

REPUBLICAN PRINCIPLES

The United States of America is a Constitutional Republic, not a Democracy. Our Constitutional Republic is codified within the United States Constitution, which is the Supreme Law of the land. Our Constitution flows directly from the Declaration of Independence and the invaluable life experiences of our Founding Fathers. It is not subject to the whims of democracy. Our Constitution narrowly defines the rights of the federal government, and those powers not enumerated to it are reserved to the States or the People, respectively. All efforts to redefine the United States of America as a "Democracy" shall be resoundingly rejected by this party.

We believe in limited government, individual liberty, natural rights, and personal moral responsibility. We believe Oklahoma should be a place of opportunity where people who work hard and abide by just and equally applied laws can pursue their own dreams with a reasonable expectation of success.

As Republicans, we believe:

- *Our rights of life, liberty, and property are natural rights granted to us by God, protected by the Constitution, to be defended by our elected officials, even during a declared emergency.*
- *In the free exercise of religion and right to worship as we please without government intrusion or interference.*
- *God is the Author and Creator of life and that all human life, both born and, in the womb, should be protected.*
- *In traditional marriage; the union of one man and one woman.*
- *Economic freedom is the cornerstone of individual liberty. The private sector and free market principles are the best to stimulate economic development not government programs.*
- *Revenues collected at all levels of government should be used only for well-defined, legitimate government functions, and should be carried out efficiently so that tax rates may be kept as low as possible.*
- *In the right of every parent to act in their child's best interest including health decisions and choosing the form of education, whether at a public or private school, or education by other means.*
- *In welcoming immigrants, who want to legally seek freedom and opportunity, work, and embrace our values, learn the English language, and respect our Union's border and State's sovereignty.*
- *In Supporting and maintaining a strong national defense and advocate "Peace through Strength."*
- *The Republican Party is the best vehicle for translating these ideals into positive and successful principles of government.*
- *That we are to function as a Constitutional Republic with undefined State power as described in the Constitution, where Oklahoma Sovereignty is considered constitutionally superior to a Federal Govt.*