

# MINNESOTA DFL RESOLUTION FORM

(Submit one resolution per form and one subject per resolution)

The State DFL Ongoing Platform embodies the principles of the Minnesota Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party. The State DFL Action Agenda is a set of recommended public policy positions which the party supports and will promote during the next two years. This form must be completely filled out for a resolution to be considered.

Congressional District: <input type="text"/>	Organizing Unit: <input type="text"/>	Precinct: <input type="text"/>
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Proposed by: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name) (City) Contact Phone # / E-mail

This resolution should be considered under the following category: *[check one]*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture & Food                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Media & Internet Issues                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business & Community Development        | <input type="checkbox"/> National Security & International Policy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil, Human & Constitutional Rights    | <input type="checkbox"/> Natural Resources & the Environment      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Consumer Issues                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety & Crime Prevention         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Security                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Tax & Budget Policy                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government Accountability to the Public | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation                           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Health & Human Services      | <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans Affairs                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Labor & Employment                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Local or Party Issues                    |

Individuals at their precinct caucuses can submit resolutions. When a majority of the caucus adopts a resolution, it advances to the Organizing Unit convention for consideration to send to the State Platform, Issues, and Legislative Affairs Committee. Resolutions having support from at least five Organizing Units drawn from at least two Congressional Districts may be selected for consideration at the State Convention (for inclusion in the DFL Ongoing Platform or Action Agenda).

**RESOLUTION TITLE (limited to 5 words):** Protect and Extend Medicare/Medicaid

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** *(Please print or attach your resolution here. Be concise and use everyday language.)*

The DFL Congressional delegation support legislation for:

- Capping Medicare out-of-pocket costs for prescription drugs at \$2,000 (introduced by Representatives Nancy Pelosi and Frank Pollone);
- Creating routine hearing, vision, and dental benefits under Medicare (introduced by Representative Lloyd Doggett);
- Protecting Medicare and Medicaid from benefit cuts by making it difficult in the Senate to increase the Medicare legal age, privatize Medicare, reduce Medicaid funding through block grants or per capita caps, or eliminate the ACA Medicaid expansion through budget reconciliation legislation (introduced by Senator Mazie Hirono);
- Covering hearing exams and hearing aids (introduced by Representative Debbie Dingell, HR 1518).

*You may add a brief explanation or your two or three strongest supportive points here.*

Whereas: Many people on Medicare live with health problems including multiple chronic conditions and limitations in their activities of daily living, and many beneficiaries live on modest incomes. In 2016, nearly one third (32%) had a functional impairment, one quarter (25%) reported being in fair or poor health, and more than one in five (22%) had five or more chronic conditions. More than one in seven beneficiaries (15%) were under age 65 and living with a long-term disability, and 12 percent were ages 85 and over. Nearly two million beneficiaries (3%) lived in a long-term care facility. In 2016, half of all people on Medicare had incomes below \$26,200 per person and savings below \$74,350.

Source: <https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Statistics-Trends-and-Reports/ReportsTrustFunds/Downloads/TR2015.pdf>

To be filled out at the Precinct Caucus:

This resolution was:  Adopted  Defeated

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