

# 2024 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:

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, & Land Stewardship             | Media, Internet, & Information                    |
| Civil, Human, & Constitutional Rights             | National Security & International Policy          |
| Community Development & Local Business            | Natural Resources & the Environment               |
| Consumer Protection                               | Public Safety & Crime Prevention                  |
| Corporate & Business Accountability to the Public | Racial, Ethnic, Gender, LGBTQ, & Economic Justice |
| Education   | Retirement Security                               |
| Energy & Climate                                  | 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. If a majority of the caucus adopts a resolution, it advances to the Organizing Unit convention for consideration to send to the State Platform and Issues 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).

**RESOLUTION TITLE (limited to 5 words):** Save Medicare from Total Privatization

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

the MN Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party affirm opposition to Medicare privatization and urge our federal legislators and the Biden Administration to LEVEL THE PLAYING FIELD as a first step towards increasing healthcare equity by (1) adding benefits to traditional Medicare now only offered in private Medicare Advantage plans (adding vision, dental and hearing, eliminating the 20% Medicare co-pays and setting an out-of-pocket cap), (2) eliminating the excessive administrative costs and profits in the Medicare Advantage and ACO-REACH programs, and (3) 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 use the money thus saved to support a robust Traditional Medicare system that will lower costs and improve benefits, access and equity for all beneficiaries.

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

1. Traditional Medicare was created in 1965 as a public good to provide a national health care system for seniors and the disabled in the United States and has proven to be efficient and effective with administrative costs accounting for only 2-3% of Medicare spending 2. Recent reports by the HHS Inspector General, academic researchers, and investigative journalists have uncovered wide-ranging fraudulent practices, confirming that upcoding, delaying medically necessary care, and the denial of claims by insurers and other private businesses managing Medicare claims, together account for defrauding Medicare many billions of dollars annually.3. Insurer are fiercely lobbying to gain a larger share of the soon-to-be \$1.6 trillion of annual Medicare spending.

*To be filled out at the Precinct Caucus:*

This resolution was:  Adopted  Defeated