A Resolution Supporting Addressing within Arizona’s Tribal Lands and Rural Areas

Whereas, Arizona residents within Tribal lands and rural areas have addresses that limit their ability to register to vote and it is only a matter of time before the county and state governments reject non-traditional addresses in these areas;

Whereas, the use of P.O. Boxes is prohibited on voter registration forms, and vague descriptions of home locations is accepted only by the discretion of each county recorder;

Whereas, a recent system of addressing rural areas using Plus Codes has been implemented by the Rural Utah Project’s addressing program, as well as Four Directions new mobile application for tribes in North and South Dakota with success

Whereas, for the ability to secure future voting rights as well as an accurate Census count during the decennial census on Tribal lands and Rural areas in Arizona a uniform addressing system must be instituted, either utilizing traditional addresses or Plus Codes.

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Arizona Democratic Party request of all Arizona Democratic Party state legislators the immediate implementation of a Rural Addressing Program that provides addresses to Tribal lands and rural areas within Arizona, either through traditional addresses or Plus Codes.

Respectfully submitted to the Arizona Democratic Party, December 2019
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