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## VIA E-MAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Clerk of the Board Solano County Board of Supervisors 675 Texas Street, Ste. 6500 Fairfield, CA 94533

Email: <u>clerk@solanocounty.com</u>

Re: Request for Appointments in Lieu of Election of Three Directors of the Maine Prairie

Water District

## Dear Clerk of the Board:

This office serves as general counsel to the Maine Prairie Water District ("District"), and in that capacity, requests that the Solano County Board of Supervisors appoint Ryan Mahoney, Kevin Simonis, and Martin Emigh to the position of Director of the District in lieu of election pursuant to California Elections Code section 10515.

On July 19, 2024, the District published notice of an all-mail ballot election for three positions on the District's Board of Directors. A copy of the proof of publication is enclosed with this letter. By the deadline to receive declarations of candidacy, the District only received declarations from the three incumbent directors, Directors Ryan Mahoney, Kevin Simonis, and Leon Robbens. The District therefore did not hold an election. Before the District could request appointments in lieu of election, however, Director Robbens passed away.

The District then published notice of an all-mail ballot election for one position on the District's Board of Directors to fill the vacancy on June 20, 2025. Enclosed is a copy of the proof of publication. By the deadline to receive declarations of candidacy, the District only received a declaration from Martin Emigh. Therefore, the District will not hold an election.

Messrs. Mahoney, Simonis, and Emigh are qualified to serve as Directors of the District. Pursuant to Elections Code section 10515, the District requests that the Solano County Board of Supervisors appoint Messrs. Mahoney, Simonis, and Emigh to the District Board of Directors for three-year terms to expire on December 1, 2028.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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