



**Alaska Democratic Party
State Central Committee Meeting
September 23, 2023**

**A Resolution in to Ensure Alaska Native and Rural Alaskans'
Inclusivity and Representation in the Alaska Democratic Party**

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Adopted as amended

WHEREAS, the Alaska Democratic Party recognizes the importance of representing all Alaskans and fostering inclusivity within its ranks, and

WHEREAS, recent election trends have indicated a shift in demographics and voting patterns, with Anchorage becoming the largest voting bloc for Democrats in Alaska, and

WHEREAS, there has been a noticeable decrease in voter turnout in rural Alaska, coupled with a concerning increase in support for extremist and authoritarian candidates, thereby underscoring the need for active outreach and engagement in these areas; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Democratic Party must rebuild and strengthen its presence in rural Alaska to continue making progress, elect Democratic candidates, and contribute to the national democratic movement, and

WHEREAS, Alaska's diversity, including its Alaska Native population, is a cornerstone of our state's cultural and political identity, and

Committing to support the Alaska Native and Rural Caucus, the mechanism established to address these challenges and promote the Democratic Party's values and policies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Alaska Democratic Party acknowledges the need for increased efforts to represent and engage with all Alaskans, including those in rural communities.

The Alaska Democratic Party will work diligently to provide support to the Alaska Native and Rural Caucus. This support shall be aimed at empowering the caucus to conduct outreach activities, increase voter turnout, and promote Democratic values in rural areas, focusing on the tribes.

The Alaska Native and Rural Caucus are hereby encouraged to develop an outreach plan, outlining strategies and initiatives to promote Democratic values and increase voter engagement in rural Alaska. This plan shall be presented to the Central Committee at the next meeting for review and discussion.

This resolution shall be shared with all members of the Alaska Democratic Party and implemented immediately, with the party leadership taking necessary steps to support the Alaska Native and Rural Caucus and plan outreach activities in rural Alaska.

We, the members of the Alaska Democratic Party, hereby resolve to adopt this resolution to ensure that our party is accessible, representative, and responsive to the needs and concerns of all Alaskans, including those in rural communities, and to empower the Alaska Native and Rural Caucus in its efforts to develop and execute effective outreach strategies.