RESOLUTION REMEMBERING THOSE WHO LOST THEIR LIVES IN THE JANUARY 2015 TERROR ATTACKS IN PARIS

WHEREAS, on January 7, 2015, twelve innocent people were killed and eleven wounded by two terrorists targeting the Paris offices of the publication Charlie Hebdo, and five other innocent people were killed by at least one other terrorist in subsequent attacks in the following days;

WHEREAS, these killings were an act of terrorism on the people of France and perpetrated by radical jihadists who seek to destroy those who uphold the values of freedom and liberty;

WHEREAS, over 1.5 million people took to the streets of Paris on Sunday, January 11, 2015, to show their solidarity and to proclaim, “Je suis Charlie”;

WHEREAS, the continued threats to the United States and other countries require us to stand with our allies in the global war on terror;

WHEREAS, the Obama administration has admitted it was a mistake for a higher profile Administration official not to attend the solidarity march alongside other world leaders;

WHEREAS, freedom of the press and freedom of speech are cornerstones of a free society and must be defended; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Republican National Committee stands in solidarity with the people of France in defense of our shared values of freedom of speech and the press and against terrorism;

RESOLVED, that we honor the memory and the lives of the victims;

RESOLVED, that the Republican National Committee proclaims, “Je suis Charlie.”

*As adopted by the Republican National Committee on January 16, 2015.*