

MINNESOTA DFL RESOLUTION FORM
(Submit one resolution per form and one subject per resolution)

The State DFL Ongoing Platform embodies the principles of the Minnesota Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party. The State DFL Action Agenda is a set of recommended public policy positions which the party supports and will promote during the next two years. This form must be completely filled out for a resolution to be considered.

Congressional District:	Organizing Unit:	Precinct:
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Proposed by: _____
(Name) (City) Contact Phone # / E-mail

This resolution should be considered under the following category: **[check one]**

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| Agriculture & Food | Media & Internet Issues |
| Business & Community Development | National Security & International Policy |
| Civil, Human & Constitutional Rights | Natural Resources & the Environment |
| Consumer Issues | Public Safety & Crime Prevention |
| Education | Retirement Security |
| Energy | Tax & Budget Policy |
| Government Accountability to the Public | Transportation |
| Health & Human Services | Veterans Affairs |
| Labor & Employment | Local or Party Issues |

Individuals at their precinct caucuses can submit resolutions. When a majority of the caucus adopts a resolution, it advances to the Organizing Unit convention for consideration to send to the State Platform, Issues, and Legislative Affairs Committee. Resolutions having support from at least five Organizing Units drawn from at least two Congressional Districts may be selected for consideration at the State Convention (for inclusion in the DFL Ongoing Platform or Action Agenda).

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *(Please print or attach your resolution here. Be concise and use everyday language.)*

You may add a brief explanation or your two or three strongest supportive points here.

WHEREAS, nearly 9,000 people were arrested in 2016 in Minnesota for violating cannabis prohibition laws, cannabis related arrests account for approximately 50% of all narcotic related arrests in Minnesota each year; and

WHEREAS, there are over half a million cannabis consumers in Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota's cannabis prohibition laws give control of cannabis production and distribution to unlicensed and unregulated enterprises, street gangs, and dealers; and

WHEREAS, adult use legalization of cannabis, taxed and regulated, has the potential to create hundreds of millions of dollars in tax revenue; and

WHEREAS, members of minority groups and low-income individuals in Minnesota are disproportionately convicted and incarcerated for cannabis possession and use; in Minnesota, blacks are 7.8 times more likely than whites to be arrested for cannabis possession.

To be filled out at the Precinct Caucus:

This resolution was: Adopted Defeated