## Resolution 08-2024 Legislative District 11 Canyon County Republican Central Committee August 10, 2024

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Submitted by: Greg Stuck, District 11 Chair

**Presented by** 

Whereas on June 18, 2024 Toni Ferro withdrew from the District 11 Senate race and furthermore on June 18, 2024, Anthony Porto withdrew from the District 11A legislative race

Whereas on June 18, 2024, Toni Ferro was appointed to replace the withdrawn candidate for the District 11A legislative seat vacated by Anthony Porto and Anthony Porto was appointed to replace the withdrawn candidate for District 11 Senate seat vacated by Toni Ferro

Whereas the candidate withdrawals are a perfectly legal act, the appointments of a withdrawn candidate is not. This is plainly stated in Idaho State code Title 34, Chapter 7 Section 17-2.

Whereas the Secretary of State, Phil McGrane is ultimately responsible for the election integrity for the state of Idaho, as such an intimate knowledge of all Idaho State laws regarding elections is not only expected, but required of his position.

Whereas the office of the Secretary of State allowed this illegal election race swapping to occur.

Whereas the legislative District 11, Canyon County Republican Central Committee finds that this action by Secretary of State McGrane, to not only be illegally sanctioned by his office, but is also an example of his gross incompetence.

Be it resolved the Precinct Committeemen of Legislative District 11 ask Secretary of State McGrane for his immediate resignation due to this incompetence in an effort to protect the election integrity in the state of Idaho, and the removal of both appointees.

Idaho State code Title 34, Chapter 7 Section 17. Withdrawal of candidacy.

- (1) A candidate for nomination or candidate for election to a partisan office may withdraw from the election by filing a notarized statement of withdrawal with the officer with whom his declaration of candidacy was filed. The statement must contain all information necessary to identify the candidate and the office sought and the reason for withdrawal. The filing officer shall immediately notify the proper central committee of the party, if any, of the individual withdrawing. A candidate may not withdraw later than forty-five (45) days before an election, except in the case of a primary election, when the deadline shall be no later than the eighth Friday preceding the primary election, or a general election, when the deadline shall be no later than September 7. Filing fees paid by the candidate shall not be refunded.
- (2) Any candidate who has filed a statement of withdrawal pursuant to this section shall not be allowed to be appointed to fill a vacancy unless such vacancy occurs because of the death of a previous candidate.

Idaho Code 34-717

(https://legislature.idaho.gov/statutesrules/idstat/Title34/T34CH7/SECT34-717/)