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March 7, 2018

Honorable Susan Wagle  
President of the Kansas State Senate  
Kansas State Capitol, Room 333-E  
Topeka KS 66612

**RE: Notice of Change of Party Affiliation Per §22 of the Rules of the Kansas State Senate**

Dear Senate President Susan Wagle,

This morning, I will be announcing my candidacy for the office of Lieutenant Governor as running mate to Independent candidate Greg Orman. I am traveling home to Garden City to visit my County Clerk to formally change my voter registration, and effective then I will no longer be eligible to be a member of the Senate Republican Caucus.

My change in party affiliation is requisite to the petition requirements for Independent candidates at KSA 25-303. I believe Greg Orman is the better leader for the State of Kansas, and I'm honored to serve as his running mate.

For the remainder of this session, I will continue to serve in my duly elected capacity as State Senator for District 39 and as the upper chamber's only Independent member. Upon my election as Lieutenant Governor in November, I intend to resign my seat in order to serve in the Orman administration.

The Rules of the State Senate address the issue of change of party affiliation as follows:

**Rule 22. Party Affiliation – Change.** If any Senator changes political party affiliation: (1) From the political party of such Senator at the time of the Senator's election; or (2) if the Senator was appointed, from the political party of the district convention which elected such person to be so appointed, the following shall apply:

(a) Such Senator shall be removed from all memberships on standing and other committees, from all positions of chairperson or vice chairperson of a standing or other committee, and from any office of the Senate held at the time of such change. The Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules shall appoint a Senator to fill any vacancy which arises under this subpart (a).

(b) The proportion of Senators from major political parties on each standing committee originally determined under Rule 7 (providing for proportional representation of members of political parties upon standing committees) shall not be altered. The Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules shall fill each standing committee member position vacated by such Senator by appointing a Senator of the political party from which such Senator changed.

In accordance thereof, I hereby resign my Vice-Chairmanships on the Education Committee and Transportation Committee. I hereby resign my Chairmanships on the Lottery and Gaming Subcommittee and the Education Subcommittee of the Ways and Means Committee. Furthermore, I hereby resign committee membership on the Education Committee, Transportation Committee, Ways and Means Committee, Ethics, Elections and Local Government Committee, Joint Committee on Kansas Security and all other subcommittee assignments associated therewith.

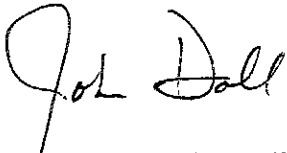
The aforementioned resignations are necessitated by my change in party affiliation. Please provide acknowledgement hereof and provide such further direction as may be necessary to assure compliance with the Rules of the Kansas State Senate.

I respectfully request that the Committee on Organization, Calendar and Rules provide me with new committee assignments for the remainder of the session. I believe that this change in party registration only enhances my ability to be a productive legislator and to serve the best interests of the State of Kansas.

As the upper chamber's only Independent member, I fully intend to continue to be a strong voice for bipartisan cooperation and reform. As the next Lieutenant Governor of the State of Kansas, I look forward to working with you in the future.

Thank you for your leadership and service.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Doll". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Honorable John Doll  
Kansas State Senate, District 39

cc. Senator Jeff Longbine, Vice-President  
Senator Jim Denning, Majority Leader