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Via U.S. Mail DATE: July 13, 2023

2023 PRE-BALLOT NOTICE

The time period for solicitation of new Board of Directors candidates is closed.

The record date for this vote is <u>July 1, 2023</u>, meaning that if you are not a member of record as of <u>July 1, 2023</u> you do not have the right to vote in this election.

This year's election will take place on: September 18, 2023

Members' ballots need to be received in the office by: September 15, 2023 at 5pm.

No late ballots will be counted and hand delivered ballots will be accepted. You are responsible for ensuring timely delivery of your ballot. Please mail your ballots via USPS to the PO Box #216 in McCloud, or hand deliver at the MSFPOA office listed above.

This means ballots need to be sent by members to the office no later than <u>September 8, 2023</u> to ensure adequate time for delivery to the Inspector of Elections. Ballots will come with pre-addressed and posted envelopes, so it will be easy and does not cost you individually to return the ballot. If you miss the <u>September 8, 2023</u> mailing date and wish to overnight mail your ballot to the Inspector of elections before <u>September 15, 2023</u> you may at your expense, but you must ensure delivery before the <u>September 15, 2023</u> deadline.

The ballots will be counted in the MSFPOA office starting at 10:00 AM by the Inspector of Elections, Nicole Monpain, on this date: September 18, 2023.

There are 7 candidates including, 5 incumbents: Richie Fesler, current President, Steve Hobson, current 1st Vice President, Uri Driscoll, current 2nd Vice President, Karen Burridge, current Treasurer, and Felicia Aisthorpe, current Secretary. Additionally, 2 new members are running as candidates: Melissa Chandon and Chris Farley. The incumbents have chosen not to write candidate statements. The new candidates have supplied you with candidate statements and they are included below. Write-ins will be allowed, and nothing prevents any member from conducting a write-in campaign as they desire between now and the ballot submission deadline.

Ballots will be sent via USPS to each member with instructions for voting on or before this date: <u>August 13, 2023</u>. Please look for your ballot in the mail after this date: <u>August 13, 2023</u>. Instructions on how to vote will be included with the ballot.

This letter is mailed using Association's mailing list as of <u>July 01, 2023</u>. If your address was incorrect for this mailing, it will be incorrect for the ballots. If you wish to update your address with the Association for the purposes of receiving the ballot, you must provide an address update in writing on or before <u>August 01, 2023</u> by sending a letter to the Inspector of Elections at the physical or email address above by <u>August 01, 2023</u>.

If you have questions about this election, please email the Board of Directors at the POA office at: msfpoa.ofcsec@gmail.com.

CANDIDATE STATEMENTS:

Chris Farley, 05/25/23

My name is Chris Farley and I am a 10th generation Californian who is of the 3rd generation to reside in Northern California. I have lived in rural California most of my life. I would like to see our money used efficiently, to maintain our roads, and make improvements in areas that need work for both safety and ease of access. This is a beautiful place. We love it here, so we want to work and contribute to protect and improve this beautiful Mt. Shasta Forest.

Melissa Chandon 6/17/23

It is with great pleasure I submit my statement for the upcoming Board Member election.

Ten years ago a good friend of mine and I decided to submit an offer on the house that 'Curly built' which is now known as the little RED house.

I remember to this day what a beautiful drive it was down Pilgrim Creek Road to enter the Shasta Forest. The little 'cabin' as we call it needed some work after being abandoned for a few years. Slowly we have been working on it and as you all know life in the forest is never dull. It's two steps forward and one step back!'

For several years we have been subject to the whims of the Forest Service. After waiting patiently for the Forest Service to do the right thing and only seeing our community remain at risk that I finally got involved.

I contacted the POA office and started asking questions which has led me on an illuminating path of discovery.

I have now read through all of the pertinent Forest Service reports which are many.

I then began sharing my discoveries with the current POA Board. Over and over I have discovered that the Forest Service is not in compliance with their own reports.

It's my belief that our communities lives are at risk by the closure of Pilgrim creek. It's because of the incoming and outgoing road conditions and closures that I am submitting my application for election. I believe the current board has done a great job of battling the National Forest Service. My goal if elected is to continue to be of service to our community.

Enc: MSFPOA Election Rules

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