MEMBER APPROVED POLICIES
(AS APPROVED BY THE MEMBERS AT THE 2013 AGM)

I. DEMOCRATIC REFORM

A. Federalism

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

1. … defend Alberta against intrusions by the federal government by protecting the property, legal, constitutional and democratic rights of Albertans.
2. … work with the federal and provincial governments, professional trade organizations and regulatory bodies to ensure that residents of Canada who have recognized qualifications and credentials to practice a trade, skill or profession can carry out business anywhere in Canada.
3. … use all legal means in its power to compel the Federal government to negotiate a more equitable equalization payment system.
4. … oppose the present structure of the federal equalization program, which sees money transferred from Alberta to other provinces to fund social programs, which are not available in Alberta. The Government of Alberta should seek a partnership with other provincial governments to pressure the federal government for reform.

B. Electoral Reform

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

5. … institute fixed election dates for Provincial Elections every 4 years. The Legislative Assembly will be able to call a vote of non-confidence at any time.
6. … be accountable to the people of Alberta by having free votes with the exception of the budget and votes of non-confidence.
7. … institute the right of recall of elected officials if 20% of the electorate (25% if the electorate is less than 1,000) sign a petition calling for such an action.
8. … hold elections for Alberta Senators at the same time as Provincial Elections.
9. … strengthen voting regulations by following Federal identification voting requirements.

C. Government Reform

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

10. … establish an independent agency to determine the compensation, pension, and severance packages of elected governmental officials.
11. … limit the Provincial Cabinet to 16 members.
12. … institute strict conflict of interest guidelines facilitated through the Provincial Ethics Commissioner's office.

13. … establish set dates for Throne Speeches, Budget Announcements, and Legislative Sessions.
14. … institute an open and comprehensive Freedom of Information Act which eliminates unreasonable financial barriers to accessing information.
15. … not increase the number of seats in the Alberta Legislature.
16. … Implement full disclosure of all financial expenditures of public funds. Require organizations that receive public funding from the Provincial Government to disclose annually the positions, salaries and total taxable benefits of employees paid over a certain level in a calendar year. This would apply to the Provincial Government, municipalities, hospitals, school boards, universities, colleges and other public sector employers who receive significant funding from the provincial government.
17. **…** create conflict of interest legislation and regulations for government procurement. The legislation and regulations should i) clearly specify penalties including dismissal of government employees for serious breaches of impartiality and ii) include a mandatory "cooling off" period preventing government employees from going to work for contractors whose procurement awards they have been involved in.

D. Municipal Government

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
18. … follow any downloading of services from the province to municipalities with the appropriate amount of funding.
19. … provide stable, predictable funding to municipalities determined by an objective formula to support short and long-term local decision making.
20. …ensure that crown corporations are subject to local zoning and land-use bylaws.

E. Property Rights

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
21. … further entrench individual property rights within the Alberta Bill of Rights and clarify all aspects of land rights in a single statutory "Land and Property Rights Act".
22.… eliminate land and watershed planning policies that are centrally planned, and create regional plans that support the principle of coordinated local decision making.

F. Human Rights

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
23. … amend the Human Rights Act to unequivocally protect the fundamental rights and freedoms in the Canadian

Charter of Rights and Freedoms by removing section 3 of the current Act and reforming the complaint process to
introduce rules of evidence, the presumption of innocence, and protection from frivolous and vexatious claims.

G. Referenda

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
24. … institute legislation allowing the citizens of Alberta to call for a binding referendum on a matter of significant public concern upon the presentation of a petition signed by at least 10% of the total voters of the last provincial general election.
25 …only invoke the notwithstanding clause following a free vote in the legislative assembly.

II. ECONOMY

A. Agriculture

LAND USE AND PROPERTY RIGHTS
Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
1. … recognize that access to and use of land within a set of predictable and stable rules is crucial to the maintenance of an economical viable agricultural industry.
2. … recognize that it is essential that agricultural producers are involved in the development of legislation and policies affecting their use of land.
3. … recognize that sustainability is a key element of any functioning agricultural system and that the agricultural community is well aware of the need to operate in a way that maintains the long term productivity of the land that they own and manage.
4. … recognize that research and extension of this knowledge are more effective tools than punitive legislation in ensuring that agricultural producers operate in an environmentally sustainable manner.
5. … recognize that affected producers must be compensated for any loss of income that results when society imposes restrictions on the way in which producers operate.

