

## DEMOCRATS CALL FOR FULL INQUIRY

### National Committee Presses Congress for Any Action Necessary on Nixon

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Oct. 26 (AP)—The Democratic National Committee urged Congress today to investigate President Nixon's Watergate role thoroughly and asked all necessary action, including impeachment and conviction if warranted.

After a long debate that overshadowed internal party issues, the committee unanimously approved a revised version of a resolution approved earlier in the day by its executive committee.

The final resolution declared that the political process and public service had "been subjected to cynical manipulation and criminal behavior" reaching into the President's office and called the events surrounding the Watergate scandal "unprecedented in the history of our nation or of either political party."

#### 'Independent Prosecutor'

The resolution called on Congress to pass legislation establishing "a truly independent special prosecutor" to investigate and try questionable acts by the Nixon Administration regardless of whether Mr. Nixon named a successor to the ousted prosecutor, Archibald Cox.

The resolution urged the House and Senate "to move forthrightly to complete their investigations, including public hearings on the numerous charges of improprieties, defalcations and unlawful and unconstitutional acts regarding which there is evidence."

"We urge the House of Representatives and the United States Senate to take all necessary action, including impeachment and trial thereof if warranted," the resolution added.

"I think we can take pride in it and I take pride in what we have done," the party chairman, Robert S. Strauss, said after the vote.

In another action, Mr. Strauss said that former Mayor Robert F. Wagner of New York was his choice to head a compliance commission to monitor revised party delegate selection rules. Barbara Mikulski, who heads the commission that will write the final rules at a meeting in Washington starting tomorrow, indicated that she might challenge Mr. Strauss's choice.

The National Committee also did the following:

¶ Adopted a resolution declaring it had the right to re-

view the Mikulski commission's proposals.

¶ Approved a slate of six at-large executive committee members after rejecting a move by some liberals to substitute Mrs. Pat Derian of Mississippi for Mickey Griffin of Alabama. He is executive assistant to Gov. George C. Wallace.

¶ Adopted without opposition the call for the 1974 conference that will consider a party charter and other issues.

The committee also approved a resolution providing that future meetings of the executive committee be open to the public unless two-thirds of the 25-member group votes to close them.