

## Creation of a Task Force to Review the Caucus and Primary Process

**WHEREAS** more than 240,000 Democrats attended their precinct caucuses and this turnout was unprecedented and unanticipated;

**WHEREAS** many potential participants could not attend due to work or other conflicts and were not eligible under the rules to vote by proxy;

**WHEREAS** the Democratic National Committee will not allow us to select delegates using both the precinct caucus and the state presidential primary;

**WHEREAS** more people submitted resolutions and suggestions about abolishing the precinct caucuses than on any other topic;

**WHEREAS** we value openness and we want to make our party accessible; and

**WHEREAS** any process can be improved, and it behooves us to be responsive to requests to improve this process;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Washington State Democratic Party recommends that the Washington State Democratic Central Committee respond to this outpouring of concerns by creating a Caucus and Primary Task Force to review the lessons learned from the 2008 presidential selection process and to propose improvements; and

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this task force hold hearings in several parts of the state and report its findings and proposals for improving the delegate selection process to the WSDCC within one year.

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Submitted by the King County Democrats to the Democratic Central Committee for consideration at its June 14 convention in Spokane. (Date Submitted 4/21/2008)

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

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