WATER POLICY
Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
6. … maintain and enhance a system of water allocation that is in the public interest with a minimum of government involvement and include the following essential elements:

i) that it respect existing licenses and commitments,
ii) that it be open and transparent,
iii) that it be predictable,
iv) that it have clear and concise rules with objective measurements, and
v) that it be flexible and responsive to change.

MARKETS AND MARKETING

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

7. … ensure that agricultural producers should have the freedom to market their product in whatever quantity and where, when and to whatever buyer they wish.
8. … work with the federal government and directly with other jurisdictions to develop agreements and instruments that will improve access to and the security of international markets for agricultural and food products.
9. … provide the legislative and economic environment within which producers and agri-business can work together to develop domestic and international markets for Alberta agricultural and food products

AGRICULTURE RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

10. … provide a regulatory and business environment that encourages producers and agri-business to develop and apply new technology.
11. … address the issue of intellectual property rights in agriculture research to ensure that the rights of the developers of intellectual property are protected.

REDUCING THE REGULATORY BURDEN

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

12. … in conjunction with the agricultural industry, review all provincial regulations affecting agricultural production and marketing with a view to removing and/or amending those regulations that are no longer relevant.
13. … review the principles governing environmental and food safety regulations to ensure the safety of Alberta's food supply.
14. … work with other jurisdictions to eliminate regulatory duplication affecting agriculture and to ensure that the general regulatory environment is conducive to an internationally competitive industry.
15. … institute an effective sunset provision on all provincial agriculture regulations that will ensure that they are reviewed on a regular basis by government and the affected sectors.

B. Spending Control

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

16. … legislate a cap on year-over-year increases in overall government spending to the rate of inflation plus population growth.
17. … once the budget is brought back into a consolidated balance, legislate mandatory balanced consolidated budgets and the prohibition of debt financing for operations or capital.[i]
18. … prioritize spending towards front line staffing positions and critical core social services such as Health, Education,

Seniors, Policing and Social Supports. Reductions in spending should be targeted at unnecessary bureaucracy, pay and perks for government executives as well as grants to for-profit corporations.

19. … institute ‘pay-as-you-go’ legislation which means that any in-year non-budgeted expenditures approved during that same budget year (excepting emergencies) must be offset by a corresponding decrease in the budget elsewhere.

20. … reduce government waste by requiring all government departments to implement a zero-based budgeting program mandating that every Ministry justify the effectiveness and efficiencies of their expenditures and programs at least once every 3 years.

C. Energy

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

21. … consult extensively with industry prior to introducing policies that affect the energy sector.

22. ... ensure an internationally competitive regulatory and fiscal regime that attracts and retains both upstream and downstream investment.

23. ... streamline regulatory application and approval processes while still protecting the public and environment but expedite investment without excessive expense or delay.

24. … communicate with Albertans about the importance of the oil and gas industry to our province’s economy and future.

25. ... recognize the importance of value added secondary industries, industrial diversification and international expansion of Alberta based companies.

26. … support the private sector as the driving force for technology development and innovation through attractive fiscal and regulatory regimes and a positive business climate.

27. ... consult with the oil and gas sector to develop generic royalty frameworks for enhanced, reservoir-based recovery of conventional oil and natural gas.

28. … actively promote the development of new and existing market access for all resource based industries and products in Alberta.

29. ... promote Alberta as a global centre of energy excellence.

30. ... encourage non-renewable resource developers to engage in environmentally responsible methods of resource extraction.

31. ... examine ways to move electricity generation closer to the end-user so as to improve efficiency and reduce total demand.

32. ... reduce the risk of avoidable electricity price spikes to consumers and businesses.

33. ... improve existing electricity market mechanisms to minimize electricity price escalation.

