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Bingham County Republican Officers and Precinct Committee Officers

RE: Bingham County Grievances regarding June 20, 2023 election.

My Fellow Republicans:

The Republican State Party office has received a grievance regarding Bingham County elections held June 20, 2023. I am informed that the Chair of Bingham County issued his resignation effective August 1, 2023. The monthly meeting of the Bingham County Republican Central Committee held on June 20, 2023 was a standing meeting on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00pm. Prior to the meeting, Dan Cravens, the Bingham County Chair, emailed members advising them of his future resignation that would be effective on August 1, 2023, and the suggestion to fill the anticipated vacancy at the next meeting. Neither the State Party rules nor the Bingham County bylaws allow for an election to fill an anticipated vacancy. The state party rules state explicitly that once an office becomes vacant, the Vice Chairman shall assume all duties and within 30 days, giving 7 days notice, call a meeting for the purpose of selecting a new County Chair.

*State Party Rules, Article 6, Section 9 states:*

*If the office of the County Chairman becomes vacant, by reason of resignation, death or otherwise, the Vice Chairman shall assume all duties of the Chairman and, within thirty (30) days after giving at least seven (7) days notice call a Central Committee meeting for the purpose of selecting a new County Chairman. If the Vice Chairman does not call such meeting within thirty (30) days, the State Chairman will call a County Central Committee meeting with seven (7) days notice for the purpose of selecting a new County Chairman.*

We requested a copy of the written resignation from the County Chairman, as well as a copy of the meeting notice, agenda and minutes, from the Bingham County Vice-Chair. We did not receive the requested documentation. The seven-day notice to call a County Central Committee meeting for the purpose of selecting a new County Chairman was not given by the Vice Chairman. Under the rules of the State Party, the Bingham County Vice Chairman had 30 days from August 1, 2023 to properly conduct the meeting, upon proper 7 days notice. As of the date of this letter, no meeting with proper notice has been conducted by the Vice Chairman, nor can it now be conducted within the thirty days allowed. The State Chairman therefore has the duty and authority to call a County Central Committee meeting upon proper notice to elect a new County Chairman.

The purpose of this letter is to advise all involved that the State Chair will be providing proper notice and scheduling a meeting in September to elect a new Bingham County Chairman. The opportunity for the Vice

Chairman to conduct the meeting has expired. Because the meeting held June 20, 2023 was not properly conducted, and there was no vacancy to fill, all elections conducted June 20, 2023, are invalid.

The State Chair will identify an appropriate location and send out the required seven-day notice before the election is conducted by the State Party. Please accept my personal thanks for all of the work done in Bingham County by all of the PCOs and County Officers. I look forward to meeting with you in order to complete the reorganization of Bingham County pursuant to the State Party Rules. It is unfortunate that the Rules do not allow this to be done with greater speed, but I am committed to obeying the Rules and allowing County Vice Chairs to exercise their authority, if they will do so in accordance with all rules.

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dorothy Moon". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Dorothy" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Moon".

Dorothy Moon  
IDGOP Chairwoman