance and operations of the Clark County and the Clark County School District to ensure standardization and eliminate unnecessary expense.

8. We support civil and criminal sanctions for employers who knowingly hire illegal immigrants and support the vigorous enforcement of current immigration laws and support the requirement that positive identification be presented to vote in Clark County.

9. We support the importing of water from alternative sources outside Clark County other than Lake Mead and support steps to maintain and improve the water quality of Clark County.

10. We support term limits on all county elected officials.

11. We encourage improved education of our children through greater emphasis at home and in the classroom on family values such as responsibility, hard work, diligence, civics and ethics.

12. The Clark County Republican Party shall not provide support to any Republican candidate for any elected office who does not sign a pledge to support the Clark County Republican Platform.

**END**



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## State

### **Taxes and Spending**

1. Individuals who are paid employees of the State, County, City or any of its political subdivisions shall not be permitted to receive salary or hourly wages from a State, County, City or any of its subdivisions during the legislative or special sessions if elected to the Nevada Legislature.
2. We support zero-based budgeting for all levels of government.
3. We oppose any new taxes or fee increases.
4. We support a revised system of property taxation that fairly reduces property tax bills whenever properties are re-assessed for a lower value and support a Senior Citizens Property Tax Deferral program which allows people on social security age or older, whose household incomes are \$100,000 or less, to defer a portion of their property tax.

### **Limited Government**

5. We support the Nevada State Legislature to be more rigorous in the language of its laws so that they will more clearly define legislative intent to eliminate the opportunity for judicial interpretation of that intent.
6. We support a new law indicating that committees do not have the right to determine which bills are heard on the floor and that all bills be heard with an up or down vote.
7. We support a law requiring the State Ethics Commission to include a member from each county commission from all counties and requiring each member to abstain from any vote when such member is the representative from the county where the complaint originated.
8. As did President Reagan, We believe government has become too big and taxes too much, spends too loosely and regulates our lives too intrusively. We demand the return of government to traditional Republican fiscal

conservatism while preserving budgetary flexibility for state and local authorities.

9. We recognize that private property rights are fundamental to democracy and economic prosperity. We support the rights of private owners and oppose eminent domain actions that take private property for private benefit or use. In response to the *Kelo* decision, we call upon State legislators to pass legislation that prohibits the eminent domain taking of property for private benefit.

10. We support the elimination of Federal and State regulation that interferes with the exploration, drilling, extraction, research and development of natural energy resources in Nevada and incorporate solar, wind and other alternative energy sources.

11. We oppose Yucca Mountain development.

### **Pro Life**

12. We support the inalienable right to life of all persons from the moment of conception to their natural death and oppose human cloning. We support the development of adult stem cell research and we support all efforts to stop human trafficking

### **Immigration**

13. We welcome legal immigrants from all nations, cultures and races. We demand strict enforcement of all immigration laws by all levels of government. We support enforcement of immigration laws by state, local and federal law- enforcement agencies. We demand that the federal government secure our national borders. We oppose granting amnesty to illegal immigrants. We support the rule of law and the United States Constitution as it pertains to the Fourteenth Amendment and its explanation of citizenship.

14. We support civil and criminal sanctions for employers who hire illegal immigrants and support the vigorous enforcement of current immigration laws.



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15. We support English as the official language for the State of Nevada and the printing of government materials in English only.

## Education

16. We support a voucher system for parents who do not want their children in Public Schools provided that the schools are accredited like any other school in the state.

17. We encourage improved education for our children through greater emphasis at home and in the classroom on family values such as responsibility, hard work, diligence, civics and ethics.

18. We support funding for College of Southern Nevada to be fair and equitable.

## Family

19. We believe in a loving family unit where the parent (s) live in harmony in one home providing an ideal environment for raising children.

20. We support the Defense of Marriage Act, and support a constitutional amendment to ensure that marriage is limited to the union of one man and one woman.

## Elections

21. We support reasonable, compact, congressional districts and single-member legislature districts that do not split voters by race or party in accordance with the Nevada Constitution.

22. . We encourage our State legislature to consider a Primary process in lieu of a Caucus.

## Veterans

23. . We support a strong Veterans Administration Program to ensure that our veterans receive the care and support they were promised. We thank them for their service.

24. We believe all qualified, active, guard and reserve personnel, regardless of income, be provided medical care and benefits. Those benefits should not be revoked based on income caps.

## Patriotism

25. We recognize the importance of the national values expressed by our flag, anthem, Pledge of Allegiance and other patriotic symbols which define us as a nation.

## Individual Rights

26. . We affirm the Second Amendment right of individuals to keep and bear arms and support the repeal of all legislation infringing on these rights.

## Legislation

27. . We continue to support the legislative time limits of 120-day sessions every other year.

28. We oppose the collection and expenditure of dues or assessments by unions for political purposes without the annual written consent of its individual members.

29. We support repeal of the *Davis-Bacon* Act.

## Healthcare

30. We support meaningful healthcare reform, non-government funded to ensure comprehensive and affordable healthcare be available to all citizens who desire it.

31. We support a public/private community-based solution for mental health patients which provides continuity of treatment and community re-integration.

**END**



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## National

1. We support the elimination of Federal and State regulation that interferes with the exploration, drilling, extraction, research and development of natural energy resources in the United States and incorporate solar, wind and other alternative energy sources.
2. We support the elimination of the Death Tax.
3. We support English as the official language of the United States and the printing of government materials in English only.
4. We support the inalienable right to life of all persons from the moment of conception to their natural death and oppose human cloning. We support the development of adult stem cell research and we support all efforts to stop human trafficking.
5. We welcome legal immigrants from all nations, cultures and races. We demand strict enforcement of all immigration laws by all levels of government. We support enforcement of immigration laws by state, local and federal law enforcement agencies. We demand that the federal government secure our national borders. We oppose granting amnesty to illegal immigrants. We support the rule of law and the United States Constitution as it pertains to the Fourteenth Amendment and its explanation of citizenship.
6. We support splitting the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.
7. We affirm the Second Amendment right of individuals to keep and bear arms and support the repeal of all legislation infringing on these rights.
8. We support our President in all phases of the war against terrorism, including preventing rogue nations from having or obtaining weapons of mass destruction.
9. We oppose efforts to remove the recognition of God from our schools and from the Pledge of Allegiance.
10. We support repealing the Windfall Elimination Provision Act.

11. We support the Defense of Marriage Act, and support a constitutional amendment to ensure that marriage is limited to the union between one man and one woman.
12. We oppose earmark funds.
13. We support a strong national defense and advocate peace through strength.
14. We believe that the First Amendment to the Constitution was intended to prevent a state-sponsored religion rather than a separation of God from public life.
15. We support an Iraq policy that will bring victory and believe that an abrupt withdrawal will escalate to a dangerous regional war.
16. We support civil and criminal sanctions for employers who hire illegal immigrants and support the vigorous enforcement of current immigration laws.
17. We support the repeal of the *Davis-Bacon Act*.
18. We support a Presidential line item veto.
19. We oppose any income tax on social security benefits.
20. We oppose Yucca Mountain development.
21. We support meaningful healthcare reform, non-government funded to ensure comprehensive and affordable healthcare be available to all citizens who desire it.

**END**

## Committee Members:

**Terry Clodt, Chair**  
**Lee Barrett**  
**Tibi Ellis**  
**Didi Lima**  
**Jerry McElroy**  
**Kathleen Miller**  
**Michael Moriarty**  
**Richard Scotti**  
**Bruce Thompson**

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