

RESOLUTION OF THE PICKENS COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING DISAPPROVAL OF PARTICIPATION IN THE REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT PROJECT

The Protection of Health, Safety, and Welfare of the Citizens of Pickens County and South Carolina is paramount

WHEREAS the issue of resettlement of refugees from the Middle East is a matter of the most urgent concern, as it involves vital issues of national security, terrorism, public health, public safety, religious freedom, and immigration, and

WHEREAS these issues are of such great public importance that refugee resettlements should occur only after the issues involved are fully and publicly discussed, and after the will of the people of South Carolina is clearly established through legislative action, and

WHEREAS We have a federal government that is expanding a system of replacing American workers with foreign workers on H1B and H2B visas, and working toward creating a path for foreign college students to go from graduation to an instant green card, displacing American citizens who have graduated from college, and

WHEREAS South Carolina's Department of Social Services (DSS) is currently understaffed, underfunded, and becoming less capable of efficiently providing services to South Carolinians, and

WHEREAS the pattern of many Middle Eastern immigrants going straight to welfare and taxpayer funded social service providers is a burden on the programs established for the benefit of American citizens, and

WHEREAS South Carolina school districts must provide from their own budgets translators for non-English speaking refugee children at time when the South Carolina Legislature fails to fully provide Constitutionally mandated funding to the school districts.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Pickens County Republican Party Executive Committee calls upon all public officials, governmental, and non-governmental agencies to immediately cease and desist from all placement of refugees anywhere within the state of South Carolina, and to take all action necessary to ensure that neither state, federal, nor non-governmental agencies proceed with refugee resettlement until the people of South Carolina have spoken through their established legislative processes to establish a state public policy on any and all refugee resettlement, and

The Pickens County Republican Party Executive Committee hereby asks for a public and immediate order from the Governor of South Carolina directing the South Carolina DSS to cease and desist from all refugee resettlement activities until the Legislature convenes and passes legislation approving a state public policy on any and all refugee resettlement, and

The Pickens County Republican Party Executive Committee asks that each of our state representatives and senators from Pickens County immediately issue a letter to the Governor and the Director of the DSS stating this same request, and

The Pickens County Republican Party Executive Committee Chairman shall within twenty-four hours submit this resolution by email to the Governor, the Director of the DSS, and to each senator and legislator of Pickens County, and the Chairman shall further publish on the internet web page and/or Facebook group of this organization a copy of this resolution, a copy of the letter of transmittal addressed to each recipient, and provide a status update at the next regular meeting of the Pickens County Republican Party.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21 DAY OF JAN, 2016, By The Pickens County SC GOP

Signed by:

