Resolution of the Executive Committee Of the Republican Party of Coffee County, Tennessee

Whereas The Governor of Tennessee Bill Haslam, who is also the titular head of our state Republican Party did, on October 9, 2016, make the following statement:

"It is time for the good of the nation and the Republican Party for Donald Trump to step aside and let Gov. Mike Pence assume the role as the party's nominee. If he does not step aside, I will write in a Republican for the Office of President." And,

Whereas the state party chairman, Ryan Haynes, having failed to consult with the State Executive Committee and County Executive Committees, has chosen to advise Tennesseans to "vote their conscience "rather than giving a strong endorsement of the Republican Party presidential nominee, Donald J. Trump and,

Whereas the citizens who make up the body of the Republican Party in Tennessee and across the United States, chose Donald J. Trump to be our party's candidate for President of the United States, and,

Whereas the choice of a candidate is the process whereby officers of our government earn the "consent of the governed," and

Whereas no government official or party officer has any authority to deny, revoke, or subvert the consent of the governed who have selected and empowered that official to his position of trust, and

Whereas the values, unity, and success of the Republican Party have increasingly been sacrificed to satisfy the greed and ego of those who see the party as a tool for their own personal benefit rather than the good of the nation, and

Whereas to attack the candidate chosen by the people of the party is to endorse and support the candidate of the opposition, the only realistic alternative to our choice for President being a person of the meanest dishonesty, hatred and incompetence in the history of presidential politics.

Therefore, we, the elected officers of the Executive Committee of the Republican Party of Coffee County, Tennessee do hereby declare the following: Resolved, that the Republican Party of Coffee County, Tennessee, rejects all divisive utterances made by Governor Bill Haslam, Ryan Haynes, State Republican Party Chairman, and any persons who join him in attacks against the candidate chosen by the people of our party, and

Resolved, it is inappropriate for any Republican leader to support or suggest that Republicans vote for any candidate other than the Republican nominee, Donald J. Trump, and

Resolved, that we, the Executive Committee of Republican Party of Coffee County, Tennessee shall publicly defend and fight for the unity of our party and support of Donald J. Trump, the candidate we have chosen to make America Great Again, in the historic time of national peril.

Executed this 15th day of October, 2016.

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