

**DRAFT v.2 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF**  
**WASHINGTON COUNTY, OREGON**  
WashCoDems 2016-026

**Regarding Support for the Standing Rock Sioux in Opposition to the Dakota Access Pipeline (DAPL)**

**WHEREAS** the Dakota Access Pipeline (DAPL) that is proposed to run through land sacred to the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe has, and will continue to have, negative impacts on the Tribe's water supplies, natural resources, ancestral lands, and sacred sites; and

**WHEREAS** placing this DAPL pipeline in this location without full federal cultural, environmental, and historical reviews as may be required under the Natural Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Clean Water Act (CWA), and the Rivers and Harbors Act (RHA) will not only impact the Sioux Tribe but also native communities who have called this area home since time immemorial; and

**WHEREAS** the proposed DAPL, carrying approximately 470,000 barrels of crude oil per day, will cross under the Missouri River which provides water to approximately 18 million individuals; and

**WHEREAS** water is essential to life as we know it: and

**WHEREAS** the construction of the DAPL is diametrically opposed to the goal, set by President Obama, of an 83% reduction in the use of fossil fuels by 2050: and

**WHEREAS** the construction of the pipeline, as well as any pipeline ruptures, in addition to the distribution and consumption of the oil it carries, will contaminate our air, land, and water; and

**WHEREAS** the Democratic Party of Washington County (DPWC) supports resolutions and legislation to reduce the consumption of fossil fuels in Oregon and in the U.S:

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF WASHINGTON COUNTY (DPWC) THAT:**

- 1) The DPWC supports the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and other communities that oppose the construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline.
- 2) The DPWC will request that the Democratic Party of Oregon take an official stand in conformance with this Resolution.
- 3) The DPWC will forward copies of this Resolution to our Congressional delegation, to the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, and to all Oregon Tribal Councils.

Resolution introduced: David Carlson, 9/10/16; passed w/ amendments by P&RC, 9/12/16.