34. ... work with all stakeholders to make electricity markets as efficient as possible and meet power supply requirements with a minimum of disruption to service or prices.

35. ... develop a market-based system with participation by customers and providers to manage and reduce electricity demand.
36. … promote and encourage micro-generation of electricity by all parties, including industry, individuals and co-ops, and allow them to sell it back to the electrical grid.

D. Financial Transparency

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

37. … implement a government 'Waste Buster' program and website that allows the public and government employees to anonymously report instances of government waste and mismanagement.

38. … strengthen whistleblower protection for all government-paid employees who might wish to report inefficiencies, waste or wrongdoing.
39. … strengthen the office of the Auditor General to conduct more value-for-money audits.
40. … create budget transparency guidelines to ensure government debts and cash deficits are publicly and accurately reported.
41. … mandate public disclosure of the Government's priority list and rationale for all infrastructure projects and maintenance.
42. … guarantee an open tendering and bidding process on all major government-sanctioned and approved procurement and contracts.
43. … end direct government subsidies to individual private for-profit corporations and prohibit government from owning or operating businesses where a competitive business market exists.

E. Responsive Government

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

44. … review and streamline consumer protection legislation and regulations to ensure sufficient protections are being afforded to Albertans while maintaining strong and competitive Alberta markets.
45. … review the costs for services provided and the fee structure for Service Alberta registries to ensure responsible management for Albertans.

F. Forestry

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

46. … permit only ecologically sound and economically sustainable forestry management methods.
47. … invest in research to promote good forest stewardship.
48. … encourage other value-added uses of Alberta's forestry resources.

G. Savings Strategy

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

49. … not transfer any portion of the Heritage Fund (including annual earnings) into general revenues until the total annual earnings from the Fund exceed that of the average annual provincial revenues from oil and gas.
50. … invest at least half of all surpluses in the Heritage Fund until the total annual earnings from the Fund exceed that of the average annual provincial revenues from oil and gas.
51. … direct at least ten percent of surpluses to Alberta municipalities for the purposes of building municipal infrastructure.
52. … direct remaining surpluses to one or more of the following (not listed in order of importance):
    i) pay down or offset the debts and liabilities incurred by past governments;
    ii) sustainably lower personal and business taxes and fees;
    iii) invest in infrastructure critical to economic growth and development;
    iv) establish endowments and scholarships dedicated to excellence in research and education in Alberta's post-secondary institutions;
    v) rebuild and maintain the sustainability fund for the purposes of disaster relief and assistance, and to protect against significant and short term decreases in provincial oil and gas revenues.

H. Labour

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

53. … allow individual workers the choice to determine whether or not any portion of their mandatory union dues are used to fund political activity and social advocacy.
54. … allow competition to the Workers Compensation Board.
55. … extend to workers the democratic right to a secret ballot vote on labour organization certification under the Labour Code and ensure that the same rules apply for de-certification as for certification.
56. … examine what services should be categorized as "essential services" and implement reforms that ensure those employed in "essential services" are treated fairly.

I. Tax and Red Tape Reduction

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

57. … legislatively prohibit any tax rate increases or introduction of new taxes unless approved in a provincial referendum
58. … once the consolidated budget is balanced, implement the following tax reductions:
    i) establish a per-child income tax deduction for parents or guardians;
    ii) increase the basic personal exemption to benefit all income earners;
    iii) provide greater tax deductions for charitable contributions.
59. … reduce the overall regulatory burden placed on businesses and charities by removing duplication and unnecessary red tape.

J. Federal Equalization and Transfers

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

60. … oppose unfair industry specific taxation by the federal government.
61. … fight for Alberta's deserved share of federal tax dollars through a more equitable distribution of federal transfers, equalization payments and contracts.
62. … establish a per-child income tax deduction for parents or guardians.
63. … collect the Alberta personal income tax.
64. … increase the basic personal exemption to benefit the lowest income earners.
65. … provide greater tax deductions for charitable contributions.

