

**Resolution for Implementing Hand Counted Paper Ballots
in All Elections in the Commonwealth of Virginia**

Whereas, Elected officials and candidates at the highest levels of federal government in both political parties have claimed voter fraud was the direct cause for loss of elections for their respective parties in the presidential and mid-term elections of 2016, 2018, 2020 and 2022; and

Whereas, The public perception is that voter fraud is real and widespread, thereby developing distrust in the election results and driving honest citizens out of the democratic process; and

Whereas, Electronic voting systems and processes have been identified as a major source for potentially fraudulent activity and loss of transparency in the voting process; and

Whereas, Virginia relies on electronic voting machines to read, record, and total the ballots for individual precincts; and

Whereas, Election results have been contested and, in some cases, results have been reversed due to voting machine issues, usually called glitches, programming errors, coding mistakes and the like; and

Whereas, The simple process of voting, that we did in America for hundreds of years, with hand counting of ballots on election night is the best method to prevent our ballots from being digitized and allows the People to participate in tallying and calculating election results; and

Whereas, A Virginia state senator has recognized the reality of election altering outcomes associated with the use of electronic voting processes and has therefore called for hand counted paper ballots; and

Whereas, Several other developed nations use a hand counted paper ballot system instead of voting machines; and

Whereas, Virginia can be a national example for improving the voting process; now,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Augusta County Republican Committee;

1. **Urges** the General Assembly of Virginia to immediately discontinue all electronic voting and reporting; and
2. **Urges** the General Assembly of Virginia to institute the use of hand counted paper ballots; and
3. **Urges** the General Assembly of Virginia to require a bipartisan 100% recount of randomly selected precincts within thirty (30) days of the election; and
4. **Directs** the Chairman of the Augusta County Republican Committee to disseminate copies of this Resolution to all 6th District Virginia Republican Units with the request that ALL Units endorse it.

Supported and Endorsed by the Augusta County Republican Committee