**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF DA JOINING THE RBT COALITION**

Sponsored by:  Carmelan Polce (DA Australia, Tax Task Force Chair)

Co-sponsored by: Joe Smallhoover (DA France, Tax Task Force)

Supported by: DeeDee Gierow (DA Sweden, Tax Task Force);

Whereas Democrats Abroad has invested heavily in advocacy in support of tax and financial account reporting relief for bona fide Americans abroad; and

Whereas DA reaffirms its commitment to Residency Based Taxation (RBT) as a policy reform that would eliminate double taxation of income, remove barriers to saving and investing and greatly simplify tax filing from abroad; and

Whereas DA believes that the arguments in support of this reform will have a greater impact on lawmakers the greater the number of individuals and organizations that are presenting them; and

Whereas DA has worked in collaboration with many of our colleague organizations representing Americans abroad and in parallel with others; and

Whereas DA has established a strong working relationship with American Citizens Abroad (ACA) in the area of tax advocacy; and

Whereas DA has been approached by ACA who are leading in the establishment of the RBT Coalition for the purpose of demonstrating broad support for RBT and the proposal document is attached to this Resolution; and

Whereas the DA Taxation Task Force Chair and members who have worked with ACA are persuaded that ACA will be faithful to the terms and conditions outlined in the [RBT Coalition proposal document](https://democratsabroad.atlassian.net/wiki/download/attachments/6731497642/Talking%20Paper-RBT%20Coalition%20February%202021%20210203.docx?api=v2) and will guard against “mission creep”; and

Therefore be it resolved that the DPCA voting members approve of DA becoming a member of the RBT Coalition; and

Be it further resolved that the DPCA reserves its right to withdraw from the RBT Coalition should the RBT Coalition stray from what is profiled in the proposal document or for any other reason the DPCA voting members deem appropriate.