

1 **Resolution to Ban Glyphosates**

2 **WHEREAS** the World Health Organization (WHO) has declared glyphosate to be a
3 possible carcinogen (2015);

4 **WHEREAS** 27 European Union (EU) member states agree on the European Food and
5 Safety Authority's (EFSA) conclusion on the carcinogenicity of glyphosate;

6 **WHEREAS** glyphosate is the main ingredient in the nationally and most widely used
7 herbicide, Monsanto's Roundup™;

8 **WHEREAS** California's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (CEHHA)
9 concurs in the findings that glyphosate is known to cause cancer;

10 **WHEREAS** as of January 2017, the California Supreme Court has ruled that the
11 herbicide Roundup™ requires labeling as possibly cancer causing;

12 **WHEREAS** when used on agricultural crops it is absorbed by the plants and/or leaves
13 an indelible and toxic residue on the produce, is harmful to people, wildlife, and bees
14 (which are essential for pollination); and

15 **WHEREAS** the ever increasing and excessive use of pesticides contaminates soil and
16 water sources, causes loss of biodiversity, and diminishes the nutritional value of food;

17 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Washington State Democrats request federal
18 and state level legislation to ban the herbicide Roundup™ and any other herbicides
19 containing glyphosate until studies show that it does not cause cancer and is not a
20 threat to human health.

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22 Submitted by the Skamania County Democrats.

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24 The Platform Committee recommended that this resolution be passed at their June 15,
25 2018 meeting.

26 The 2018 Washington State Democratic Convention passed this resolution on June 16,
27 2018.