



Republican National Committee

RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE LIFE, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, AND MEMORY OF BORAH VAN DORMOLEN

Whereas, on March 11, 2013 the Republican National Committee lost a patriot, a faithful soldier, a true champion and beloved current RNC member in Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Borah Van Dormolen; and

Whereas, the Republican National Committee wishes to honor the many achievements of Borah Van Dormolen as a soldier, a private citizen and a political activist; and

Whereas, Borah Van Dormolen, who was once wheelchair-bound after childhood polio, with determination, used her God-given talents to represent our nation as a swimmer in the 1968 Summer Olympics in Mexico City; and

Whereas, Borah Van Dormolen served our great nation with distinction in the United States Army for twenty-three years, achieved the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, and taught future officers at the United States Military Academy at West Point; and

Whereas, Borah Van Dormolen and her husband Richard Castle, made their community of Salado, her state of Texas, and her nation a better place to live not only by establishing a successful business, but by advancing conservative ideals and principles and generously giving of time and finances nationally, statewide, and locally; and

Whereas, Borah Van Dormolen served the state of Texas by working tirelessly with grassroots activists for decades and served as president of Texas Federation of Republican Women where she took a leading role in attracting women to the Republican Party and personally mentored and served as an example for hundreds of women in the state of Texas who are currently in leadership positions; and

Whereas, Borah Van Dormolen has been a leader, an advisor, and a friend to candidates and elected officials from the White House to the courthouse including Texas Governors, United States Senators, and many Members of the United States House of Representatives; and

Whereas, Borah Van Dormolen has served her great State of Texas on the Texas State Republican Party Executive Committee and was present and leading at the most recent meeting one week prior to her passing; and

Whereas, Borah Van Dormolen was a 2013-14 Trustee and instrumental in the founding and success of "Maggie's List," a political action committee focused on recruiting, training, and promoting women running for congressional office throughout the country; and

Whereas, Borah Van Dormolen has served our nation on the Republican National Committee with high distinction during her service as National Committeewoman from the State of Texas, where she was preparing to join the Rules Committee; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Republican National Committee joins with the Texas Federation of Republican Women and the Republican Party of Texas to proudly honor and celebrate the life and many accomplishments of our dear friend, Borah Van Dormolen, and extend our heartfelt condolences to her husband, Rich Castle; and her family and the many who called her a friend, and be it finally

Resolved, Lieutenant Colonel Borah Van Dormolen left this life far too early; therefore with the utmost respect for her passing we commit to carry on Borah's legacy by working to uphold the conservative causes she fought hard to advance.

As adopted by the Republican National Committee on April 12, 2013.