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Subject: Urgent: Inclusion of Proposals for Removal on State Central Meeting Agenda

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To the the Chair, Deputy Chair, members of the State Executive Board and CD leaders:

Rumors suggest that Chair David Hann has decided to exclude the **Proposals for Removal of Officers** from the upcoming State Central Meeting Agenda on December 9, 2023. Per our party's governing documents, the right and duty of Delegates to oversee Party Officers and the State Executive Committee are non-negotiable and non-assignable.

Concerns about Party management under Chair Hann, Deputy Chair Donna Bergstrom and National Committeewoman Barb Sutter have arisen statewide with factual basis supporting Delegate and Alternate concerns. Although Article IX, Section 3, Paragraph B1 or B4 doesn't mandate service of charges for officer removal, a prior attempt to remove the Chair in August 2023 was obstructed by the false determination that all removals of officers requires service of notice of the charges at least 10 days prior to the meeting under Article XVI.

In compliance with Article XVI, Section 2, three State Party Officers have been served with detailed charges, along with specific questions. This service occurred more than 10 days before the scheduled State Central Committee meeting.

Because the officers were served more than 10 days prior to the scheduled meeting, the State Party is obligated, under Article XVI, Section 2, to include the statement of the charges and notice of removal for each of the three officers with an amended notice of meeting.

The State Executive Board is well-informed about these charges and removal proposals. Any refusal to add these proposals onto the agenda and send them to the State Central Delegates and Alternates constitutes interference with Delegate oversight.

We ask the State Executive Committee to intervene in this matter to ensure there is no interference in or obstruction of this process by those who face removal or by their supporters.

We are asking the Board to bring an end to the procedural maneuvering that serves to protect their personal interests, versus allowing for an open democratic process, which is not only the foundation of our nation, but also the foundation of our party.

Each member of the State Executive Board has a fiduciary responsibility to prioritize the Party's welfare over that of elected officers. The concerns that have been brought forward must be addressed openly at the December meeting to ensure Delegates engage in the required due diligence. A legitimate vote on each removal requires this process to occur, unimpeded.

Thank you for ensuring the rights and duties

s of the delegation are protected.

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