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DFL 46 SAMPLE BALLOT

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Resolution Title	Resolution	Resolution Number
Civil, Human & Constitutional Rights		
Amendment to Counter Citizens United	DFL supports efforts to amend the United States Constitution to reverse the severely damaging effects of Citizens United.	1
Ceasefire Resolution	DFL supports a lasting and permanent ceasefire to protect human life.	2
Condemning & Combating Antisemitism	DFL condemns antisemitism in all its forms, including the targeting of Jews as individuals, as a people, or denial of the right of the state of Israel to exist, and is committed to combating anti-Jewish bias in all of its manifestations.	3
Condemning Jewish, Muslim, & Arab-American Discrimination	DFL condemns equally all forms of discrimination against Jewish, Muslim, and Arab-Americans; and calls for an end to violence, the return of all Israeli hostages, aid for Palestinians, a peace process leading to a two-state solution, and the eradication of terrorism in all of its forms.	4
Condemning Religious Nationalism	DFL commits to condemning religious nationalism in all forms and considers it a threat to democracy; commits to educating voters and its own members about the rising threat of religious nationalism; and reinstates the platform support for separation of church and state as enshrined in our Constitution.	5
End-of-Life Options Act	DFL supports passage of the Minnesota End-of-Life Options Act, affirming that terminally-ill, mentally capable adults should have the freedom and bodily autonomy to request and obtain from their healthcare provider medication they may self-administer for a peaceful death.	6
MN Equal Rights Amendment	DFL supports making the MN Equal Rights Amendment a top priority to ensure the rights of all Minnesotans are secured in the state's constitution, to ensure passage of a robust MN ERA through the MN Legislature	7
Money in Politics	DFL supports Minnesota passing a statewide small donor matching program and digital modernization of the Political Contribution Refund to strengthen our campaign finance laws and shift the balance of power to make sure Minnesotans are at the center of our democracy.	8
Overturn Citizens United	DFL supports the overturning of Citizens United.	9

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Civil, Human & Constitutional Rights Continued		
Redistricting Reform	DFL supports the establishment of an independent citizen redistricting commission as a back-up if the independent commission ballot measure fails, made up of public members representative of Minnesota's diversity, partisan balance, and geography, for future redistricting. This Citizen redistricting commission will create maps for the state Senate and House as well as congressional districts, not constrained to a least-change approach, in a transparent manner with full opportunities for public input, review, and participation.	10
Protect Reproductive Freedom	DFL supports the protection of all reproductive freedom from a reproductive justice framework, including the right to decide whether and when to grow our families, the right to safe and accessible means of birth control and abortions, as well as the right to have children and raise them in healthy and safe communities.	11
Repeal MN's Anti-Boycott Laws	DFL supports repeal of anti-boycott laws, MN Statutes 3.226 and 16C.053.	12
We Choose Us Voting Rights	DFL supports state and local governments committing to; protecting election officials if threats are made against them; prevent the presence of those seeking to intimidate voters; actively enforce punishment for such activity as described by MN statute; prohibit attempts to impersonate election officials; make secure absentee ballots boxes available and accessible regardless of zip code; provide materials and interpretation support in the languages spoken by communities; and ensuring polling places are welcoming to all voters.	13
We the People Amendment	DFL supports amending the United States Constitution to establish that only human beings are endowed with constitutional rights, that money is not speech and therefore regulating political contributions and spending is not equivalent to limiting speech; as written in Minnesota SF 384 (Marty), HF 1064 (Hollins), and US Congress HJR54.	14
Consumer Protection		
Democracy in Residences	DFL supports amending state laws that require 100% of owners to vote in favor of a change of use to instead require 80% or more.	15

