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KANSAS SECRETARY OF STATE ANNOUNCES THAT KANSAS LAW REQUIRES CHAD TAYLOR'S NAME TO REMAIN ON THE BALLOT

TOPEKA (September 4, 2014) – Late yesterday afternoon the Democratic nominee for the United States Senate, Chadwick J. Taylor, filed a written request that his nomination for that office be withdrawn and that he not appear on the ballot for the November 4 general election. In order to withdraw his nomination, K.S.A. 25-306b(b) requires Mr. Taylor to declare that he is “incapable of fulfilling the duties of office if elected” and to file a written request to remove his name from nomination within seven days after the meeting of the state board of canvassers for the final canvass of the primary election. The state board of canvassers met on August 27. A valid written request to withdraw was therefore required to be filed on or before September 3.

“After conferring with the office of the Kansas Attorney General, I have concluded that the written request filed by Mr. Taylor does not meet the requirements of K.S.A. 25-306b(b) because Mr. Taylor did not declare that he is incapable of fulfilling the duties of U.S. Senator if elected,” said Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach. “Therefore, Mr. Taylor’s name will appear on the ballot for the office of United States Senator for the November 4 general election.”