

2012

RIGHT TO CARRY

Be it resolved on that the Hawaii Republican Party believes that law abiding citizens have the right to bear arms under the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment of the U.S. Constitution reaffirmed by the U.S. Supreme Court.

The Hawaii Republican Party shall support any legislation to ensure the right to bear arms is protected and preserved.

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## RESOLUTION (RIGHT TO CARRY – SHALL ISSUE)

**Whereas**, The state of Hawai'i makes a mockery of its right to carry permit process by refusing to issue concealed weapon permits except to employees of law enforcement agencies;

**Whereas**, law-abiding citizens should have the right of self-defense;

**Whereas**, even the best law-enforcement agencies are often backlogged and can not send help immediately;

**Whereas**, for many victims of domestic violence, a temporary restraining order does no good;

**Whereas**, Hawai'i Republicans believe government exists to protect our God-given rights, defend our sovereignty and borders, and provide infrastructure for the common good;

**Whereas**, Hawai'i Republicans believe in Individual Responsibility;

**Whereas**, right to carry and shall issue laws have been shown effective in many states in reducing crime;

**Now, therefore, be it**

**Resolved**, that the Hawai'i Republican Party in convention at Honolulu, Hawai'i, on 12 May, 2012 –

(1) laws be enacted to require the issue of concealed firearms carry permits (at no excessive cost) to all individuals who have completed a prescribed training course (of no more than 12 hours) and who have no history of committing a felony or serious mental illness.

Upon ratification of this resolution, copies shall be sent by the convention secretary to the governor, Lt. governor, state house of representatives, and state senate.

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