A RESOLUTION OPPOSING PRIVATE, FOR-PROFIT PRISONS

WHEREAS, No corporation or person should profit from the imprisonment of another human; and

WHEREAS, Private ownership of prison systems encourages longer sentences, mandatory minimum sentences, corruption, and cost cutting over the basic human rights of the prisoners; and

WHEREAS, All prisons should conform to the UN Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners (the Nelson Mandela Rules); and

WHEREAS, Time in a prison system should be used to rehabilitate and teach individuals how to productively re-enter society and not re-offend; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Democratic Party is opposed to private, for-profit prisons.

Submitted by the Randolph County Democratic Party County Convention