



Washington County Republican Committee

December 12, 2011

State Republican Platform Committee (via email)
Chairman John Frary
9 Higgins Street
Augusta, Maine 04330

Dear Chairman Frary,

At the November 18th meeting of the Washington County Republican Committee, Washington County Platform Committee Representative Kathleen Caso gave an update on the proceedings of the Platform Committee. After discussion amongst the group, a clear majority of the voting members present remained in favor of the principles set forth in the 2010 platform as adopted at the State Convention.

Understanding the importance of the upcoming election and the undoubted media attention that will be brought to bear upon it, it would seem as though the platform committee would wish to steer clear of another public "platform debate". Certain aspects of the media will certainly use this as fodder to cast dispersions upon the party that would be both unwarranted and unneeded.

Also it should not be lost on anyone that much of the new energy within the party is what resulted in such a vigorous platform debate in 2010 and in this upcoming election we will certainly need all the energy we can get. Therefore based upon our committee's majority opinion we would hope your committee embraces as much of the existing platform as is possible going forward.

All the Best,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christopher M. Gardner".

Christopher M. Gardner - Chair
Washington Co Rep Committee

Cc: Charles Mahaleris
Michelle Dale
Kathleen Caso



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