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NOTICE OF OHHA BOARD NOMINEES AND ELECTION PETITION

On July 23, 2020 in accordance with Article V, Section 12 of the Association’s Bylaws, the Ohio Harness Horsemen’s Association’s Board nominated the following individuals listed below as Directors for upcoming 2021 Board Vacancies.

OHHA Board Nominee Candidates	
Breeders: Three Directors at Large, Breeders are Nominated and Elected Statewide.	
	Senena Esty Dr. Laurie Gallatin Robert K. Schmitz Brad Wallace
Trainer-Driver: Three Directors at Large, Trainer-Drivers are Nominated and Elected Statewide.	
	Rick Martindale Virgil Morgan Jr. Mark Winters Sr.
Owner Directors: Three Directors, Owners are Nominated by District and Elected by Owners Statewide	
District 2: Carroll, Jefferson, Harrison, Tuscarawas, Holmes, Coshocton, Muskingum, Guernsey, Belmont, Morgan, Noble, Monroe, and Washington Counties.	John Ryan Melsheimer - Hopewell, Ohio
District 5: Wyandot, Crawford, Marion, Morrow, Knox, Delaware, Licking, and Franklin Counties.	Dr. Jason Melillo - Powell, Ohio
District 8: Van Wert, Allen, Mercer, Auglaize, Darke, Shelby, and Miami Counties.	Paul Sunderhaus - Celina, Ohio
President	Steve Bateson

Active OHHA Members in good standing, with their principal residence in Ohio (Owner candidates must also reside in the District they seek election to) interested in running for one of the upcoming board vacancies may nominate a candidate by Petition. For a 2021 Board vacancy all Petitions must be completed and returned **no later than 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 13, 2020** as follows, below.

Breeder Nomination: Candidates for the office of Breeder Director may be nominated by a **petition signed by at least twenty** qualified members of the Breeder Division regardless of residency.

Trainer/Driver Nomination: Additional candidates for the office of Trainer/Driver Director may be nominated by a **petition signed by at least twenty** qualified members of the Trainer/Driver Division regardless of residency.

Owner Nomination: Additional candidates for the office of Owner Director may be nominated by a **petition signed by at least ten qualified** members of the Owner's Division who reside in the District involved.

President's Nomination: Additional candidates for the office of President may be nominated by a petition signed by **at least five percent** of the regular membership at large (currently 160 signatures), regardless of residency.

ELECTION PETITION

Date: _____

We, the undersigned, as members in good standing of the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association, wish to submit
 _____, for nomination to the office of
 _____ of the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association.

Petitions must be completed and returned **no later than 5:00 p.m. Friday, October 16, 2020 with the minimum number of signatures by position petitioning for as listed, below.**

10 Signatures (**within the district**) are required for the office of Owner Director

20 signatures are required for the office of Breeder Director

20 Signatures are required for the office of Driver-Trainer Director

125 Signatures (5% of regular membership at large) are required for the office of President

The OHHA office will verify all individuals listed below as full, active members in good standing for 2020. We suggest that additional signatures beyond the number required be obtained if there is uncertainty as to whether the signers are OHHA members, attached additional pages as necessary. All qualified nominations supported by verified signatures will appear on the official election ballot, which will be mailed to the OHHA membership at least 20 days prior to the January Annual Meeting.

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