

Resolution Requesting that Defending and Strengthening Social Security Remain a Top Priority of Washington's Congressional Representatives & Senators

WHEREAS Social Security is fundamental social insurance for retirees, disabled workers, survivors, and their families, and

WHEREAS there is a concerted attempt among federal office holders to diminish Social Security benefits and increase the age for full retirement, and

WHEREAS Social Security currently has a \$2.6 trillion surplus and is fully funded for more than two decades into the future, and

WHEREAS other retirement resources, such as 401K plans, defined benefit plans, and personal savings have all lost value in the past three years,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

The 36th District Democratic Organization of Washington State requests the President of the United States, United States Senators Patty Murray and Maria Cantwell and our Congressional delegation:

- defend current Social Security benefits
- increase Social Security benefits
- finance these increased benefits by removing the cap on income taxable for employer and employee contributions to Social Security, thereby enabling the most well-off people in the United States to help fund Social Security.

WE REQUEST that this resolution be adopted by the King County Democratic Central Committee and the Washington State Democratic Central Committee.

This resolution was passed unanimously by the Washington state 36th District Democrats on 1/12/2011.