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**By electronic delivery**

Mr. Stephen Kurtz  
Chairman  
Warren County Republican Committee  
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Dear Mr. Kurtz:

This is in response to your request for my opinion as to whether your Committee can approve and you as Chairman can publish a Call regarding the nominating process for local elected officials that is limited to the pre-filing of candidates for nomination.

Article VIII, Section A of the State Party Plan provides the requirements for a Call. It explicitly describes what each Call must contain. It does not authorize a Call containing a pre-filing requirement only. There is no allowance, therefore, for a Call to be split into separate publications.

This is a formal ruling pursuant to Article X and may be appealed in accordance with the provisions of that Article, if you choose.

Very truly yours,

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Patrick M. McSweeney

cc: RPV Chairman  
RPV Executive Director