

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 Commending DNC Chairman Tom Perez for Instituting a Paid Internship Program at the DNC***

**WHEREAS**, internships help students gain work experience in the professional world before and after graduation but often offer no compensation to young people who are attempting to make ends meet while their families are trying to manage the rising costs of a college education; and

**WHEREAS**, many talented students, especially from under-represented communities, are part of a demographic that is among the most loyal supporters of the Democratic Party, but cannot participate in unpaid internships because they do not offer compensation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Democratic Party needs to recruit and retain passionate and skilled young professionals in order to compete and win in upcoming elections; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Democratic National Committee membership commends Chairman Tom Perez, a former Labor Secretary, who understands the needs of Working Americans, for authorizing stipends for students who participate in the DNC internship program; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Democratic National Committee membership encourages all Democratic Party committees and campaigns to prioritize investing resources in their young staff and volunteers to encourage the long-term participation and growth of our Party.