K. Tourism

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

66. … encourage tourism as a major growth area of the Alberta economy.
67. … stimulate tourism with international marketing in cooperation with tourism operators.

L. Transportation

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

68. … develop when fiscally feasible, new transportation corridors to relieve pressure on current routes.
69. … develop a comprehensive transportation strategy that recognizes the interdependence of Alberta's economy with its neighbours.

M. Securities Act

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

70. … make improvements to the Securities Act to increase transparency and provide greater protection for issuers, intermediaries, and investors.

III. EDUCATION

A. Courses

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

1. … grant public, separate, and public charter schools more flexibility to offer specialized programs in the trades, arts, music, physical education and business while ensuring all students learn the core aspects of the standard curriculum.
2. … enhance online educational initiatives for students.
3. … eliminate mandatory school fees in the public, separate, and public charter school systems.

B. Education Standards

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

4. … institute methods to improve transparency concerning student outcomes so parents have the information they need to make informed decisions regarding their child's education.
5. … eliminate the policy of social promotion in Alberta's schools. Students will be expected to meet standards in order to be promoted to the next grade.
6. … institute methods to hold educators accountable for performance.

C. Post-Secondary Education

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

7. … give Alberta students' priority for admission and funding at Alberta post-secondary institutions provided that educational and residence requirements are met.
8. … work with employers, Alberta school boards, post-secondary institutions and the Alberta Industry Training and Apprenticeship Commission to increase funding, training, and apprenticeships in the trades and technical sectors starting at the high school level.
9. … strengthen the network of colleges, institutes and on-line learning opportunities throughout the province.
10. … support research and development funding for colleges, universities and institutes by encouraging private sector partnerships while respecting pure research, academic freedom, and institutional autonomy.

D. School Choice

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

11. … protect parent's right to choose what school their child attends whether it be public, separate, public charter, private or homeschooling.
12. … strengthen and protect the current provincial funding model that sends per-student operational and maintenance funding directly to each locally elected school board or charter school, and better account for the fixed costs of schools in smaller rural communities.
13. … uphold the current provincial funding model for private schools that allows a portion of per-student funding to follow students to the school of their choice.
14. … lift the freeze on new public non-profit charter schools, allowing teachers, parents, special needs workers, and other educational experts to offer new and innovative curriculum and programs for students. Such schools must be open to all students and may not charge tuition.

E. Students with Special Needs

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

15. ... ensure students are properly assessed and any special learning needs are identified as early as possible in a child's development.
16. … respect that each special needs student is unique and allow parents, teachers and administrators the autonomy to determine what is best for each student including the opportunity to attend the same classrooms as typical students when possible.
17. … mandate that adequate funding follow each special needs student to the education facility of the parent's choice, to ensure that adequate supervision and support is provided to each student so that the classroom can remain a healthy learning environment.

IV. ENVIRONMENT

A. Clean Water

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

1. … monitor and encourage conservation of water taken from lakes or rivers for agricultural, industrial and domestic purposes.
2. … impose strict regulations on effluent-producing industries.

3. … support the use of dams, reservoirs, and irrigation projects for the purposes of increased off-stream water storage, flood and erosion control, hydroelectric power generation and recreation.
4. … commit to and take concrete steps to conserving and protecting groundwater for drinking purposes in Alberta.

B. Conservation

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
5. … recognize the value of parks to society and protect them from intrusive activities.
6. … require governments to meet responsible environmental standards in their procurement, recycling and construction operations.
7. … conserve Alberta's environment and monitor environmental impacts with enforcement provisions while balancing economic development opportunities.
8. … ensure Alberta's goals and objectives are on par with national and international greenhouse gas and air pollution protocols and standards.

C. Energy and the Environment

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
9. … ensure the responsible development of Alberta's natural resources, including more efficient resource recovery methods, responsible management of water, and cogeneration in the interest of Albertans.

D. Sustainability

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
10. … make environmental and fiscal sustainability and optimization a hallmark of all government policy. The government should work with the public, landowners, and other stakeholder groups towards this end, and ensure that the Alberta Advantage persists well beyond the end of this century.
11. … reduce greenhouse gases by advancing, implementing, and cooperating on technology, research, conservation, and alternative renewable energy sources.

