

**RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND
HONORING THE MEMORY OF DAVE BITNER**

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2011, the Republican National Committee lost a dear friend and valued member of our Republican family in the passing of Dave Bitner; and,

WHEREAS, the Republican National Committee wishes to recognize and honor Dave's life and his legacy of public service; and,

WHEREAS, Dave was a life-long Republican who was raised with conservative roots growing up and working on a farm in Maryland and then moving to Florida; and,

WHEREAS, Dave was elected to the Florida state legislature in 1992 and quickly earned the reputation of being a hardworking conservative leader who helped to lead the Republican resurgence in Florida; and,

WHEREAS, in 2000 Dave was asked by then Florida Governor Jeb Bush, and agreed to travel the state campaigning on behalf of George W. Bush for President; and,

WHEREAS, after leaving the Florida state legislature Dave founded the government consulting firm, Bitner & Associates where he was able to not only advance his long-lived conservative principles, but also his love for baseball as his firm represented several Major League teams; and

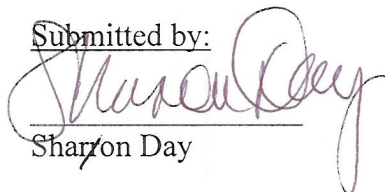
WHEREAS, Dave continued to work hard as a grassroots activist serving as a Jefferson County precinct committeeman and member of the Jefferson County Republican Executive Committee; and

WHEREAS, in 2011 Dave was elected Chairman of the Republican Party of Florida where, in his short tenure, was able to make great strides leading the Party; and

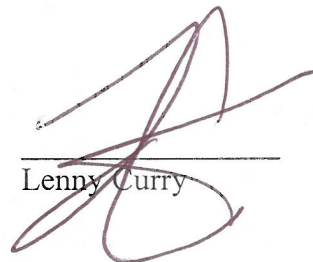
WHEREAS, in April 2011 Dave was diagnosed with ALS yet stayed on as state chairman of the Republican Party of Florida until the disease no longer enabled him to do so; and

RESOLVED, that the Republican National Committee celebrates the memory of our friend Dave Bitner and expresses its heartfelt condolences to the entire Bitner family.

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