

RAPE KIT PROCESSING RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, women are continually in danger of sexual assault;

WHEREAS, the purpose of government is to protect the natural rights of its citizens and not to provide entitlements;

WHEREAS, such things as education, healthcare, and other various entitlement programs are continually funded, but protecting women from sexual assault by processing rape kits is not;

WHEREAS, women who are sexually assaulted and follow through with rape kits/DNA evidence collection are not having their rape kits processed in a timely manner;

WHEREAS, many of these rape kits sit unprocessed on shelves for years and sometimes decades because of lack of funding;

WHEREAS, processing rape kits leads to the arrest and prosecution of criminals which is one of the purposes of government;

BE IT RESOLVED THEREFORE, that Texas will rightly prioritize the inalienable right of women's safety and justice above the funding of entitlement programs and that the funding of rape kit processing will be continuous with mandatory annual reporting to ensure that the money is being allocated for this intent.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that women will gain justice for the sexual assault crimes committed against them in a timely manner.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to the _____/County Convention Resolutions Committee from Precinct # _____ of the _____ County _____ Party, with the recommendation that it be passed to the State Convention Platform Committee of the _____ Party of Texas.