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Education		
Affordable, Accessible, Equitable & Sustainable Childcare	DFL supports funding our childcare system so that no family pays more than 7% of their annual income for childcare and early learning, all children have access to high quality childcare and early learning, and childcare providers have the resources they need to provide workers with living wages.	16
Opioid Use Prevention	DFL supports promoting opioid education and awareness in schools, enhancing & improving access to treatment & recovery, and implementing prevention programs in the schools.	17
Youth Programs	DFL supports civic education and financial literacy be incorporated as essential components of the school curriculum, starting from the earliest grade levels and continuing throughout the academic years; the curriculum shall include age-appropriate lessons and activities introducing fundamental concepts of citizenship, government structures, democratic principles, community involvement, and active participation in civic life; and financial literacy modules shall cover fundamental economic concepts, budgeting, savings, understanding banking systems, consumer awareness, and the prudent use of money, gradually increasing in complexity as students progress through grade levels.	18
Energy & Climate		
Automatic Solar Permitting	DFL urges the MN Legislature pass the Solar APP+ bill to provide financial incentives for cities that want to expand solar by improving permitting using Solar APP+.	19
Carbon Fee with Cash Back to Americans	DFL supports an economy-wide solution to lower fossil fuel emissions with speed and scale. The energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act, a bill that puts a price on pollution, does this fairly.	20
Local Clean Energy Resolution	DFL urges the MN Legislature support community-based development of MN's renewable energy resources for rural economic development.	21
Reform the Energy Transmission Permitting Process	DFL supports accelerating the building and connection of energy transmission projects in order to strengthen energy security and position Minnesota as a clean energy leader by reforming the energy transmission permitting process to allow more efficient environmental analyses, site new projects in shorter time, and ensure local communities have a voice regarding environmental impacts.	22

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Government Accountability to the Public		
Ranked Choice Voting Local Options	DFL supports Ranked Choice Voting(RCV) Local Option legislation, allowing cities, counties, and school districts to adopt RCV if they wish.	23
Small Donor Matching	DFL supports MN pass a statewide small donor matching program and digital modernization of the Political Contribution Refund to strengthen our campaign finance laws and shift the balance of power to make sure Minnesotans are at the center of our democracy.	24
Right to vote, Electoral college	DFL supports a constitutional amendment which: guarantees the right to vote for all citizens 18 years and older; disbands the electoral college in favor of using the popular vote; and codifies that only human beings are citizens, and AI, corporations, associations, and other artificial entities are not entitled to vote or finance elections, PACs, or other mechanisms that violate campaign laws.	25
Democratic improvements to representation in Congress	DFL supports increasing the number of representative districts so each district represents no more than 250,000 people; each district shall elect two representatives with a 50% of the vote through ranked choice voting; states with only one representative district be merged with an adjoining state; any state with more than 50 representative districts shall be divided into two; new states will have no more than two senators and an appropriate number of representatives according to population; and Washington DC, Puerto Rico, and other territories shall be invited to become states.	26
Health & Human Services		
Commission for Health Care Equity	DFL supports the establishment of a Commission for Equitable Health Care empowered to evaluate how MN's healthcare industry is organized, financed, and operates, and how that impacts people's access to care, its cost, and quality; and furthermore this Commission be empowered to provide recommendation to ensure all Minnesotans can access quality life-sustaining care in an equitable and timely manner, regardless of residence or coverage.	27

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Health & Human Services Continued		
Direct Payment - Public Programs - Health	DFL supports the MN Department of Human Services (DHS) terminate any existing contracts with private health insurance companies to manage or administer health coverage for persons on Minnesota Medical Assistance, MinnesotaCare, Children's Health Insurance Program, or other public programs that cover the health care needs of Minnesotans, upon expiration of current managed care organization (MCO) contracts, and will not enter into any new MCO contracts in favor of the DHS assuming responsibility for administering healthcare coverage for persons on public programs and reimburse all providers directly for healthcare.	28
Demand Accounting Within Medicare Advantage	DFL supports demanding the MN Commerce Department provide us with a thorough study of the Medicare Advantage companies operating in MN; including patient care, coverage dropping, reasons for prior authorization denials, hospital reimbursements, physician reimbursements, excessive profits, and lobbying.	29
Humane Encampment Resolution	DFL supports a humane encampment response that recognizes homelessness as a public health issue.	30
Eliminate Mandatory Drug Testing	DFL supports the elimination of mandatory drug testing of pregnant and birthing people.	31
Ensure Access to Reproductive Healthcare	DFL supports steps to ensure safe and equitable access to reproductive choices, and treating reproductive care like other essential healthcare for every Minnesotan.	32
MinnesotaCare Public Option	DFL supports the enactment of a MinnesotaCare Public Option that expands MinnesotaCare coverage to those not currently eligible; offers premiums on an income-based sliding scale; offers comprehensive coverage including vision and dental care; and has broad network coverage, especially in rural areas.	33
Medicare for All	DFL supports Medicare for All.	34

