



August 19, 2016

Mr. Michael Pope, Chairman
Shelby County Democratic Party Executive Committee
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SENT VIA US MAIL AND ELECTRONIC MAIL TO MPCHAIRMANSCDP@GMAIL.COM

Dear Chairman Pope,

As stated in Article III Section 2(f) and Article VII Section 1(a)(3) of the Tennessee Democratic Party Bylaws, it is the responsibility of the Tennessee Democratic Party Executive Committee to establish “the procedures and rules for organizing and functioning of County Democratic Executive Committees and maintaining close relationships with such committees” and to develop and monitor a minimum set of requirements that must be observed by a state sanctioned certified County Democratic Party.

As chair of the Tennessee Democratic Party Executive Committee, it is my duty to inform you that the decision has been made to decertify the existing Shelby County Democratic Party and immediately begin the process of organizing a new Shelby County Democratic Party.

During this important process, the TNDP pledges to work to ensure that Democrats in Shelby County have the opportunity to determine their own needs, evaluate the effectiveness of past bylaws and leadership, elect officers and executive committee members, and enact reforms that bring in new people and build a strong grassroots organization.

During this transition, the TNDP will hold the SCDP PAC funds and bank funds in trust until the new SCDP is in place and a treasurer has been elected.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Mary Mancini'.

Mary Mancini
Chair, Tennessee Democratic Party