RESOLUTION

Whereas, the taxpayers of Kansas have endured many years of spiking property taxes and,

Whereas, in some counties taxpayers have suffered from double digit increases in valuations and the resulting property tax increases from those valuations and,

Whereas, 26 states in the Union have some version of a cap on property taxes and,

Whereas, the people of Kansas are suffering under the weight and burden of these oppressive taxes causing some senior citizens to lose their homes and others to have to move out of the state because of high property taxes and,

Whereas, it is the duty of the legislature to act to cap these property taxes and,

Whereas, a State Constitutional Amendment to cap property taxes is currently under consideration in the legislature SCR 1603 which would enact a 3% cap with a provision allowing future legislatures to drop the 3% to a lower percentage if they see fit in the future:

We therefore the members of the Republican State Committee call on the Kansas House and the Kansas Senate to enact SCR 1603 with a 3% cap, and send it to the voters for their approval, the Committee also encourages adoption of any other property tax reforms that may be offered to help to reduce the heavy burden this type of taxation places upon the citizens of Kansas.