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Save Medicare from Total Privatization	DFL affirms its opposition to Medicare privatization by urging federal legislators and the Biden Administration to level the playing field as a first step towards increasing healthcare equity by: adding benefits to traditional Medicare now only offered in private Medicare Advantage plans (vision, dental, and hearing, eliminating the 20% Medicare co-pays, and setting an out-of-pocket cap), eliminating the excessive administrative costs and profits in the Medicare Advantage and ACO-REACH programs, and recouping funds for the Medicare Trust Fund from fraud and abuse by Medicare Advantage plans and ACO-REACH contractors, as confirmed by the Department of Health & Human Services or Congressional investigations, in order to used the money saved to support a robust traditional Medicare system that will lower costs and improve benefits, access, and equity for all beneficiaries.	35
Single Payer Healthcare	DFL supports a universal, single payer healthcare plan that ensures access to affordable, high-quality healthcare for all regardless of age, income, employment, or health status.	36
Universal Single Payer Healthcare	DFL supports promoting legislation for a patient-centered healthcare system, by enacting the Minnesota Health Plan (Marty) at the state level, and the Medicare for All Act of 2023 (Jayapal) at the national level so: residents will be healthier; everyone is covered without fear of medical debt; patients choose their doctor; the emphasis is on health and thus prevention of poor health; profit-driven insurance companies do not get to deny care or override doctor's decisions; doctors get to provide care instead of managing insurance company profits; the complex bureaucracy of "who pays" is eliminated, thus significantly reducing administrative costs, and simplifying the system for all to understand.	37
Labor & Employment		
Four Day Workweek	DFL supports the promotion and implementation of a standard Four Day (32 hour) Workweek, and a 4-day workweek trial funded and led by the state legislature under the 100-80-100 model, where workers get 100% of the pay, for working 80% of the time, in exchange for delivering 100% of their usual output.	38
The Right to Disconnect	DFL supports the right of workers to disconnect from work to live full, dignified lives, and supports the passage of legislation protecting that right.	39

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Media, Internet, & Information		
Update Section 230 - Internet	Section 230 of Title 47 of the US Code, providing immunity from liability for providers of online computer services, needs to be updated as the internet has developed in ways that were not imagined.	40
Natural Resources & the Environment		
Boundary Waters Permanent Protection	DFL supports a ban on sulfide-ore copper mining on lands in the watershed of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness and Voyageurs National Park to protect two of Minnesota's great natural treasures from pollution, impairment, and destruction.	41
Prove it First	DFL supports the Minnesota Legislature holding hearings on the Prove it First legislation and supports the governor withholding all permits for copper nickel sulfide mines in Minnesota until it can be proven that such mines can be operated safely in our water-rich environment without violating state, federal, and tribal water quality standards.	42
Require Producers to Reduce Plastic Waste	DFL supports Minnesota enacting Extended Producer Responsibility legislation - a law that will extend producer's financial and managerial responsibility for their products and packaging beyond the manufacturing state- both upstream to product design and downstream to post-consumer use, recycling, or safe disposal. The law must require producers to collect 70% of the packaging they generate within five years, reduce the amount of plastic packaging they produce by 50% within 10 years, and prohibit all toxic substances and materials in the manufacturing of plastic packaging.	43
Public Safety & Crime Prevention		
Anti-Surveillance Resolution	DFL opposes any funding that would result in surveillance of Muslim communities, particularly of Black Muslim Youth.	44
Ban Assault-Style Weapons	DFL party supports banning assault-style weapons.	45
Stiffen Carjacking Penalties	DFL supports stiffening carjacking penalties to deter the crime; penalties that are impactful; currently they are not or we would not have so many repeat offenders; carjacking is a felony; and the county attorney should not be able to reduce the charges.	46
Lost and Stolen Firearms	DFL supports requiring all gun owners to report lost and stolen firearms to local law enforcement.	47

