WHEREAS, ballot measure 2 would legalize, commercialize, and industrialize recreational marijuana in the State of Alaska for adults 21 and over;

WHEREAS, the use and delivery of marijuana is still a violation of federal law under the Controlled Substances Act;

WHEREAS, the use of marijuana has been found to have negative physical, mental, behavioral and social health consequences and is associated with diseases of the heart, brain, lungs, and vascular system in both children and adults;

WHEREAS, the legalization of marijuana is predicted to produce significant net economic costs to the State of Alaska;

WHEREAS, ballot measure 2 will have negative impacts on our workforce, workforce safety, and employability; and

WHEREAS, ballot measure 2 is a measure that would legalize not only marijuana but also potent and dangerous chemical concentrates and drug-infused edibles that appeal to children;

WHEREAS, ballot measure 2 is a harmful measure that ignores the severe problems that have been created by the legalization of recreational marijuana in other states, including public health hazards such as hash oil explosions and deaths from edibles;

WHEREAS, this initiative would result in extensive advertising of marijuana, marijuana concentrates (such as Butane Hash Oil, Shatter, and Earwax) and

WHEREAS, the commercialization and industrialization of marijuana will involve Outside interests seeking to aggressively market to and profit on Alaskans, including young people; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Republican Party voted in favor of a resolution against Ballot Measure 2 at their 2014 State Convention; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Federation of Republican Women support the health and well-being of our communities, adults and children,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Alaska Federation of Republican Women opposes the passage of the initiative to legalize recreational marijuana in Alaska and urges all the member clubs to also take a stance against this initiative in their communities

BE IT FURTHERED RESOLVED THAT, The Alaska Federation of Republican Women urges all members to financially support and engage in volunteer activities to assist the efforts of the Big Marijuana. Big Mistake. Vote No on 2 Campaign.