



TITLE: A RESOLUTION acknowledging the events of January 6, 2021, at the United States Capitol and recognizing the citizens who have been held without due process

An identical RESOLUTION as offered in the Kentucky State Senate by esteemed Senator Lindsey Tichenor, District 6, acknowledging the events of January 6, 2021, at the United States Capitol and recognizing the citizens who have been held without due process.

WHEREAS, citizens from across the United States, including this Commonwealth exercised their First Amendment rights of free speech and assembly to express their frustration with the electoral process on January 6, 2021; and

WHEREAS, many of the citizens who assembled on January 6, 2021, have been wrongfully detained for exercising their constitutional rights; and

WHEREAS, many of the January 6 protestors, including many citizens of this Commonwealth, have been unconstitutionally held without the right to due process and the right to a speedy trial by a jury of their peers; and

WHEREAS, the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution mandate that a person shall not "be deprived of life, liberty, or property without due process of law"; and

WHEREAS, information on the events that led to the January 6, 2021, riots has been rapidly evolving as more becomes known to the public; and

WHEREAS, much of the information to which the public has a right to know regarding January 6, 2021, has been withheld from the public; and

WHEREAS, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, Michael Johnson, has released footage of the events that led to the January 6, 2021, riots so that the people can make intelligent and informed conclusions about what happened on January 6; and

WHEREAS, in spite of efforts to provide all relevant information as to what led to the January 6, 2021, riots, much of that information is still being withheld from the public; and

WHEREAS, as information about January 6, 2021, continues to be withheld from the public, many citizens, including citizens of this Commonwealth, continue to be unconstitutionally detained for exercising their constitutional rights; and

WHEREAS, the rights of freedom of speech, freedom of assembly, and due process are essential to a functioning democracy and are constitutionally guaranteed to all citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Republican Party of Kentucky acknowledges the pressure and duress that many innocent January 6 protestors have endured, having been wrongfully accused or detained as prisoners in Washington, D.C., and whose lives and their families, have been adversely damaged while exercising their constitutional rights;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it resolved that the Republican Party of Kentucky hereby acknowledge the events of January 6, 2021, and recognize those citizens who have been wrongfully held without due process.