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Public Safety & Crime Prevention Continued		
Require Guns to be Licensed/Registered	DFL supports requiring guns to be licensed and registered.	48
Secure Storage of Firearms	DFL supports requiring all gun owners to store their firearms locked and separate from ammunition.	49
Sensible Evidence-Based Gun Laws	DFL supports taking legislative action to halt the ever-increasing rate of gun violence in Minnesota by enacting evidence-based policies that would prevent and reduce this epidemic-level problem.	50
Supporting Forest/Wildland Firefighters	Be it resolved that the Minnesota DFL will actively work to diminish the crisis facing front line Forest/Wildland Fire Fighters by extending the temporary pay supplements granted under US PL 117-58 permanently, increasing their base pay to reflect the integral and life threatening work they do, increase pay after completion of training/certificates earned and years served, extending benefits to all fire fighters year round, and protecting them by providing the necessary equipment and tools. In addition, the DFL will support full funding for the fire fighting departments, agencies and crews.	51
Racial, Ethnic, Gender, LGBTQ, & Economic Justice		
Native American National Park Amendment	DFL supports requiring National Parks to have a Native American historian and/or expert on staff every hour the park gates are open to ensure all history is taught.	52
Parental Curriculum Review Clarification	DFL supports the use of inclusive educational materials in school classrooms that represent the diversity of people in Minnesota, and the notion that representation of people in protected classes should not be subject to special accommodation or parental curriculum review.	53
Protect Students and Educators	DFL demands the legislature protect LGBTQ+ students, educators, and staff from the rising level of personal and professional attacks.	54
Retirement Security		
Guaranteed Basic Income for Seniors	DFL supports a guaranteed basic income for seniors to provide financial aid to qualifying impoverished seniors in Minnesota to alleviate the burden of poverty; where funds do not count as income for other social programs and are explicitly designated as non-taxable income for state and federal purposes.	55

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Retirement Security Continued		
Support MN Sustainable Investing Act	DFL supports the Minnesota legislature enact without delay the Minnesota Sustainable Investing Act, empowering the Minnesota State Board of Investments to consider a wide range of factors and risks, including climate and other environmental and social factors, when making investment decisions.	56
Tax & Budget Policy		
Divestment Resolution	DFL supports the MN State Board of Investments divesting from the state of Israel.	57
Increase the Percent on Company Stock Buybacks	DFL supports increasing the 1% tax on stock buyback made by corporations repurchasing \$1 million or more of their shares each year to 5% (introduced by the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022), excluding Restricted Stock Units, options, and grants to median employees.	58
Fully Fund Public Education	DFL supports raising taxes on the wealthiest 1% and largest corporations to fully fund Minnesota's public schools.	59
Revenue as a Public Good	DFL supports policies that protect and expand the revenues available for public investment, and opposes any tax cut primarily benefiting the wealthiest Minnesotans, or any tax cut that would substantially impede the state's ability to fund public goods and services.	60
Ultra-Millionaire Tax on Fortunes \$50+ Million	DFL supports passage of the Ultra-Millionaire Tax Bill (Warren, Jayapal, Boyle) on fortunes over \$50 million.	61
Local or Party Issues		
Eliminate the Caucus	DFL supports eliminating the caucus process because Minnesota has moved to a presidential primary.	62