



Democratic National Committee  
Rules and Bylaws Committee  
430 South Capitol Street SE  
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear Committee Members,

I am writing today to express the Nevada State Democratic Party's intention to submit an application for Nevada to continue our early state status and lead our nation's next presidential nominating process in 2024. Our primary calendar should reflect the values of our Democratic Party and Nevada is the right place to host a diverse and inclusive First in the Nation primary going forward. Now is the time to move our battleground state to the front of the nominating calendar for future presidential election cycles.

In 2021, Democratic Governor Steve Sisolak signed into law a statute passed by the Nevada State Legislature that moved our state-run primary to the first Tuesday in February of each presidential election year. Our primary will include expanded early voting options and poll hours, automatic vote by mail, and same-day voter registration. We are a majority-minority state offering a mix of urban and rural voters, accessible communities and media markets, strong union representation, and a growing economy. Nevada also provides presidential candidates the ability to prove they can put together the broad coalition needed to win the general election in battleground states.

Our State Party stands in solidarity with Nevada Democrats in this effort, and we are proud of the solid foundations we stand on that have made Nevada a model for how Democrats can win up and down the ballot in a highly competitive state. We respectfully request a nominating calendar that truly reflects the values and diverse communities we ask our elected leaders to represent, and we look forward to presenting and making our case to the DNC Rules and Bylaws Committee to achieve this goal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Judith Whitmer".

Judith Whitmer  
Chair, Nevada State Democratic Party

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