

MINNESOTA DFL RESOLUTION FORM

(Submit one resolution per form and one subject per resolution)

The State DFL Ongoing Platform embodies the principles of the Minnesota Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party. The State DFL Action Agenda is a set of recommended public policy positions which the party supports and will promote during the next two years. This form must be completely filled out for a resolution to be considered.

Congressional District: <input type="text"/>	Organizing Unit: <input type="text"/>	Precinct: <input type="text"/>
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Proposed by: _____
(Name) (City) Contact Phone # / E-mail

This resolution should be considered under the following category: *[check one]*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture & Food | <input type="checkbox"/> Media & Internet Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business & Community Development | <input type="checkbox"/> National Security & International Policy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil, Human & Constitutional Rights | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Natural Resources & the Environment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Consumer Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety & Crime Prevention |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Security |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy | <input type="checkbox"/> Tax & Budget Policy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government Accountability to the Public | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health & Human Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans Affairs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Labor & Employment | <input type="checkbox"/> Local or Party Issues |

Individuals at their precinct caucuses can submit resolutions. When a majority of the caucus adopts a resolution, it advances to the Organizing Unit convention for consideration to send to the State Platform, Issues, and Legislative Affairs Committee. Resolutions having support from at least five Organizing Units drawn from at least two Congressional Districts may be selected for consideration at the State Convention (for inclusion in the DFL Ongoing Platform or Action Agenda).

RESOLUTION TITLE

Get the Lead Out

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: *(Please print or attach your resolution here. Be concise and use everyday language.)*

Ban the use of lead ammunition and fishing tackle containing lead or other toxic materials.

You may add a brief explanation or your two or three strongest supportive points here.

- Federal law bans lead in waterfowl shot and in hunting generally on federal land. Voluntary compliance has been tried in Minnesota but according to the DNR it has failed.
- There is strong evidence that loons and other waterfowl are threatened by lead tackle in Minnesota lakes. Eagles are particularly threatened because, like Condors in California (where lead is largely banned in order to protect Condors), they are often scavengers, and consume lead-shot containing deer entrails left by hunters (there is no evidence that Minnesota hunters avoid leaving lead behind).
- Many states have chosen to ban the use of lead, all or in part, in fishing and/or hunting, based on studies showing the damage lead does to wildlife. The DNR rejects a wholesale ban on lead because many other states only ban some use of lead, and because about half of the hunters in the state prefer to keep using lead. It is not clear that the DNR has taken environmental impacts seriously in their consideration of this matter.

To be filled out at the Precinct Caucus:

This resolution was: **Adopted** **Defeated**