

Resolution for Reclaiming the Definition of Pro-Family

Resolution from the Progressive Caucus of the Iowa

Democratic Party to Advance a Pro-Family Agenda Where

ALL Parents Matter During the 2022 Elections

Whereas there is no greater societal responsibility than raising the next generation of lowans to be healthy, educated, and prepared to participate in society and the economy to the best of their abilities; and

Whereas parents matter and need government to provide the supportive environment to fulfill their parenting role; and

Whereas a pro-family agenda requires a strong public education from preschool through post-secondary education; and

Whereas a pro-family agenda requires enabling families to ensure members with disabilities can live in dignity; and

Whereas a pro-family agenda requires that tax policies recognize the cost of raising a family and ensure families can meet their household's basic

needs; and

Whereas a pro-family agenda requires recognizing and valuing the diversity of families and does not discriminate or denigrate by gender, race, or sexual identity in its policies; and

Whereas the Democratic Party has affirmed these pro-family stands on public education, care for persons with disabilities, tax policy for working families, and inclusion of and valuing of all family members in their roles in society; and

Whereas the Republican Party has defined family policies narrowly and taken action to limit public support for broad pro-family policies, placing more parents and families in jeopardy;

Be it resolved, that the Iowa Democratic Party advance a pro-family agenda that recognizes that ALL parents matter and encourages all candidates for office, state and federal, to spell out their positions on family issues, and Be it further resolved, that the Iowa Democratic Party make this a core part of its policy education during the 2022 election.