

Resolution of Rebuke of State Senator Bill Anderson

The Woodbury County Republican Central Committee is made up of individuals from across Woodbury County who are elected at the precinct level. State Senator Bill Anderson is currently a voting member of this committee. This resolution is approved by the undersigned voting members of the central committee.

WHEREAS, State Senator Anderson voted "yes" Feb. 24 on Senate File 257; and

WHEREAS, the above action resulted in a law which raises lowans' gas taxes by over 45%, and imposed a \$1 billion tax increase on his fellow lowans; and

WHEREAS, the above action makes Iowa's gas tax 13th highest in the nation, with Illinois currently 15th; and

WHEREAS, every reputable county-wide and state-wide poll found Republicans opposing the gas tax increase up to the day of the vote, which led to the same being true of a bipartisan majority of all lowans up to the day of the vote; and

WHEREAS, State Senator Anderson's vote violates the Woodbury County Republican platform, and all four District Republican platforms, which each have express opposition language for a gas tax increase, approved by elected Republican members of platform committees in all 99 Iowa counties; and

WHEREAS, State Senator Anderson provided an additional vote for this tax increase to pass, which allowed liberal democrats supportive of this tax increase to vote "no" in order to save face; and

WHEREAS, State Senator Anderson's decision to vote for a tax increase after campaigning against tax increases, is an act of cowardice if the state senator assumes voters will forget his actions when he is up for re-election in 2018; and

WHEREAS, State Senator Anderson retroactively claims in defense of his actions, that his vote was intended to "fast-track" new construction, specifically what he called "four lane development projects" which he further said includes Highway 20, US-30, and Highway 61 in southeast Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the above claim directly contradicted the prevailing and previous claim that such a gas tax increase would fund only needed repairs and not new construction; and

WHEREAS, State Senator Anderson used "bait and switch tactics" which betrayed not only those opposed to the gas tax, but also those supportive of its use only for needed repairs; and

WHEREAS, State Senator Anderson's "deal" in regards to new construction on Highway 20 was nothing more than capitulation to the House Majority Leader Mike Gronstal, and the Speaker of the House, which he previously took the extraordinary step of voting with the committee majority opposed to the tax increase. He then turned around and voted to support the tax increase in order to get the deal he wanted.

WHEREAS, the undersigned members of the Woodbury County Republican Central Committee have discussed this resolution and have approved it by a majority vote.

WHEREAS, by his voting actions, State Senator Anderson has demonstrated contempt and arrogance towards those members of the Republican Party who support core Republican beliefs; and

WHEREAS, bipartisan bills are not justifiable simply because they are bipartisan; and

WHEREAS, Woodbury County Republican Chairman Kevin Alons refused repeated attempts to allow a vote in accordance with our bylaws on such a resolution at the regular March 12, 2015 central committee meeting.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the undersigned members of the Woodbury County Republican Central Committee hereby issues this formal rebuke of State Senator Bill Anderson for his disingenuous cooperation and support of the gas tax increase, and that State Senator Anderson do the following:

- Resign from the Woodbury County Republican Central Committee, effective immediately.
- Stop kowtowing to special interests, and publicly apologize to his constituents.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, the conduct of State Senator Anderson, is unbecoming a member of the Iowa State Senate, weakened Republican leadership in the area, and is hereby strongly rebuked and condemned.

This resolution is signed as proposed, without amendment, by the undersigned voting members of the Woodbury County Republican Central Committee.

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20	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Printed Name]</i>
3	<i>Chris Rosener</i>	CHRIS ROSENER
12	<i>Sharon K. Hanks</i>	Sharon K. Hanks
4	<i>Thomas Welsh</i>	THOMAS WELSH
27	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Printed Name]</i>
6	<i>Nial Dean Erickson</i>	NIAL DEAN ERICKSON
32	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Printed Name]</i>
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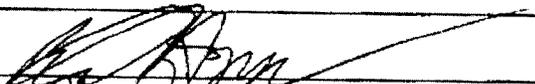
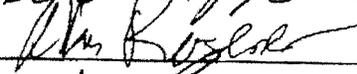
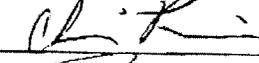
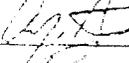
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21		Roy Adbell
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6		Joshua Chase Gordon
38		Thomas R. Nettleton
10		Aaron J. Rochester
25		Steve Karsene
22		Dan Stewart

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37	<i>Dorothy C Mead</i>	Dorothy C. Mead
13	<i>Carmel Casaday</i>	Carmel Casaday
37	<i>Larry Mead</i>	LARRY Mead
20	<i>Tina Queen</i>	Tina Queen
15	<i>Renée Simon</i>	Renée Simon
3	<i>Bill Anderson</i>	Bill Anderson

