

The following Resolution was adopted by the Democratic National Committee at its meeting on March 10, 2018, in Washington, DC.

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***Resolution to Protect Social Security from Republican Attacks***

**WHEREAS**, the Democratic Party believes that a secure retirement is a key component to realizing the American Dream. The Democratic Party is proud to be the party that created Social Security. This hallmark of America's social safety net has some connection to nearly every U.S. citizen through one of its programs: retirement, survivor and disability insurance; and,

**WHEREAS**, Social Security keeps millions of people out of poverty each year and allows seniors to retire with dignity and respect; and,

**WHEREAS**, for decades Republicans have been hell-bent on attacking this crucial benefit through attempts to cut, privatize or otherwise weaken Social Security. and

**WHEREAS**, after adding \$1.5 trillion dollars to the deficit last year by slashing taxes for millionaires and billionaires, Republicans once again began talking about cutting social security and other entitlements as a way to reduce the deficit; and

**WHEREAS**, President Trump reportedly told his Republican colleagues that he would be ready to go after social security on the first day of his second term in office;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Democratic National Committee opposes Republican efforts to slash benefits for current Social Security recipients, privatize the Social Security system, or otherwise jeopardize the long-term viability of Social Security.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Democratic National Committee promotes work to guarantee timely benefits and high-quality service to Social Security recipients for generations to come.