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STATEMENT ON EXCLUSION OF DR. JIM GRIPPO FROM THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY BALLOT

Columbia, Tenn. – James Dallas, the Democratic candidate for State Senate in District 28, released the following statement today:

"I am sorry, but not surprised, to hear that the Tennessee Republican Party will not allow Dr. Jim Grippo, of Columbia, to seek his party's nomination for State Senate.

"I have heard concerns about the way candidates have been treated by both parties this year. For this reason, I am increasingly convinced that we need changes to state law that improve the process by which parties decide to place candidates on their primary ballots, to curb self-dealing and ensure voters have more choices.

"While Dr. Grippo and I have many differences of opinion regarding policy, based on his public statements I feel confident in saying that are both concerned that Sen. Joey Hensley, the incumbent, has grown out-of-touch over his two decades of being in the state legislature.

"I look forward to being the progressive alternative to Sen. Joey Hensley in November. While I did not expect to be the only advocate for change in this race, I will proudly carry that responsibility."

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