RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF THE HONORABLE GOV. TIM BABCOCK

WHEREAS, On April 7, 2015, the Republican Party lost a long-time champion of conservative values with the passing of former Montana Governor Tim Babcock, a stalwart supporter of the GOP;

WHEREAS, The Republican National Committee desires to honor Babcock’s legacy of lifelong service to our party, which continued for nearly half a century after he left public office;

WHEREAS, Tim Babcock’s service to our country began in the European Theatre during World War II, after which he returned home to become a successful businessman and father to two daughters with his beloved wife Betty;

WHEREAS, Elected as Montana’s Lieutenant Governor in 1960, the tragic death of Gov. Donald Nutter in a plane crash caused Babcock to assume the office of Governor in 1962, a position he was reelected to two years later;

WHEREAS, Governor Babcock remained active in GOP politics following his gubernatorial tenure and proudly served as an RNC member and National Committeeman forty years after first assuming statewide office; and

WHEREAS, His attendance at a remarkable 11 straight Republican National Conventions as a delegate or alternate concluded at the 2012 Tampa Convention, where at 92 years old he was the oldest delegate; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Republican National Committee celebrates the life and legacy of the Honorable Governor Tim Babcock, and extends our condolences to his family and friends on the passing of a man whose dedication and selfless efforts as a veteran, statesman, and RNC member exemplify a life of generous service to our country.