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SUBJECT: CONSTITUTION PARTY OF VIRGINIA CHAIRMAN ASKS SENATOR TIM KAINE NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY US SENATE DEBATE THAT DOES NOT INCLUDE LIBERTARIAN NOMINEE MATT WATERS

John Bloom, Chairman of the Constitution Party of Virginia mailed letters to US Senator Tim Kaine's Washington DC and Virginia Beach Office asking him NOT to participate in any US Senate Debate that does not include Libertarian Nominee Matt Waters.

The Constitution Party of Virginia's State Central Committee UNANIMOUSLY approved endorsing Libertarian Nominee Matt Waters, and many Republicans left the Republican Party after Donald Trump became the Nominee or Presumptive Nominee of the Republican Party. Others left the Republican Party after Corey Stewart won an OPEN Republican Primary in which anyone, including Democrats and independents can participate.

The Virginia Bar Association has invited Senator Kaine and Mr. Stewart to the US Senate debate and excluded Mr. Waters; because, according to their policy on selecting candidates, in their opinion, they do not believe that Mr. Waters has a "reasonable chance of being elected." In that case Mr. Kaine is the only candidate that would meet that criterion. According to a Realclearpolitics.com Poll conducted by Quinnipac, after Mr. Stewart won the Republican Primary he is 18 percentage points behind and RealClearPolitics.com does not consider this race competitive. The ONLY reason that Mr. Waters is not included in the poll is lack of name recognition, NOT because he lacks ideas and solutions to solve America's problems, which include a return to Constitutional Government. Few people even know that Mr. Waters is 100% Pro-Life and is the only candidate that will focus on reducing the National Debt which mortgages future generations, which is taxation without representation. Mr. Waters is the only candidate that will not only be a check on Donald Trump but the Democrats as well. President Andrew Jackson said, "One man with COURAGE makes a Majority."

Mr. Waters meets all the other requirements to be considered in their US Senate debate, except the "reasonable chance" requirement, which could be shortened to read, "Candidate must be a Republican or Democrat.". Republicans and Democrats in the state legislature passed election laws that make it very difficult to get on the ballot in statewide races, where a minimum 10,000 signatures Statewide and 400 signatures in each Congressional District are required. Then for a party to be a full fledged Political Party, so they can nominate candidates by Convention and not collect signatures, they require 10% of the vote in a Statewide election. No other state has such a requirement. In NY State a much larger state than Virginia, they only require 50,000 signatures. If a candidate gets ballot access the Republicans and Democrats rely on their backup plan to restrict competition. The League of Women Voters, a top notch organization, is an exception, in that they invite all candidates that qualify for the ballot to participate in their debates and treat all candidates fairly regardless of Political Party. In Virginia the Republicans and Democrats gerrymandered or carved up most election districts to assure a certain political party could win. Last year was an anomaly as REPUBLICAN Voters, so turned off by the Party of Trump, did not vote for Republicans in Republican gerrymandered districts.

Mr. Bloom also appeals to the moderator PBS's Judy Woodruff and other members of the media to apply pressure on the Virginia Bar Association to include Mr. Waters in the US Senate Debate as he has as much of a chance of beating Senator Kaine as Mr. Stewart does, and he has the chance to create another full fledged political party in Virginia.



July 14, 2018

Senator Tim Kaine, 231 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

I am the Chairman of the Constitution Party of Virginia and speak for many Virginians that value the US Constitution, those that are members of the Constitution Party and those that are not members, including Democrats. There is one area were Competition is not only needed but healthy for any representative Republic and that is in the political arena of ideas, I appeal to you to not agree to participate in any US Senate debate that does not include Libertarian Nominee Matt Waters. Mr. Corey Stewart is totally unacceptable to many of us and some even left the Republican Party after Mr. Stewart won the Republican Party Primary for US Senate, and though they would consider voting for you, rather than vote for Mr. Stewart, they would prefer having someone they can vote FOR instead of voting AGAINST Mr. Stewart.

The Constitution Party of Virginia State Central Committee voted to endorse Mr. Waters for US Senate and we believe if others had the opportunity to listen to Mr. Waters participate in a debate with yourself and Mr. Stewart giving him EQUAL standing with both of you, that the debate would be much more civil and focus on issues that matter to ALL Virginians. Many such as myself would prefer you as a check against the power of the President and view Mr. Stewart as nothing more than a Donald Trump RUBBER STAMP, which would not be good for America's Republic. The League of Women Voters whenever they sponsor a debate include all ballot qualified candidates to participate in their debate, and I hope you would do the same. YOU are in a strong position as the Incumbent and Mr. Stewart is in a very weak position as the Republican Nominee in a very splintered Republican Party. I request you consider allowing Mr. Waters to participate in any debate for US Senate, which would promote fairness and result in real discord of issues.

Thank You and God Bless You and Your Family,

Chairman, Constitution Party of Virginia