Resolution to Recognize Parents’ Rights, stakeholder authority, and political participation

Whereas, on September 28th, 2021, Democrat Gubernatorial Candidate Terry McAuliffe (VA) said, "I don’t think parents should be telling schools what they should teach;" and

Whereas, on September 29th, 2021, the National School Board Association (NSBA) asked Democrat President Joe Biden to label parents domestic terrorists for questioning local school Board policies; and

Whereas, on September 30th, 2021, Democrat President Joe Biden’s Education Secretary Miguel Cardona said parents shouldn’t be the “primary stakeholder” in their kids’ education during his testimony before the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, and;

Whereas, parents are primary stakeholders in their children’s future and education, and as such, parents have the unalienable right to be part of the political process, be heard by their school districts, and make decisions regarding their children’s education;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Washington State Republican Party (WSRP) urges the Washington State School Directors Association (WSSDA) to declare their affirmation of parents as primary stakeholders and participants in their children’s education, well-being, health-care and future; and

Be it further resolved that the WSRP urges WSSDA to break all association with the NSBA; and

Be it further resolved that the WSRP urges the Washington State Legislature to pass a bill ensuring parents are protected from the political weaponization of labels and any governmental actions that would infringe on their parental stakeholder responsibilities and political participation opportunities.

Be it finally resolved that the WSRP send a copy of this resolution to WSSDA, the Washington State Department of Education, the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI), the NSBA, and the Democrat and Republican leaders of the Washington Legislature.