E. Protection

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
12. … establish an environmental ombudsman for Alberta.
13. … require Ecological Impact Reports for all large projects. Projects in sensitive areas that use unproven technologies or generate significant public concern will be a priority.

F. Wildlife and Hunting

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

14**. …**protect the rights of hunters and anglers and should ensure that Alberta's wildlife populations are sustained and competently managed.

G. Environmental Principles

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

15. … believe in responsible, fact-based stewardship of the environment. The government should base its decisions on the best available scientific data and should not spend money without first carefully investigating the real threats and the extent to which its actions ameliorate those threats.

V. HEALTH CARE

A. Care of Patients

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

1. … enforce the five basic principles of the Canada Health Act which are: Public Administration, Comprehensiveness, Universality, Portability and Accessibility.
2. ... improve coverage for authorized out of province medical treatment that is unavailable in Alberta.
3. ... ensure that persons with a disability have ongoing access to medical benefits.
4. ... develop a Medical Machinery and Equipment Plan that ensures existing medical diagnostic and care equipment is adequately staffed, fully utilized and properly maintained and that provides for future investments in new equipment and technology.
5. ... establish and fund a fully independent Health Ombudsman in Alberta.
6. ... fully fund and implement a mental health initiative.
7. ... focus funding on patient care and reduce wasteful spending in the system.
8. ... provide expanded home care and palliative care services to assist chronically and terminally ill patients with supportive home environments as an option to institutional care.

B. Delivery

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

9. … institute performance measures that are annually audited and publicly reported.
10. **…** build a distributed health services information network that will improve care and reduce long-term costs while protecting the privacy of Albertans.
11. ... give all citizens better access to their medical records and treatment histories.
12. ... institute a Health Management System that rewards cost-effective, cost-saving administration by providing incentives to doctors, nurses and health care professionals.
13. ... encourage and support innovations in the delivery of health care.
14. … alleviate pressure on emergency room services by focusing funding on cost effective triage techniques

and alternative services.
15. … support not-for-profit and private long-term care facilities that will help address the needs of our aging population.
16. ... establish a rural and remote health initiative to ensure Albertans get the care they need.
17. … provide an annual cost schedule for all medical procedures in the province.
18**. …** strongly encourage private, not-for-profit hospitals to operate within the publicly funded health system.

C. Funding

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
19. … establish a fully independent Health Advocate to help Albertans and health care professionals
anonymously deal with problems and barriers encountered in the health care system without fear of reprisal.
20. ... increase funding for home care, supported housing, assisted living, long-term care facilities and palliative
care hospices to provide patient-friendly choices and needs-based alternatives to hospital care.
21. ... reduce transportation and lodging costs for rural patients who receive treatment that is not locally available by developing a rural medical travel assistance program.
22. ... ensure that patients living at home in palliative or long term care are entitled to the same pharmaceutical benefits they would have received as in a hospital.
23. ... deliver an annual individual statement of benefits to each resident of Alberta.

D. Training

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
24. … expand training and post-secondary programs to graduate more health care professionals.
25. … develop and implement a retention and recruitment plan in full consultation with health care service providers.

E. Wellness

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
26. ... institute a preventative health care and wellness program.
27. ... increase funding for physical fitness and amateur sports.
28. ... enhance efforts and funding to prevent drug and alcohol abuse and addiction.

F. Pre-Hospital Care

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
29 … accept that decisions about the provision of pre-hospital Emergency Medical Services are best made by local authorities in consultation with local hospitals and the citizens they serve.

30. … acknowledge that many rural and mid-sized urban communities benefit from providing their own EMS within a Fire / EMS combined service model.
31. … immediately cease further Alberta Health Services assumption of local EMS responsibilities, and work to return all EMS to local control, where possible.
32. … maintain the predictable baseline funding to municipalities for EMS that existed prior to AHS take-overs.

