

1 **Resolution in Support of Automatic Voter Registration**
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3 **WHEREAS** it is in our best interest to have a more comprehensive incorporation of all
4 available electors;

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6 **WHEREAS** a well-functioning democracy depends on the participation of its citizens;

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8 **WHEREAS** many States have nevertheless attempted to implement measures of voter
9 suppression; and

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11 **WHEREAS** voter suppression measures can be counteracted by implementing broad
12 voter recruitment and expanding voter rights;

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14 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that we, the Washington State Democratic Party,
15 recommend that all citizens be automatically enrolled as voters when they go to the
16 DMV to obtain or renew a driver’s license or other form of government ID; and

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18 **THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in order to safeguard individual
19 choice, this measure would also allow citizens to opt out of registering at time of
20 obtaining or renewing a driver’s license.

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23 Submitted by the Island County Democrats.

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25 The Platform Committee recommended that this resolution be passed at their June 17,
26 2016 meeting.

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28 The 2016 Washington State Democratic Convention passed this resolution on June 18,
29 2016.
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