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South Carolina Independence Party Endorses Evan McMullin.

The South Carolina Independence Party (“SCIP”) today announced their endorsement of Evan McMullin for President of the United States. McMullin will appear on the SCIP ballot in the November election.

“Like Americans everywhere, many of us in South Carolina have been watching this year’s presidential process with growing anger and disappointment,” said Wayne Griffin, chair of SCIP. “If this country has come to the point where the choices we are offered are either Trump or Clinton, then there is something very wrong with our process.”

“When Evan McMullin and his team reached out to us to offer an alternative to the rabid intolerance of Trump and the privileged insider trading of Clinton, I felt it was a good choice,” continued Griffin. “McMullin believes we need crucial political reforms to open our process, that we need to find new ways for black and white Americans to connect with each other, and that we need an independent movement to unite the American people. For that, and for having the courage to take a stand against the corruption of major party politics, the South Carolina Independence Party is proud to endorse him and to give him our ballot line this November.”

"I'm honored to be the Independence Party of South Carolina's presidential candidate. I look forward to bringing our message of greater opportunity, security, and a better choice to the people of South Carolina," said McMullin.

Evan McMullin joined the CIA as an Operations Officer in 2001 and served in the Middle East, North Africa, and South Asia. In 2011, he joined the Investment Banking Division at Goldman Sachs in the San Francisco Bay Area. In 2013, McMullin became a Senior Advisor to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs and later became Chief Policy Director of the House Republican Conference.

Wayne Griffin operates an insurance agency in Greenville, SC and is a member of the Greer City Council. He is part of the network of independent leaders who are associated with IndependentVoting.org, a national organization of independents with organizations in 40 states. In 2008, Griffin spearheaded Independents for Obama, playing a crucial role in President Obama

winning the SC Democratic Party primary. In 2011, along with Independentvoting.org, Griffin helped create a diverse coalition that included the SCIP, the Columbia Tea Party, the Progressive Network and 13 African American Democratic Party elected officials that successfully intervened against the Republican Party's attempt to close the state's primaries.

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