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DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY – STATE LEGISLATURE

Prior to filing my declaration of candidacy, I have submitted my **Conflict of Interest Disclosure** electronically to disclosures.utah.gov between Feb. 28th and Mar. 4th at 5:00pm. **Incumbents**: a disclosure already filed in 2022 is acceptable if it is updated and accurate as of the date of filing this declaration of candidacy.

_____ Candidate Initials. _____ Filing Officer Initials (disclosure has been submitted)

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Candidate Name: Michael Bladgett
(Print **exactly** as it shall appear on the ballot)

Office: (circle one) SENATE HOUSE District/Seat: 5 Political Party: Democrat

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PUBLIC CONTACT

Phone: 801-388-0364 **OR**

Address (home or mailing): 5155 Shawnee Ln Ogden, UT

Email (optional): mbladg@hotmail.com

Website (optional): _____

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REQUIREMENTS

Constitutional and statutory requirements

- U.S. Citizen
- At least 25 years of age
- Be a resident of Utah for at least 3 years and living in the district from which I am seeking election for at least 6 months prior to March 4, 2022
- Be and remain a registered voter in the district from which I am seeking election
- Cannot hold any public office of profit or trust
- Not convicted of a felony, unless the conviction has been expunged or: 10 years have passed since my most recent conviction, all court ordered restitutions and fines have been paid and probation is complete, parole granted or terms of incarceration have been completed.

I am seeking the nomination process allowed under Utah Code 20A-9-407-408

(Please check one)

☒ Convention only ☐ Signature Gathering only ☐ Both Convention & Signature

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OATH

I do solemnly swear that: I will meet the qualifications to hold the office, both legally and constitutionally, if selected; I will not knowingly violate any law governing campaigns and elections; **I will file all campaign financial disclosure reports as required by law; and I understand that failure to do so will result in my disqualification as a candidate for this office and removal of my name from the ballot.**

Candidate signature: Michael Bladgett Date: 3-3-22
(Must be signed in the presence of the filing officer)

Filing Officer signature: Stacy Corneel Date: 3/3/22

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Requirements Checklist – State Legislature

(Utah Code 20A-9-201)

Please initial:

MB The **constitutional and statutory requirements** were read to me and I meet those qualifications.

MB My name will appear on the ballot **exactly as it is printed** on my Declaration of Candidacy. No changes will be made after March 4, 2022.

MB I have filled out the **Private Contact Information** form

MB I have been provided information on how to submit a **Candidate Profile**

MB I have received a copy of the voluntary **Pledge of Fair Campaign Practices**

MB I agree to file all **financial disclosures accurately and on time.** I understand that failure to do so will result in my disqualification as a candidate and removal from the ballot and may subject me to possible fines and/or criminal penalties.

MB I understand that I can **withdraw my candidacy** at any time by filing a written affidavit with the Filing Officer. I understand that I must withdraw at least **65 days before Election Day** to have my name deleted from the ballot.

MB I have paid the filing fee of **$114.12** (Senate) or **$82.06** (House).

Candidate Signature	Michael Boody	Date	3-3-22
Filing Officer Signature	Stacy Cornell	Date	3/3/22

2022
STATE OF UTAH

PLEDGE OF FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES

(UCA § 20A-9-206)

There are basic principles of decency, honesty, and fair play which every candidate for public office in the State of Utah has a moral obligation to observe and uphold, in order that, after vigorously contested but fairly conducted campaigns, our citizens may exercise their right to a free election, and that the will of the people may be fully and clearly expressed on the issues.

THEREFORE:

I SHALL conduct my campaign openly and publicly, discussing the issues as I see them, presenting my record and policies with sincerity and frankness, and criticizing, without fear or favor, the record and policies of my opponents that I believe merit criticism.

I SHALL NOT use nor shall I permit the use of scurrilous attacks on any candidate or the candidate's immediate family. I shall not participate in or nor shall I permit the use of defamation, libel, or slander against any candidate or the candidate's immediate family. I shall not participate in nor shall I permit the use of any other criticism of any candidate or the candidate's immediate family that I do not believe to be truthful, provable, and relevant to my campaign.

I SHALL NOT use nor shall I permit the use of any practice that tends to corrupt or undermine our American system of free elections, or that hinders or prevents the free expression of the will of the voters, including practices intended to hinder or prevent any eligible person from registering to vote or voting.

I SHALL NOT coerce election help or campaign contributions for myself or for any other candidate from my employees or volunteers.

I SHALL immediately and publicly repudiate support deriving from any individual or group which resorts, on behalf of my candidacy or in opposition to that of an opponent, to methods in violation of the letter or spirit of this pledge. I shall accept responsibility to take firm action against any subordinate who violates any provision of this pledge or the laws governing elections.

I SHALL defend and uphold the right of every qualified American voter to full and equal participation in the electoral process.

I, the undersigned, candidate for election to public office in the State of Utah, hereby voluntarily endorse, subscribe to, and solemnly pledge myself to conduct my campaign in accordance with the above principles and practices.

Name: Michael Blodgett **Office:** Utah Senate 5

Signature: [signature] **Date:** 3-3-22

***This is a voluntary pledge**. Candidates are not required to sign this pledge of fair campaign practices.

***This document is considered a public record and will be retained for public inspection until 30 days following the election.**