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WILLIAMSON COUNTY RESIDENT BILL PETTY TO RUN FOR THE REPUBLICAN NOMINATION FOR DISTRICT 10 WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSION SEAT

FRANKLIN, Tenn. (August 5, 2024) – Franklin resident Bill Petty, known for informing citizens about Williamson County government meetings and activities, has announced he will be a Republican candidate for the vacant District 10 seat on the Williamson County Commission.

Williamson County's District 10 generally stretches from I-65 on the east, Highway 96/Murfreesboro Rd. on the south, McEwen/Mack Hatcher on the north and homes near Hillsboro Rd. from Boyd Mill Avenue to Fieldstone Farms on the west.

A large group of conservative Republicans within District 10 and across the county have already stepped up to support Bill. They recognize Bill's caring attitude towards others, his concern for his community, his deep knowledge of county government, his business experience, his wisdom and his integrity. They believe Bill will be the citizen servant the people of District 10 deserve.

In making the announcement, Petty stated: "Throughout my career as a veteran, teacher and small-business owner, I've learned how to be an effective problem-solver, collaborator and communicator. These skills are essential for finding solutions to Williamson County's many issues, including an overwhelming \$1.2 billion debt, uncontrolled growth, crowded roads, strained infrastructure and other challenges."

The District 10 seat became vacant in June when Commissioner David Landrum resigned from the Commission. There will be a special election on November 5 to fill the remainder of Mr. Landrum's term. Because of calendar constraints, Williamson County Elections Administrator Chad Gray requested that the Williamson County Democrat Party and Williamson County Republican Party select their nominees via conventions, which must be held prior to the filing deadline of August 15. There was not enough time to conduct the traditional primary elections.

The Williamson County Republican Party (WCRP) will hold a party convention on Tuesday, August 13, 2024, to hear from Petty and other candidates and will vote on which candidate will be the party's nominee for the November 5 election. The convention is a simple meeting which gives Republicans in District 10 the opportunity to hear from candidates and to vote on who will be the Republican nominee.

Petty served in the US Army's 82nd Airborne and followed that with a career as a high school teacher, a coach to a state champion girls' track team and owner of a construction company, Petty & Associates. He has been president of the Nebraska Kidney Foundation, a board member for Big Brothers-Big Sisters, and has served his churches in various capacities. Currently, he volunteers regularly at GraceWorks Ministries, and serves as the Franklin chapter coordinator for Guitars for Vets.

Petty and his wife Mary have been married since 1969. They have a son, daughter-in-law and grandchildren in Green Hills and a daughter, son-in-law and grandchildren in Evanston, III.

"Having regularly attended BOMA, county commission, election commission and school board meetings for more than a year — and writing a weekly update for the community to keep them informed of developments — I've learned a great deal about the challenges our county faces and possible solutions. It's enabled me to keep my finger on the pulse of issues impacting Williamson County, such as how our \$1.2 billion debt and uncontrolled growth is affecting our traffic levels, infrastructure and quality of life.

"If elected county commissioner for District 10, I am committed to operating with transparency, integrity and accountability. I will respectfully listen to input from all my constituents and seek to identify ways to solve our county's challenges. I also will have a keen focus on fiscal restraint so that the county does not add to its enormous debt by spending money on 'wants' verses 'needs.'"

There are two requirements to vote for Bill in the party convention. Voters must be a resident of District 10 and a "bona fide" Republican (having voted Republican three of the last four statewide primaries). Those able to participate are encouraged to immediately register here (form.123formbuilder.com/6507132/2023-tngop-caucus-registration/). The convention will be held at the Cool Springs Mariott Hotel at 6 pm on August 13th. Doors open at 4:45 pm. Doors close by 5:45 pm. People arriving after 5:45 pm will not be allowed in. Participants are encouraged to arrive as early as possible to reduce last-minute congestion at the doors.

For more information about Petty, his principles and platform: www.votebillpetty.com

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