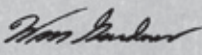


OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR

AMHERST — REPUBLICAN

NEW HAMPSHIRE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION

JANUARY 10, 2012



SECRETARY OF STATE

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

1. To vote, fill in the oval ☐ opposite your choice like this ☒

2. To write-in a candidate not on the ballot, write the name on the line provided for the office and fill in the oval ☐ opposite the write-in line, like this ☒

CANDIDATE OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

FOR

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

I hereby declare my preference for candidate for the office of PRESIDENT of the UNITED STATES to be as follows:

VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE:

Joe Story Jacksonville, Florida

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Linden Swift Plainfield, Indiana

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James A. Vestermark Taylor Mill, Kentucky

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Vern Wuensche Houston, Texas

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Michele Bachmann Stillwater, Minnesota

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Bear Betzler Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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Timothy Brewer Dayton, Ohio

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Herman Cain McDonough, Georgia

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Mark Callahan Eugene, Oregon

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Hugh Cort Birmingham, Alabama

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Randy Crow Kelly, North Carolina

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L. John Davis, Jr. Grand Junction, Colorado

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Keith Drummond Katy, Texas

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Newt Gingrich McLean, Virginia

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Stewart J. Greenleaf Huntingdon Valley, Pennsylvania

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Christopher V. Hill Prospect, Kentucky

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Jon Huntsman Salt Lake City, Utah

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Gary Johnson Canoncito, New Mexico

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Fred Karger Laguna Beach, California

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Jeff Lawman Derry, New Hampshire

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Benjamin Linn Milford, New Hampshire

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Andy Martin Chicago, Illinois

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Michael J. Meehan St. Louis, Missouri

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Ron Paul Lake Jackson, Texas

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Rick Perry Austin, Texas

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Joe Robinson Newton, Massachusetts

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Buddy Roemer Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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Mitt Romney Belmont, Massachusetts

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Kevin Rubash Wilmette, Illinois

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Rick Santorum Great Falls, Virginia

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WRITE-IN

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# NH's First in The Nation Primary Election Held Tuesday, January 10

Absentee ballots are available in the Town Clerk's Office. NH law requires that you vote in person at the polling place (in Amherst that is Souhegan High School) unless you plan to be absent on election day, cannot appear in public on election day because of observance of a religious commitment, are unable to vote because of a disability or you cannot appear at any time during the polling hours because an employment obligation requires you to remain physically at work or to be in transit to or from the time the polls open until after the time polls close. Polling hours in Amherst are 6AM to 8PM.

To obtain an absentee ballot please submit an application for a State Election Absentee Ballot which requires a signature of the voter. These applications may be found online at [www.sos.nh.gov](http://www.sos.nh.gov). Click on Elections Division and then Election forms. They may be faxed to 603-673-4138 or mailed to

Town Clerk, PO Box 960, Amherst, NH 03031. They are also available at the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours 9AM to 3PM Monday through Friday and Tuesday night from 4:30PM to 6:30 PM. Ballots must be received back by 5PM Monday night on January 9, 2012 if returned in person and by 5PM on election day if returned by mail. No absentee ballots may be returned in hand on election day.

The last day to register to vote prior to Primary Day is Tuesday, January 3, 2012 from 7PM to 7:30PM. NH law also allows voter registration on election day. Voter registration is accepted during regular business hours at the town clerk's office.

The Amherst town clerk's office will be closed all day on election day as we will be working at the polls.

## TOWN OF AMHERST

### PUBLIC NOTICE

The Amherst Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session at the Town Clerk's office at the Amherst Town Hall on Tuesday, January 3, 2012 between 7:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. This will be the last time residents may register to vote or make corrections to the checklist until the January 10th Presidential Primary Election. Please bring proof of residence and identification with you. Voting will be at the Souhegan High School from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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A packed house at Joey's Diner waiting for Ron Paul's arrival, Wednesday, December 14.

He makes his case that conservatives should be voting for less government not more.

On foreign policy he critiques the Republican party for not being critical enough of current foreign policy. He said that Americans should be very careful about getting into wars. And they should be declared. "We are now constantly at war," he said. "We have an atmosphere of endless war and an invasion of privacy."

On the subject of big government, he said, "Big government destroys the middle class. The wealthy make money on inflation and bailouts. With more emphasis on liberty – the government will shrink."

Congressman Paul known for his consistency on public policy over the years points out that we are no longer a wealthy country. "We are in debt. We export our money and jobs overseas. The solution is not more taxing, spending and borrowing," he said.

He ended his remarks saying "We live in dangerous times. We have a whole generation of young people



Brian Early (SHS '96 grad), accompanied Congressman Paul while in Amherst.

looking for solutions. But we have great opportunities. I'm an optimist in the long run. But it will depend on what we do in the near future."

During questions, he was queried about his foreign aid and policy positions.

He described foreign aid as "taking money from poor people in the United States and giving it to rich people in other countries."

Isolationism – The right term according to Dr. Paul is non-intervention. "The military is strongly behind me on this. National defense is more than just military spending. I'm very much a proponent of diplomacy."

On Cuba – "That war's over. Let's talk and trade."

Kyoto – "We shouldn't be involved in international agreements. Let's solve problems one on one with a treaty."

MF Global – "if MF Global defrauded their customers, they need to be indicted on fraud and go to prison."

A Nashua High School student who will be voting for the first time said, "I like his message. I support his philosophy. My generation likes him because of his consistency and no flip-flopping like Newt. This election the youth is conservative on economic issues. If you work hard and better yourself, you shouldn't have to give it away."

After a quick stop at both Joey's Diner and The Homestead, Congressman Paul said he was very confident of his growing appeal to the voters. The numbers look favorable in Iowa and New Hampshire.

The Amherst Citizen was invited to meet Congressman Ron Paul by his staff. He is the only Republican presidential candidate to do so.

View a short video clip of Congressman Paul's visit to Amherst: [www.amherstcitizen.com](http://www.amherstcitizen.com).



Ralph Melchionda, owner of The Homestead on Boston Post Road was pleased to have Ron Paul make a few remarks about free enterprise at his Boston Post Road grocery and deli.



Resident Andy Bridge, asks the candidate a question outside the Homestead