



RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PAPER BALLOTS and ONE DAY VOTING

With assistance from the resolution passed by the Spartanburg County Republican Party in April of 2023

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Election Commission (SCSEC) and county election officials have unconstitutionally partnered with federal & state agencies and nonprofit organizations. In 2018, an agency under the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) called the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) partnered with CIS (Center for Internet Security). CIS provides “cybersecurity services” for state election entities. SC county election officials signed memorandums of understanding with CIS in 2018. CIS installed “Albert Sensors” to “monitor” voting machines 365 days per year;

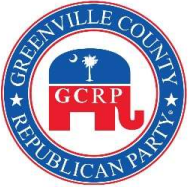
WHEREAS, these actions have taken perilous control of the voting rights of the citizens of South Carolina and have systematically worked to federalize our elections. Federal involvement in our state elections is in clear violation of the 10th Amendment of the United States (US) Constitution;

WHEREAS, the 10th Amendment prohibits congress from commandeering the states — that is, directly compelling them to enact or enforce a federal regulatory program. “Elections” designated as “critical infrastructure” by DHS on Jan 6, 2017, was never authorized by congress. Therefore, the decisions taken by SCSEC to foster these federal partnerships and use them in conjunction with the election machines is in clear abdication of their 10th Amendment responsibilities (reference pp. 4-5 <https://scvotes.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/2022-FALL-Election-Integrity-in-SC.pdf>);

WHEREAS, the SCSEC and county election officials’ partnership with both state and federal agencies violate the privacy of the citizens of South Carolina (Privacy act of 1974) (SC Constitution Article I, §10);

WHEREAS, certification standards put forth by the federal government under the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) law by the Election Assistance Commission states all Electronic Voting Machines, wireless or connected to the internet have been shown to be susceptible to manipulation through internal or external intrusion to alter votes and vote tallies and therefore the voter cannot trust the accuracy of their vote; violating (52 U.S.C. § 10307 (a));

WHEREAS, the SCSEC has introduced a policy last year to exclude “connected services [and] vendor systems” from citizen validation and verification in the scope of its Vulnerability Disclosure Program (<https://scvotes.gov/resources/vulnerability-disclosure-program/>)



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WHEREAS, Voters in South Carolina cannot prove their vote is being counted properly using the current electronic voting machine system and under state law each registered voter in this state has the right to vote and have his or her vote accurately counted as provided for in SC Constitution Article II § 1;

WHEREAS, many Countries have stopped the use of Electronic Voting Machines including The Netherlands in 2007, Germany in 2009, Ireland in 2010, Japan in 2018. Canada, France, the United Kingdom and Switzerland use hand counted paper ballots;

WHEREAS, the system of manually counting paper ballots which has been used for centuries enables the observers to easily ensure their votes are accurately counted. (S.C. Constitution Article II § 1) It is in the best interest of the voters in South Carolina to place accuracy over efficiency; and

LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT the **Greenville County Republican Party (GCRP)** opposes any further use of ballot tabulating machines and supports moving back to hand-marked hand-counted paper ballots and one day voting;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the **GCRP** requests the South Carolina legislature, governor and the SCSEC to abide by South Carolina law and the will of the people to use their authority to prohibit the use of ballot tabulating machines in the State of South Carolina. We urge instead the ballot tabulating machines be replaced by the manual human tally of paper ballots produced by the current SCSEC ballot marking device to ensure his or her vote is accurately counted in accordance with the highest and best manual-count standards, procedures, and devices in use prior to the introduction of ballot tabulating machines or at any time internationally per SC Constitution Article II § 1; Elections to be by secret ballot; protection of right of suffrage. All elections by the people shall be by secret ballot, but the ballots shall not be counted in secret. The right of suffrage, as regulated in this Constitution, shall be protected by laws regulating elections and prohibiting - under adequate penalties - all undue influence from power, bribery, tumult or improper conduct. (1970 (56) 2691; 1971 (57) 319)
One day voting and Voter Identification required.

THEREFORE, BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the South Carolina Republican Party Executive Committee adopt this resolution.

On this 2nd day of October, 2023