



#### **RESOLUTION ADOPTING DONATION ACCEPTANCE POLICY**

Whereas, if donations or gifts are accepted by the Thurston County Democratic Central Committee (“Thurston County Democrats” or “organization”) without distinction, there is then the potential for a particular donation or donor to create disruptive controversy, undue transactions costs, reputational damage, or subvert the party platform.

Accordingly, the Thurston County Democrats hereby adopts the following policy:

#### **Donation Acceptance Policy**

- A. Thurston County Democrats will not accept donations or gifts that
- 1) would result in it violating its corporate charter, Bylaws, or policies
  - 2) would result in it conflicting with the rules and policies of the WSDCC,
  - 3) are too difficult or too expensive to administer in relation to the gift’s value or organization resources, or
  - 4) could result in serious, unacceptable consequences for the Thurston County Democrats.
- B. Upon any Executive Committee officer’s timely request, a Committee shall decide whether to solicit, accept, or reject donations or gifts from a donor, after considering the following factors:
- 1) Whether the acceptance of the gift may substantially compromise any part of the platform of Thurston County Democrats.
  - 2) Whether there is compatibility between the intent of the donor and the organization’s use of the gift.
  - 3) Whether acceptance of a gift may damage the reputation of Thurston County Democrats or create undue internal discord therein.
  - 4) Whether the primary benefit is to Thurston County Democrats or the donor.
  - 5) Whether acceptance of the gift is consistent with the acceptance or rejection of prior gifts under this Policy.
  - 6) Whether acceptance from the donor will discourage future gifts.
- C. Members or Officers of Thurston County Democrats shall not accept personal payments or gifts for the execution of their duties on behalf of the organization. Doing so shall be a *per se* violation of the organization’s Code of Conduct.
- D. Decisions regarding an individual donor under Sections A or B will be made by the Executive Committee following a reasonable request by any officer.
- E. Decisions regarding an alleged violation of Section C will be made by the TCD committee responsible for adjudicating Code of Conduct violations.

The Thurston County Democratic Central Committee passed this Resolution on February 24, 2020.