Dear Douglas County Republican PCPs

Are you aware that ALL of your County level elected officials (Sheriff, District Attorney, all three Commissioners, Treasurer, Surveyor, Clerk, and Assessor) are all Republicans, as well as our Oregon House members and our Senator from District 1? Also, we Republicans are supporting a Douglas County candidate for Senate District 2? We are VERY proud of this fact. Unfortunately, we fear that this may not be sustainable considering the direction of the Douglas County Republican Executive Board and this group. Our relationship with the local party has been strained for quite some time, and we all go do this work, without the support of the DCRCC, in fact, quite the contrary. Some of the current make-up of the Executive Board has fancied itself as a sort of a watch dog organization who seems to have tasked itself with fighting against and tearing down our local Republican Elected Officials. We would like to see that changed. The last time the local party was infighting like this, a Democrat got elected to a commissioner seat. Your efforts should be focused supporting your current Republicans who are in office and working in other state legislative districts to flip seats in the House and Senate instead of putting candidates up to run against sitting Republicans. Any member of this organization who files to run against a sitting Republican should resign to avoid conflict anyway.

Historically we have sought to have a productive relationship with the DCRCC and have been very involved in promoting the organization and supporting it financially. The constant controversy has made this very difficult and because of the DCRCC's position on the May election, those of us running for "non-partisan" seats have received little to no help in getting through and winning our elections. Yes, we are on the May ballot, but make no mistake, our election is NOT a "Primary".. a Democrat could get elected in May just like we have. You currently have a non-Republican running against a sitting Republican Sheriff with a great track record. You all should be focused on winning that race instead of fighting amongst yourselves and running candidates against other sitting Republicans.

A small vocal group can cause problems for all Republicans in our county, state, and country. That is why you don't see the majority of main-stream, everyday Republican working people who support us as candidates every single election, participating and supporting this group. If the small group of DCRCC Executive Board doesn't like what we as Republicans are doing, they should consider another party affiliation. This group's focus needs to remain "Helping Get Republicans Elected", not fighting against Republicans who are already elected, not running against sitting Republicans. If you want to be a watchdog group, go be one.

Finally, the Republican Party is the party of truth and honesty, this constant dissemination of misinformation, conspiracy theories and blatant lies are the tactics of Democrats and foreign bad actors. We should hold ourselves to a higher standard. Quite frankly, it has become embarrassing to be associated with some of this group when they act the way they did at the last meeting. This group should have a method for expelling members who continue to insist on this type of behavior.

We are very much looking forward to positive change in this organization and working together again to continue to keep Douglas County Red, and to stop the Democrats agenda in Salem and Washington DC!

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