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Maury County Democrats to Meet November 9th;
Statement Regarding Third Extraordinary Session

Columbia, TN: The Maury County Democratic Party (MCDP) will meet on November 9, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. at the UAW Local 1853 Hall in Spring Hill. The meeting will focus on budgeting for 2022.

Additionally, Chair James Dallas has the following comments on the Third Extraordinary Session of the Tennessee which starts today in Nashville, with a focus on COVID-19:

For only the third time in our state's history, lawmakers have insisted upon calling a special session. This session will leave Tennesseans more divided, less safe, and less free.

HB9001, proposed by Rep. Scott Cepicky (R-Culleoka) with a companion Senate bill (SB9004) by Sen. Joey Hensley (R-Hohenwald), would allow employees who claim COVID-19 vaccine side effects to file for workers' compensation. This is unnecessary as the federal government already has a National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program. Furthermore, because workers' compensation insurance premiums are based on claims history, this bill, if passed, will harm Tennessee businesses. Based on this and Rep. Cepicky's HB9004, it is evident that their goal is to intimidate those who seek to protect employees and customers by mandating vaccination.

HB9002, also by Rep. Cepicky with a companion bill (SB9003) by Sen. Hensley, would allow for partisan school board races. In the past few months, school board races in other counties have descended into chaos because of tribalistic politics. We believe that making school board races partisan will only sow further division and distract from the goal of providing every child with a quality education – a goal that we hope we share with the Republicans.

There are nearly 70 more bad bills that have been proposed for this session, including many that are dangerous and obscene (such as HB9055 by Rep. Brandon Ogles that could result in business owners being jailed). We expect that this session will waste a lot of taxpayer money and result in nothing but lawsuits and misery for the average Tennessean.

About the Maury County Democratic Party: The Maury County Democratic Party is the local county affiliate of the Tennessee Democratic Party and represents the interests of tens of thousands of Democratic-leaning voters in the county.

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