## RESOLUTION AFFIRMING AUTHORITY OF THE FIRST DISTRICT COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2019 the First District Committee issued a Ruling stating that (i) the convention held by the 97<sup>th</sup> Legislative District Committee on May 4, 2019 was valid; (ii) the certification of the nominee elected at the convention to the State Board of Elections was valid and proper; and (iii) the Call by the 97<sup>th</sup> Legislative District Committee for a Party Canvass scheduled for June 1, 2019 is null and void; and

WHEREAS, the Ruling was not appealed within thirty days of May 20, 2019 and therefore is not subject to further appeal pursuant to Article X, Paragraph (B)(5) of the *Plan of Organization of the Republican Party of the Virginia*; and

WHEREAS, two ELECT-511 forms have been submitted to the State Board of Elections on behalf of the 97<sup>th</sup> Legislative District Committee, one of which names the candidate elected at the convention as the nominee and the other of which names the candidate elected at the party canvass as the nominee; and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Elections has asked the Republican Party of Virginia for guidance regarding the identity of the legitimate nominee for the 97<sup>th</sup> District; and

WHEREAS, the Republican Party of Virginia acts and speaks through its official committees; and

WHEREAS, the State Central Committee is the highest official committee of the Republican Party of Virginia;

The State Central Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia resolves as follows:

- 1. The Ruling is valid and not subject to appeal, and therefore represents the final and definitive resolution of the Republican Party of Virginia of the matters addressed in it.
- 2. The ELECT-511 identifying Scott Wyatt, the nominee elected at the convention to the State Board of Elections, is valid and proper and any other ELECT-511 is invalid and improper.
- 3. The State Secretary of the Republican Party of Virginia is directed to provide a copy of this resolution to the State Board of Elections by email no later than 10:00 a.m., Monday, June 24, 2019 and to inform the State Board of Elections that this represents the Republican Party of Virginia's response to its inquiry regarding the identity of the legitimate nominee for the 97<sup>th</sup> House of Delegates District.