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THE COALITION PARTY

Balance and foresight are the guiding principles of the Coalition Party. Our nation should be an attractive option for all those who wish to take part in the future structuring of our society. Human rights, equal opportunities, diversity, freedom, responsibility and respect for different views of life constitute a strong basis for this. The Coalition Party believes our nation's competitiveness must be strengthened. The Coalition Party will promote the development of social infrastructure, transportation, health and education and a dynamic and competitive economy that will benefit people all over the country. A prerequisite for progress towards improved living standards is economic stability so that the country's resources and its current economic recovery will also benefit future generations.

The Coalition Party prioritizes health issues and a well functioning society. Emphasis must be placed on all citizens having access to good health care regardless of their financial situation and place of residence. By supporting medical research and scientific advances, our children will thrive.

The Coalition Party believes that a financial safety net must be provided for American citizens who have fallen upon hardship. However, we do not support "handouts." We believe in innovative reforms such as requiring physically able citizens to participate in community service in exchange for benefiting from welfare programs.

The Coalition Party believes economic diversity will be increased through investments in, or other incentives for, creative industries, green industry, such as environmentally friendly technological development and manufacturing, intellectual property and knowledge-intensive industries and increased research and development. While striving towards positive economic outcomes, the Coalition Party believes those advances can not come at the expense of our environment or financial stability.

The Coalition Party believes good diplomacy, not forceful military invasion, is the most effective way to achieve national security. Using military force rarely solves security problems, but instead creates more hatred against our country. When possible, we should seek to work alongside the world community towards a greater peace.

The Coalition Party believes that illegal aliens should be treated fairly and an affordable path to citizenship should be prioritized over deportation. We believe that immigrants are one of the pillars upon which this nation is supported and we should seek to allow as many as possible as we also seek to promote national security and economic stability.

The Coalition Party believes the nation's prosperity and development of the knowledge society depends on requires a strong educational system that offers varied programs and supports the economy. Our nation's education system, from Kindergarten to College, must provide students with the tools necessary to shape a positive tomorrow. Sacrifices must be made in order to pay to shape the minds of our nation's youth.

The Coalition Party supports broad consensus in the labour market, responsibility in state finances and stability in the exchange-rate policy and monetary matters. Prudence must be exercised in public finances and disciplined and transparent procedures must be applied at all times in public policy-making and administration. To create stability in our nation's economic markets a bottom-up approach must be made; breaking apart this nation's corrupt bureaucratic financial system.

Work will be undertaken to build trust in the fundamental institutions of society. Care must be taken to ensure that representatives of different opinions have sufficient time to present their views before legislation is finalized and passed. We believe caution is better than haste.

In all its functions, the government will observe good governance practices and administrative transparency. We believe government exists to protect the possibility of prosperity for the people.

The Coalition Party believes that there are issues that are best handled by the government, however, that does not mean all issues are best handled by the government.

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THE IMPACT PARTY

Reform and transformative action are the guiding principles of the Impact Party. Returning our government to its founding principles is at the forefront of all that we strive for.

The Impact Party supports equal access to and accountability for education. School administrators, teachers, and school boards must be held accountable for student learning and performance without “teaching to the test” or being overburdened with repeated standardized testing. A quality education for our citizens is the cornerstone of our country’s future. Without an educated electorate and workforce, our nation will not be able to maintain and improve our standard of living.

The Impact Party supports energy independence from foreign sources. Energy independence from foreign sources means that our nation must invest both in increasing conventional domestic sources such as coal, oil, and natural gas but also must emphasize new technologies that make those resources more efficiently used and must drive toward the use of alternative energy technologies such as solar, wind, thermal depolymerization of organic waste, and biofuels.

The Impact Party supports safeguarding our nation’s natural resources balanced with the need for economic development. Safeguarding our natural resources balanced with the need for economic development means that we must be good stewards of land, air, and water resources. Development needs must take into account the value of natural conservation and vice versa, and must always look at the long-term impact on quality of life.

We recognize current trade policies have failed and resulted in the export of our manufacturing job base which sustains our nation’s middle class. The Impact Party calls for the repeal or revision of current trade agreements.

Our nation’s elected leaders have a primary responsibility to assure that our nation’s economic security takes priority in any trade policy decision.

The Impact Party supports policies and programs that best guarantee the security of our national borders, the safety of our citizens and the economic interests of our country. Guaranteeing the security of our national borders means that we must have the ability to monitor and manage all traffic crossing our land or sea borders.

We believe that illegal aliens should not be allowed to benefit from taxpayer funded programs and that sanctuary cities should be eliminated. We stress the importance of deporting all illegal aliens who have criminal histories of any sort.

The Impact Party supports affordable and accessible healthcare based on informed decisions between doctor and patient. Care managed between doctor and patient means that we must remove barriers which prevent doctors and patients from making sound medical decisions. We believe there must be real comprehensive healthcare reform, which includes physician accountability, elimination of junk medical lawsuits, quality of care, reduced cost, and adequate coverage. We also believe in a slow phase out of government interference with healthcare. The private sector, and private institutions, should primarily be providing healthcare.

The Impact Party supports fair taxation policies without prejudice or special interest exceptions. A fair taxation policy without prejudice or special interest exemptions means the tax code must be reviewed and reformed to create a new tax system that will stimulate economic development, is fundamentally fair, eliminates corporate welfare, excludes loopholes, and would be sufficient to pay for essential federal government operations.

The Impact Party believes that government interference in any sector of society should be limited. We support the disestablishment of government agencies that have proven to be wasteful and unconstitutional.