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Subject: Important 2020 Board of Directors Election Information

Good morning Members,

Ballots for the 2020 Heritage Ranch Owners Association Election of Directors will be delivered via U.S. Mail to all members this week. There are two very important updates that we need to share.

1. Candidate Robin Baim has informally withdrawn her candidacy due to an unanticipated business opportunity that will put significant claims upon her time. We thank Ms. Baim for her willingness to serve HROA and wish her all the best. Unfortunately, the ballots have already been prepared and sent to the post. The election will proceed, and members are advised to cast their votes with this updated information in mind.
2. In this election, members will be allowed to cast their votes cumulatively. The practice of cumulative voting is rare and could be characterized as antiquated. It is, however, allowed by our 40+-year-old master CC&R's. As a result, Article 6.1.d of the Association's current Election Rules reads, "*Cumulative Voting*. So long as Article III, Section 3 or any other provision of the CC&Rs allow for cumulative voting, **every Member is permitted to cumulate his vote and give one (1) candidate the total number of votes to which the Member is entitled to cast or may distribute the Member's votes among the candidates as desired.** At such time as the CC&Rs no longer contain such possibility for cumulative voting, cumulative voting shall not be permitted." This situation highlights yet another reason for the Association to commit the time and resources to update our very outdated CC&R's.

The Candidate Forum was held via webinar the morning of Saturday July 11, 2020, and it provided great information and insight into the Board Candidates' qualifications, priorities and personal insights into our Community. We thank them as well as all attendees for sharing their views and asking important questions. The transcript for the Candidate Forum will be distributed to the Membership no later than Wednesday, July 15, 2020. There is also a recording of the Candidate Forum available upon request.

Please support the Heritage Ranch Owners Association 2020 Election of Directors by returning your completed ballot promptly. With full participation, we will have a Board that is representative of our membership. With the completion of the election, the HROA team and Board of Directors will be able return our focus, time and resources towards serving our community each and every day. Thank you in advance for your participation in the 2020 Election of Directors.

Warm regards,
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