

Resolution in Favor of Marriage Equality for All

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3 **WHEREAS** the Washington State Legislature passed the Anderson/Murray Act to end
4 discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity;

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6 **WHEREAS** marriage was not included in this act and sexual orientation or gender
7 identity discrimination is still practiced in Washington State;

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9 **WHEREAS** marriage should be a human right and not restricted by sexual orientation
10 or gender identity; and

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12 **WHEREAS** gay citizens are taxpayers, have fought in wars, teach in our schools, work
13 in our hospitals, and serve in every part of society;

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15 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Washington State legislature should repeal
16 the Defense of Marriage Act;

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18 **THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Washington State Democrats call
19 on our State Legislators and our Washington State Congressional Delegation to
20 recognize all gay marriages as equal with all citizens' marriages; and

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22 **THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that the Washington State Democratic
23 Party call upon the Legislature to end discrimination in marriage by amending the
24 Murray/Anderson Act to include marriage.
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27 Submitted by the Skagit County Democrats to the Democratic Central Committee for
28 consideration at its June 14 convention in Spokane. (Date Submitted 4/12/2008)

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30 The Resolutions Committee "AMENDED THIS RESOLUTION AND RECOMMENDED
31 A PASS" at its May 31, 2008 meeting in Ellensburg.

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33 The Washington State Democratic Convention "PASSED" this resolution at its June 14,
34 2008 meeting in Spokane.