

**Resolution to the Benton County Republican Party
Opposing the Implementation or use of Shari'a Law in
Benton County, WA**

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39 **WHEREAS**, the imposition or recognition of Shari'a law in any form within U.S. courts, communities, or
40 institutions threatens the civil liberties of all Americans; and
41 **WHEREAS**, according to Islamists, the Quran, the Sunnah, and the Hadiths are the supreme law^{2,3}, "the
42 Quran is our constitution"⁴, "only one law will prevail", etc. Under Shari'a law every aspect must come under
43 Islamic law including, religion, political, societal, educational, family, media and finances⁵; and
44 **WHEREAS**, Shari'a law influenced practices have been reported in various U.S. states, and
45 **WHEREAS**, some Islamic groups have committed fraud and misuse of government and public funds and
46 these funds are often going to fundamental (extreme) Islamic groups⁶; and
47 **WHEREAS**, fundamental (extreme radical) Islamic terrorists organizations such as the Muslim Brotherhood⁷,
48 Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR)⁷, North American Islamic Trust (NAIT), Muslim Student
49 Association (MSA), etc. are gaining support and exist in every state and most communities; and
50 **WHEREAS**, schools are openly teaching Islamic and Shari'a law traditions as suggested by terrorist group
51 CAIR⁸, such as visiting mosques⁹, encouraging Islamic prayer in schools, and celebrating "World Hijab Day"¹⁰
52 ; and
53 **WHEREAS**, Islamic groups are purchasing land and creating Muslim only communities (enclaves) and "no-go
54 zones" where only Muslims are welcome; and
55 **WHEREAS**, upward of 12 million illegal aliens crossed the U.S. borders in 4 years without being vetted,
56 including the over 300 with terror ties¹¹; and
57 **WHEREAS**, Washington State Governor Ferguson signed into law a bill recognizing two Muslim holidays¹²,
58 making Washington the first state to do so; and
59 **WHEREAS**, the Republican Party is committed to preserving American values, protecting individual rights,
60 and ensuring that no foreign or incompatible legal system supplants our constitutional framework.

61 62 **Section 4 - Resolution**

63 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Benton County Republican Party that:

- 64 1. We oppose any attempt to implement, recognize, or apply Shari'a law in Benton County; the cities of
65 Benton City, Kennewick, Prosser, Richland, and West Richland; Legislative Districts 8, 14, 15, and 16; the
66 State of Washington, or any jurisdiction within the United States.
- 67 2. We call upon the elected and appointed officials of Benton County ; the cities of Benton City, Kennewick,
68 Prosser, Richland, and West Richland; Legislative Districts 8, 14, 15, and 16; and the Washington State

- 69 Legislature to enact legislation explicitly prohibiting the use of Shari'a law in state courts, arbitration, or
70 public institutions, similar to measures adopted in other states.
- 71 3. We call upon elected and appointed officials to uphold Article IV, Section IV of the U.S Constitution that
72 guarantees a Republican Form of Government to every state, such that Shari'a law in any form will not
73 be allowed in Benton County or Washington State.
- 74 4. We urge local, state, and federal officials to prioritize enforcement of U.S. and Washington State laws to
75 prevent the encroachment of incompatible ideologies and no foreign law or legal system may be
76 permitted to usurp it.
- 77 5. We call upon the elected and appointed officials of Benton County ; the cities of Benton City, Kennewick,
78 Prosser, Richland, and West Richland; Legislative Districts 8, 14, 15, and 16; to oppose public
79 announcements of -call to prayer (Adhan), oppose the establishment of enclaves and oppose "no-go"
80 zones.
- 81 6. We recommend foreign nationals and non-citizens using public or government funds that are found to
82 have committed fraud or abuse, be deported immediately after serving their legal sentence.
- 83 7. We oppose groups or businesses associated with Islam, Shari'a law or receiving funding from NAIT (North
84 American Islamic Trust) from purchasing or developing tracts of land in Benton County.
- 85 8. We propose prohibiting courts from enforcing judgments, decrees, or contracts relying on foreign
86 laws that violate the Constitution.
- 87 9. We request denial or revocation of any immigration benefit, visa, immigration relief, or admission to the
88 U.S. to any person who advocates for Shari'a law that is incompatible with the Constitution.
- 89 10. We request invalidation of contract provisions, stipulations, clauses or conditions that are based on
90 Shari'a law.
- 91 11. We request barring application of marriage, divorce, custody, adoption, or inheritance if imposed by
92 Shari'a law.
- 93 12. We recommend courts and judges be prevented from overturning another court's final decision when the
94 original court has found people who adhere to Shari'a shall be deported from the U.S.
- 95 13. We request assurance that any foreign national or illegal alien¹³, who presents false statements
96 about his or her advocacy of Shari'a law to any federal agency, would have his or her immigration
97 benefits, immigration relief, or visa revoked and the person will be turned over to Border Patrol or
98 US Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) for deportation.
- 99 14. We request any person misrepresenting his or her legal status or identity, who is not citizens of the
100 United States be deported.

