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Eric Olsen

Press Statement: Reappointment of General Registrar Eric Olsen

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On Wednesday, May 24th, 2023, the Prince William County Electoral Board voted unanimously to reappoint Eric Olsen to the position of Prince William County Director of Elections. With this action, Eric will serve in the position for a four-year term beginning on July 1, 2023.

Mr. Olsen came into the position in November 2021, amid a period of scrutiny and uncertainty for elections both here in Prince William County and across the country. Over the last 18 months, he has worked hard to increase election transparency, voter confidence in the system, and electoral staff morale. Not without its challenges, Eric faced both professional and health hardships that briefly led to the consideration and announcement of his resignation, but ultimately decided that he is dedicated serving the voters of Prince William County.

London Steverson, Secretary of the PWC Electoral Board, shared the following statement about the Board's decision. "Eric Olsen is a good man. He does not approach the job as an 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM job. He is available 24/7, within reason. We are closer to parity between Republican and Democratic Election Officers than ever because of Eric's efforts. I would prefer working with Eric Olsen as the PWC GR than anyone else I can think of. He is a blessing to every American Voter in PWC. That is my opinion based on 44 years of Government Service as a military officer and Federal Administrative Law Judge."

Keith Scarborough, Chair of the PWC Electoral Board, added "[It is] Definitely good news for the county and our voters!"

The Office of Elections' staff and the Electoral Board alike are pleased to have the opportunity to continue to work with Mr. Olsen for the next four years, following his leadership to facilitate fair, accurate, and transparent elections for all the voters of Prince William County.