

Resolution 2023-52

RESOLUTION CONDEMNING THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Submitted by Mark Eaton, LD10 Chair

Passed unanimously by the LD10 Committee on April 26, 2023

WHEREAS the Idaho Republican Party is dedicated to protecting the Constitution and the rights of American citizens in Idaho; and

WHEREAS the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) is a federal law enforcement agency tasked with investigating federal crimes and threats to national security; and

WHEREAS the FBI has a long history of misconduct, including abuses of power, entrapment, and other unconstitutional actions that violate the rights of Americans; and

WHEREAS recent revelations have shown that the FBI has engaged in government overreach, including the use of politically motivated investigations, illegal surveillance, and the targeting of political opponents; and

WHEREAS the FBI illegally surveilled, infiltrated, and disrupted civil rights activists, political dissidents, and other individuals considered a threat to national security between the 1950s and 1970s with their program called COINTELPROⁱ; and

WHEREAS FBI informants like Gary Thomas Rowe Jr. were paid and protected by the FBIⁱⁱ while carrying out heinous attacks on the Freedom Riders in 1961, assisted in the 16th Street Baptist Church bombing in 1963 which left 4 young black girls dead, and murdered civil rights activist Viola Liuzzo in 1965ⁱⁱⁱ while undercover with the KKK; and

WHEREAS the FBI illegally surveilled, infiltrated, and disrupted, political dissidents, and other individuals considered a threat to national security between 1991 and 1993 with their program called PATCON^{iv}; and

WHEREAS the FBI siege of a cabin in Ruby Ridge, Idaho in 1992^v, which resulted in the unnecessary deaths of Vicky and Sammy Weaver as well as a U.S. Marshal due to excessive use of force and revised rules of engagement promulgated by the FBI^{vi}, leading to the violation of the rights of the individuals involved; and

WHEREAS the 51-day standoff between the FBI and the Branch Davidian religious group in Waco, Texas in 1993, ended in a preventable, deadly fire that killed 76 people^{vii}, including 25 children, some of whom were shot^{viii}; and

WHEREAS criminals like James “Whitey” Burger, a notorious Boston gangster was allowed to commit numerous crimes including murder while being protected by FBI agents who were receiving information from him^{ix}; and

WHEREAS the FBI obtained a FISA warrant to conduct surveillance on a former Trump campaign adviser, Carter Page, by using a dubiously sourced document known as the “Steel Dossier,” and by falsifying information given to the FISA court in its application for the warrant^x; and

WHEREAS of the 4 defendants in the Gretchen Whitmer kidnapping^{xi} case, 2 were acquitted, and the other 2 were not found guilty, after revelations that they were essentially entrapped by the FBI; and

WHEREAS the New York Times has confirmed^{xii} that *at least* one FBI informant participated in the events of January 6th; and

WHEREAS the Washington Post has confirmed^{xiii} that the FBI had foreknowledge of the events that transpired on January 6th; and

WHEREAS after the events of January 6th, the FBI led a “shock-and-awe campaign,”^{xiv} bringing a swat team of 25 men to arrest Mark Houck^{xv}, a pro-life activist and president of a Catholic ministry that protested a Planned Parenthood facility in 2022, in what appears to be an effort to intimidate the pro-life movement^{xvi}; and

WHEREAS the FBI has targeted the Catholic Latin Mass community^{xvii} with surveillance, undercover agents, and libelous internal memos,^{xviii} which have terrorized and caused harm to these everyday conservative christian patriots; and

WHEREAS the FBI has targeted concerned parents^{xix} who have been outspoken at school board meetings for surveillance; and

WHEREAS the FBI has been weaponized against President Donald J. Trump, by raiding Mar- A-Lago at the unethical, politically motivated behest of Attorney General Merrick Garland

WHEREAS these actions undermine the trust that the American people have in their government and threaten our constitutional rights; and

WHEREAS these actions have directly led to the terrorization of American Citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee condemns the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its misconduct, government overreach, and politically motivated weaponization; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee calls for a reform of the FBI, to ensure that it operates within the confines of the Constitution and respects the rights of American citizens; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the FBI cannot be reformed to operate within the confines of the Constitution with respect for the rights of American citizens, the Idaho Republican State Central Committee supports the abolition of this corrupt government agency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Idaho Republican State Central Committee calls upon the Chairman to transmit this resolution to Senator Mike Crapo, Senator James Risch, Congressman Mike Simpson, Congressman Russ Fulcher, Attorney General Raul Labrador and United States Attorney General Merrick Garland.

ⁱ <https://archive.is/yjWx4>

ⁱⁱ <https://youtu.be/z7Gyzpa7irY>

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^{iv} <https://archive.is/cNCf6>

^v <https://archive.is/uwRrT>

^{vi} <https://archive.is/ZaScV>

^{vii} <https://archive.is/Tpo58>

^{viii} <https://archive.is/VJ9BU>

^{ix} <https://archive.is/wcvdA>

^x <https://archive.is/nlN6x>

^{xi} <https://archive.is/TX6XL>

^{xii} <https://archive.fo/KNNMa>

^{xiii} <https://archive.is/eXBus>

^{xiv} <https://archive.is/yKr29>

^{xv} <https://archive.is/SW71g>

^{xvi} <https://archive.is/bO5X7>

^{xvii} <https://archive.is/Yr9OF>

^{xviii} <https://archive.is/Kusax>

^{xix} <https://archive.is/2jtcW>