101 15. We require that Shari'a law shall not be taught in Benton County Schools as a valid legal or religious
102 system.

103 16. We request that Benton County ; the cities of Benton City, Kennewick, Prosser, Richland, and West
104 Richland; Legislative Districts 8, 14, 15, and 16; will not recognize Islam's established holidays.

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106 **Section 5 – Definitions**

107 In this Proposal:

108 (A) Court - The term “court” means any Federal, State, or Territorial court, including arbitration
109 tribunals when decisions are subject to judicial enforcement.

110 (B) Foreign Law - The term “foreign law” means any law, legal code, or system derived from a
111 jurisdiction outside the United States or its territories, including religious law when invoked as a
112 substitute for State or Federal law that is contrary to the US Constitution or Washington State
113 Constitution.

114 (C) Jurisprudence - theory or philosophy of law; a legal system.

115 (D) Theocratic form of government - A theocratic form of government is a system where religious
116 leaders control the government and the state is governed by divine guidance or religious law. In
117 such systems, law and policies are often derived from religious texts, with governance closely tied to
118 spiritual authority.

119 (E) Islamic Fundamentalism - the expression of Islam that stresses strict and literal adherence to a set of
120 basic principles. Most fundamentalists insist on conformity to a code of conduct based on a literal
121 interpretation of sacred scripture.

122 (F) Fundamental Rights - the term “fundamental rights” means rights guaranteed by the Constitution of
123 the United States and by State constitutions, including due process, equal protection, freedom of
124 religion, freedom of speech, and rights related to marriage, child custody, and property.

125 (G) Contract provisions - specific clauses within a contract that define the rights, obligations, and remedies of
126 the parties involved.

127 (H) Sunnah - the practices, teachings, sayings, and silent approvals of the Prophet Muhammad, serving as a
128 foundational, second source of Islamic law and guidance alongside the Quran. It provides a
129 comprehensive model for daily life, encompassing habits, manners, and actions, which are documented in
130 the Hadith literature.

- 131 (I) Hadith - Hadith is the Arabic word for a 'report' or an 'account [of an event]' and refers to the Islamic oral
132 tradition of anecdotes containing the purported words, actions, and the silent approvals of the Islamic
133 prophet Muhammad or his immediate circle (companions in Sunni Islam, Ahl al-Bayt in Shiite Islam).
- 134 (J) CAIR - Council of American Islamic Relations, civil rights group started by the Muslim Brotherhood.
- 135 (K) NAIT - North American Islamic Trust - trust and endowment program that hold the titles to most of nearly
136 4000 mosques in the United States (currently 3,967)¹¹.
- 137 (L) How many mosques are in the United States
138 <https://www.bing.com/search?q=how+many+mosques+are+in+the+united+states>
- 139 (M) Shari'a law or fiqh in Arabic - the human endeavor to interpret and apply Shari'a law.
- 140 (N) Alien - term used in the National Archives for a person who has not been through the process to become
141 an American citizen. <https://www.archives.gov/research/immigration/naturalization>

142 **Section 6 - Application of Shari’a Law**

- 143 (a) Prohibition - No court shall enforce a judgment, decree, or arbitration decision that relies, in whole or in
144 part, on Shari’a law or any foreign law that violates the constitutional rights of any party.
- 145 (b) Contracts - A contract provision choosing foreign law shall be valid unless enforcement would result in a
146 violation of constitutional rights.
- 147 (c) Family Law - In matters involving marriage, divorce, child custody, adoption, or inheritance, no court shall
148 apply or enforce foreign law if inconsistent with fundamental rights or public policy.

149 **Section 7 - Severability**

150 If any provision of this proposal is held invalid, the remainder of the proposal and its application shall not be
151 affected.

152 **Section 8 - Effective Date**

153 This Proposal shall be valid upon approval of the Benton County Republican Party Central Committee.

154 **Section 9 - Direction (Call to Action)**

155 We direct the Benton County Republican Party leadership to advocate for this position in party platforms,
156 communications, and interactions with elected officials.

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158 Adopted this 5th day of March 2026, by the Benton County Republican Party Central Committee.

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