



PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, INC.

2023 DEMOCRACY RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Progressive National Baptist Convention supports the peaceful transition of power as a fundamental tenet of a democratic society, ensuring the stability and legitimacy of government;

WHEREAS, the Progressive National Baptist Convention believes the President of the United States plays a pivotal role in upholding the democratic process and preserving the Constitution;

WHEREAS, the Progressive National Baptist Convention witnessed on January 6th, 2021, the United States Capitol was stormed by a violent mob, resulting in widespread damage, injuries, and the loss of human lives;

WHEREAS, the Progressive National Baptist Convention, believes it is the duty of every elected official, including the President, to condemn and work to prevent acts of violence, especially when aimed directly at institutions of democracy;

WHEREAS, the Progressive National Baptist Convention believes that all elected officials must refrain from public statements that undermine the integrity elections, which includes promoting baseless claims of voter fraud, perpetuating disinformation, and delegitimizing the election process;

WHEREAS, the Progressive National Baptist Convention condemns elected and any and all elected officials who refuse to accept election results and not offer a peaceful and smooth transition, by violated democratic principles, weakening public trust in the electoral process, and diminishing America's standing in the world;

WHEREAS, the Progressive National Baptist Convention believes that by engaging in any rhetoric that incites supporters and fails to promptly condemn actions of a mob during the democratic process would disregard his/her obligation to uphold the rule of law and the peaceful resolution of disputes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Progressive National Baptist Convention strongly denounces any and who refuse to support the results of the 2020 presidential election and any actions who supports the January 6th Capitol riots;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Progressive National Baptist Convention calls upon all elected officials, both present and future, to prioritize the protection of democratic values, respect for the electoral process, and the preservation of peace and stability within our nation;

Therefore, the Progressive National Baptist Convention encourages individuals and civil society organizations to actively engage in efforts to promote and defend the fundamental principles of democracy, unity, and justice.