



## **Republican Party Support for Democratizing Future Capital Ownership Opportunity to Every Citizen**

(National Platforms, 1936, 1976, and 1980)

### ***1936 Republican Party Platform***

“The party should stand for a constantly wider diffusion of property. That is the greatest social and economic security that can come to free men. It makes men free.” (“Where the Republican Party Should Stand,” from *An American Platform*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, May 14, 1936.)

### ***1976 Republican National Convention Platform***

“Supporting proposals to enhance the ability of our working and other citizens to own ‘a piece of the action’ through stock ownership.”

### ***1980 Republican National Convention Platform***

“The widespread distribution of private property ownership is the cornerstone of American liberty. Without it neither our free enterprise system nor our republican form of government could long endure....The next Republican Administration will...not only protect the cherished human right of property ownership, but will also work to help millions of Americans—particularly those from disadvantaged groups—to share in the ownership of the wealth of their nation.” (*Platform, 1980 Republican National Convention, Detroit 7/14/80.*)