

A RESOLUTION TO CHANGE THE MANNER OF ELECTION FOR THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF OF RANDOLPH COUNTY FROM PARTISAN TO NONPARTISAN

WHEREAS, Republican candidates for Randolph County Sheriff have run unopposed for many years; and,

WHEREAS, The Randolph County Sheriff's Office has been decided in the Republican Primary, leaving registered Democrats with no vote for sheriff; and,

WHEREAS, Former employees of the Randolph County Sheriff's Office have claimed on social media that only registered Republicans are considered for openings in the department; and,

WHEREAS, Former employees of the Randolph County Sheriff's Office have admitted on social media that they and their families have been illegally pressured by their employer to maintain their registration as Republicans, to vote for certain candidates, and to make campaign contributions as well as electioneer for the sheriff; and,

WHEREAS, The Randolph County Sheriff has pressured deputies to take an active part in the Randolph County Republican party and vote for certain party officials during the county convention; and,

WHEREAS, The current job selection process for employees of the Sheriff's Department reduces the likelihood of finding an experienced Democratic candidate for Sheriff; therefore be it

RESOLVED, The manner of election for the office of Sheriff of Randolph County shall be changed from partisan to nonpartisan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The party designation will not appear next to the candidate's name.