VI. JUSTICE

A. Courts

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
1. ... institute a program whereby all sentences given in provincial court will be subject to a truth in sentencing provision.
2. ... support the right of compensation from convicted persons to the victims of their crimes.
3. ... introduce initiatives for maintenance enforcement to achieve improved compliance with maintenance and visitation orders.
4. ... support legally enforceable arbitration between all parties in a legal dispute to settle non-criminal actions.
5. ... ensure that all Albertans have access to legal representation and justice.
6. … explore technological opportunities to update the Rules of Court and reduce cost to users.

B. Policing

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
7. ... ensure the roles of RCMP officers, municipal officers, peace officers and sheriffs are efficiently integrated and that all are accountable to Albertans first and foremost.
8. ... ensure sufficient funding for municipal policing to allow for effective policing and protection of Albertans.
9. ... require young offenders to participate in crime prevention courses and other measures.
10. … review of traffic policing across the province to clearly determine what works and what does not and to amend legislation to remove all financial incentives to traffic law enforcement in Alberta.

C. System Confidence

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
11. ... ensure that the rights of crime victims take precedence over those found guilty of committing crimes.

D. Firearms

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

12. … uphold the property and civil rights of all Albertans, including firearms owners.
13. … appoint a Chief Firearms Officer to direct the Firearms Program in Alberta.
14. … create and maintain a registry of individuals prohibited by a court from possessing firearms.
15. … table periodic reports in the Legislature concerning the frequency, causes and prevention of all categories of violent crime in Alberta, and the social, environmental, and economic effects of all firearms-related activities.

VII. SOCIAL

A. Equality

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
1…. recognize that all Albertans have equal rights, privileges and responsibilities.

B. Arts and Culture

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
2. … encourage, support, and fund community projects, school arts programs and cultural activities as an essential enrichment of life and an integral part of Alberta's communities and cultural diversity.

C. Families

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:
3. … ensure the protection of victims of abuse and provide effective supports to aid in their recovery.
4. ... work with foster parents to help them improve the care and placements of foster children.
5. ... enhance and increase the training, resources and authority of social service providers to properly protect children at risk and improve services to families.
6. … seek to reduce its budgetary dependence on gambling revenues, it should nevertheless earmark a significant portion of the revenues generated from gambling for the rehabilitation of gambling addicts, and for educational programs aimed at reducing gambling.
7**. …** collaborate with non-profit agencies to enhance their ability to meet the needs of children, youth, and families;
8. … commit funding for emergency residences for victims of violence.

D. Protecting Seniors

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

9. … enact a legislative program which recognizes the vital contribution made by our seniors to our prosperity and repeal any legislation and/or policy which unjustly discriminates against seniors, violates their safety, privacy or democratic rights arbitrarily or fails to recognize their vital contribution to Alberta.

E. First Nations and Aboriginal Issues

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

10. ... create a permanent First Nations Forum to provide aboriginal citizens living on and off reserves direct communication with government about their priorities and ideas to materially improve their quality of life.

11. ... devote special attention and resources to addressing the challenges and needs of aboriginal women and youth.

12. … ensure that Alberta's First Nations children have access to the resources and supports available to all Alberta children. Jurisdictional disputes between Alberta and the Federal government should not prevent First Nations children from getting necessary medical and educational services.

F. Responsibility

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

13. ... support social responsibility within the framework of a free enterprise economic system and promote compassionate service, volunteerism, individual responsibility and care for those unable to care for themselves.

G. Social Assistance

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

14. … implement an effective and incentive based social assistance program that will promote participation in the economy.

H. Delivery

Wildrose members believe the Government of Alberta should:

15. ... provide social services through community organizations rather than government whenever possible.

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[i] At the AGM the members also passed Economy Resolution 4:

Calgary-Shaw moves that the proposed Section be added after Section II. B.20.: 21. … Reinstate balanced budget legislation.

This resolution covers the same topic as Economic Resolution # 9 which included the language

> "*… once the budget is brought back into a consolidated balance, legislate mandatory balanced consolidated budgets and the prohibition of debt financing for operations or capital"*

and was passed later in the plenary. The more specific language from Resolution #9 has been used.