YAVGOP RESOLUTION 1003 – SOLIDARITY WITH CHINESE MINORITY GROUPS AND CONDEMNATION OF FORCED ORGAN HARVESTING

Expressing solidarity with Chinese minority groups such as Christians, Falun Gong, Uyghurs, Muslims, and Tibetans who have lost lives, freedoms, and other rights for adhering to their beliefs and practices and condemning the practice of non-consenting organ harvesting.

WHEREAS These groups are spiritual disciplines which consist of spiritual and moral teachings, and,

WHEREAS the Constitution of the People's Republic of China guarantees basic rights, including the freedoms of speech, association, demonstration, and religion; and,

WHEREAS the U.N. Committee Against Torture and the Special Rapporteur on Torture have expressed concern over the allegations of forced organ harvesting; and,

WHEREAS voluntary and informed consent is the precondition for ethical organ donation, and international medical organizations state that prisoners, are not in the position to give free consent; and,

WHEREAS the organ transplantation system in China does not comply with the World Health Organization's requirement of transparency and traceability in organ procurement pathways; and,

WHEREAS UN Human Rights experts (June 2021) expressed extreme alarm at reports of 'organ harvesting' targeting minorities, including Falun Gong practitioners, Uyghurs, Tibetans, Muslims and Christians, in detention in China.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Yavapai County Republican Party

- (1) expresses solidarity with Chinese minority groups, and their families;
- (2) condemns the practice of non-consenting organ harvesting in any country or location on our planet Earth;
- (3) calls on all countries and entities immediately to end the practice of organ harvesting from all prisoners;
- (4) urges all Arizona legislators to enact legislation prohibiting forced organ harvesting.

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