

# A Resolution to Discourage Felon Disenfranchisement

- 1   **WHEREAS,**    Over five million Americans of voting age are disenfranchised based on  
2                   felony convictions; and
- 3   **WHEREAS,**    These disenfranchised felons represent a significant portion of the  
4                   voting-age population; and
- 5   **WHEREAS,**    Preventing felons from voting denies the democratic values of this country  
6                   and hinders their process of reintegration into the community; and
- 7   **WHEREAS,**    These restrictions disproportionately affect certain demographics; now,  
8                   therefore, be it
- 9   **RESOLVED,**   That the Congress here assembled make the following recommendation  
10                  for states placing restrictions on felon voting to reconsider these laws in  
11                  favor of allowing more citizens the opportunity to vote.  
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