

1 **Demand the Senate Fulfill Its Duties**
2 **Under Article 2 of the Constitution**

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4 **WHEREAS** it is clear that the current Majority Senate leadership and majority members
5 are on public record as opposing Article 2 of the Constitution to which they have sworn
6 to uphold;

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8 **WHEREAS** Article 2 states that “He (the President) shall have power, by and with the
9 advice and consent of the Senate, to make treaties, provided two thirds of the Senators
10 present concur; and he shall nominate, and by and with the advice and consent of the
11 Senate, shall appoint ambassadors, other public ministers and consuls, judges of the
12 Supreme Court, and all other officers of the United States, whose appointments are not
13 herein otherwise provided for, and which shall be established by law: but the Congress
14 may by law vest the appointment of such inferior officers, as they think proper, in the
15 President alone, in the courts of law, or in the heads of departments”; and

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17 **WHEREAS** there have been immediate and repeated public declarations of intent to
18 oppose and refuse fulfillment of their duties to provide advice and consent of the said
19 appointee(s) to the Supreme Court as prescribed in Article 2 of the Constitution of the
20 United States;

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22 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Clark County Democrats send a letter
23 thanking our senators, Patty Murray and Maria Cantwell, for their willingness to
24 provide timely advice and consent on President Obama’s Supreme Court nominee.

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26 **THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that members of the Washington State
27 Democratic Convention encourage all party members and citizens to write to Senate
28 Majority Leader Mitch McConnell at Washington Office 317 Russell Senate Office
29 Building, Washington, DC 20510, Phone: (202) 224-2541, reminding him of his
30 responsibility to fulfill his duty under Article 2 of the Constitution of the United States.

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33 Submitted by the Clark County Democrats.

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35 The Platform Committee recommended that this resolution be passed at their June 17,
36 2016 meeting.

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38 The 2016 Washington State Democratic Convention passed this resolution on June 18,
39 2016.

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