Introduction

Classical Liberalism is the philosophy that made America grow into the most powerful and advanced country on Earth. Over the past few decades, we have unfortunately strayed away from our greatest values. The Classical Liberal Caucus will make sure this country holds its course in advancing individual liberty, our market economy, and building an environment that allows us to be at the technological forefront of the world.

Economy

A free market economy with limited government regulation is the best environment for growth and progress. The Caucus will advocate for privatization and liberalization of the economy.

Free Trade

The Caucus will call for the removal of non-retaliatory tariffs and subsidies, and negotiate with other countries to do the same. Protectionism always backfires and results in higher prices on consumers and a smaller economy.

Regulations

On top of advancing free trade, we will work with congress to reduce the amount of regulations we have so that the market can function more efficiently. Heavy regulations on businesses prevent competition and restrict the ability of consumers to make their own choices on what they want to purchase.

Taxation

The Caucus supports policies that will reduce the tax burden on Americans and simplify that tax code. We want to keep government spending and taxes low so that the free market can thrive and better serve the public.

Social Programs

One of the greatest issues our country faces is being able to afford our social programs for generations to come. It is not possible currently without major reform. Legislation that builds upon the strengths of the free market and minimizes the control Washington has over our lives is what this country needs to keep social spending low and living standards high.

Welfare

The Classical Liberal Caucus supports reducing welfare spending and improving the lives of the poor by enacting a negative income tax. The negative income tax will give low income households the resources and freedom they need to sustain themselves and climb up the ladder of income mobility. In general, the Caucus supports policies that reduce reliance on the state and move individuals out of poverty as fast as possible.

Healthcare

We support market-oriented healthcare through the use of vouchers, health savings accounts, and greater competition. Through market competition, prices for healthcare and insurance will decline and quality of care will increase.

Retirement and Income Security

We support a social security opt-out option that allows citizens to keep a large portion of their payroll tax and be required to place that money into a private retirement plan of their choice. This can reduce the burden of unfunded liabilities in the future while giving seniors who have already paid into the system the promised retirement they need.

Education

Over the past few decades, the government has failed to increase the quality of our education system despite spending far outpacing inflation. We believe that school choice and a voucher system will give parents more options in educating their children, which will encourage competition and greater quality in education.

Civil Liberties

The Bill of Rights has been under attack over the past few decades as the federal government has slowly eroded our freedoms in the name of security. The Classical Liberal Caucus will not allow this to happen anymore.

Freedom of Expression

People will have the freedom to speak freely as long as they are not calling for the death of others. Freedom to practice religion will continue unrestrained. You have a right to assembly peacefully without being shut down by law enforcement.

Firearm Rights

You have a right to keep and bear arms. We oppose any attempts at controlling the ability of law abiding citizens to purchase firearms and ammunition.

Right to Privacy

The Caucus opposes all programs and measures that unconstitutionally spy on you. The government is required to obtain a warrant before collecting any of your data, and we will fight to ensure you are secure in your persons, homes, property, and communications.

Equality Under the Law

We oppose any policy that discriminates against people due to their race, gender, sexuality, or ethnicity.

Victimless Crimes

We support the ability of all Americans to live their lives how they see fit as long as they aren't harming others. We understand that government attempts at managing morality cause more harm than good. We support the deregulation of drug use, sex work, gambling, and any other victimless crime law.

Foreign Policy

The Classical Liberal Caucus take the responsibility of defending our country extremely seriously, and will do everything within the bounds of the law to keep our country safe.

International Relations

Our foreign policy goals should be to establish peaceful relations with as many countries as possible. For those that threaten our country, we must always have the strongest military on Earth so that tyranny can never defeat liberty.

Middle East

One of our priorities will be to focus our efforts more on national defense, and less on nation building elsewhere like in the middle east. For too long, we have remained in countries like Iraq, Syria, and Afghanistan without a reachable goal to accomplish. We cannot stay in these countries indefinitely. We need to determine goals that we can reach within a couple years and then reduce our presence.

Immigration

The Classical Liberal Caucus will strongly support expanding the ability of peaceful individuals to immigrate to the country. We believe immigration is very beneficial to our country both economically and culturally.