

New resolution on Enforcing the Comstock Act:

Whereas, the federal Comstock Act prohibits the mailing or shipment via U.S. Mail or common carriers (including private services like FedEx and UPS) of any article, drug, or substance designed, adapted, or intended to produce abortion; and

Whereas, the federal government has failed to enforce this longstanding law, allowing a massive pipeline of abortion-inducing drugs (such as mifepristone and misoprostol) to be shipped directly into Texas in violation of both federal and Texas law; and

Whereas, these illegal mail-order chemical abortions now account for the vast majority of abortions occurring in Texas despite our state's strong protections for preborn life from fertilization, endangering women with unregulated, unmonitored drugs and circumventing Texas statutes;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Republican Party of Texas calls upon the federal government—particularly the Department of Justice and United States Postal Service—to immediately and vigorously enforce the Comstock Act's prohibitions on mailing or shipping abortion drugs and related materials, thereby shutting down this illegal deadly pipeline and lack of federal enforcement affecting Texas' protecting of innocent preborn life, the health of Texas mothers, and the rule of law.