

## WALKER COUNTY REPUBLICAN PLATFORM

Adopted in convention

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### A. GENERAL PRINCIPLES

The Walker County Republican Party believes:

1. That the role of government should be limited to those functions that cannot be carried out adequately by individual citizens or by the private sector. The Federal Government, in particular, should confine itself to the functions granted to it by the Constitution, the functions to which the 9th and 10th Amendments of the Constitution limit it.
2. That county officials and their employees should recognize that they are servants of the people and use that attitude as their guide for conducting the people's business.
3. That taxation should be fair and equitable, and that taxes should be assessed at the lowest rates possible, consistent with supporting the necessary functions of government.
4. That all persons have the right to life, and that the lives of all persons, including the unborn, the sick, the aged, and the disabled should be protected.
5. That the family is the most important and the foundational unit of society, and its authority supersedes that of schools or of the state.
6. That the free enterprise system is superior to all other economic systems.

### B. SPECIFIC ISSUES

In accordance with the general principles stated above, the Walker County Republican Party seeks to address issues that are relevant to the citizens of the county at any given time. We believe the following issues to be most significant in 1999.

1. We support:
  - A. A multi-member Board of County Commissioners made up of members elected from separate districts.
  - B. An elected Tax Assessor and Board of Equalization.
  - C. An elected chief Supervisor of Elections.
  - D. Election of the members of the Walker County School Board by voters in the districts represented instead of all being elected county-wide.
  - E. Elected boards for various water districts.
  - F. Appointment of County Committees and Boards in a manner that will insure that those bodies are bipartisan and representative of all segments of the County.
2. We promote the use of accepted business practices in the operation of county government. We call on all county officials to take the following steps when tax money is to be spent:
  - A. Take bids where possible.
  - B. Spend tax money in Walker County when possible.

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