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Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners

Date: October 13, 2021

TO: Licensed Veterinarians Residing in Congressional District 6

RE: Notice of Election – Candidate Submission  
Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners – District 6 Seat

Pursuant to [South Carolina Code Section 40-69-10](#) and [Regulation 120-2](#), the Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners will conduct an election to fill the Board's Congressional District 6 seat. The Board is seeking candidates to be placed on the ballot for election.

**ELIGIBILITY FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD and VOTING REQUIREMENTS**

- 1) Each candidate for a Board seat must be a licensed, practicing veterinarian with at least five years of clinical experience and a resident of the State and of Congressional District 6.
- 2) Every licensed veterinarian, regardless of years of practice, is eligible to vote in the election for the district in which s/he resides. Home addresses on record with the Board must include a street address to identify eligibility for that district's vote. Licensees are responsible for providing the Board with a current address and verification of the district in which they reside. If licensees are unsure of the district in which they reside, they are encouraged to contact their voter registration office.

**GETTING ON THE BALLOT and ELECTION PROCEDURES**

- 3) Nominations of candidates must be made to the Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners in writing with a signed and dated letter by the veterinarian qualified to vote in the district election. The letter must be postmarked no later than **October 29, 2021**. The letter must include a home street address of the veterinarian being nominated **AND** of the veterinarian making the nomination in order to verify eligibility of the nomination. Any person who is nominated may withdraw his or her name by written notice to the Board.
- 4) If more than two candidates are nominated, ballots must be prepared with the names of the nominees in alphabetical order. Ballots will be accessible via the Board's online voting portal and notification will be sent to every eligible licensed veterinarian qualified to vote in the Congressional District 6 election. Instructions for voting will be included in the notification. If you do not have a UserID for the LLR Licensee Portal, please contact Board staff for assistance. Voting will close approximately two weeks after notifications are sent out.
- 5) The Governor may appoint one of the nominees as the member; however, the Governor may reject any or all of the nominees upon satisfactory showing of the unfitness of those rejected. If the Governor declines to appoint any of the nominees submitted, additional nominees must be submitted in the same manner.

- 6) The Governor shall also consider nominations from any other individual, group, or association. The names of the nominees must be forwarded to the Governor by the Board. All appointments by the Governor must be made with the advice and consent of the Senate.