

New GOP Agenda Omits Historic Cultural Stand

The Republican National Committee has approved a new party platform, promoted by former President Donald Trump, that scales back explicit GOP opposition to abortion, dropping the party's push for a federal abortion ban for the first time in 40 years.

Since the new policy doesn't call for a national ban, that effectively leaves the issue up to the states to decide abortion restrictions.

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The Family Research Council's Tony Perkins, an elected member of the RNC platform committee, had warned about the proposed change in advance. He told CBN News he was fighting to keep a pro-life declaration in the party platform.

"America can't be great until it's morally good. It has to have that foundation," Perkins had noted.

Several sources who were briefed on the contents of the new document say it does declare, "We believe that the 14th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States guarantees that no person can be denied life or liberty without due process and that the states are, therefore, free to pass laws protecting those rights."

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At least one pro-life group is offering a positive outlook about that statement.

SBA Pro-Life America President Marjorie Dannenfelser stated, "It is important that the GOP reaffirmed its commitment to protect unborn life today through the 14th Amendment. Under this amendment, it is Congress that enacts and enforces its provisions. The Republican Party remains strongly pro-life at the national level."

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