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## For Immediate Release

## **Dems to Republicans: Pick on Somebody Your Own Size**

The Livingston County Republican Party is acting like a bunch of bullies by threatening to do all it can to defeat a 21-year-old college student who has filed to run in the Republican primary for Green Oak Township Clerk.

I have some news for Meghan Reckling. The executive committee of the Livingston County Republican Party does not get to choose who runs in Republican primaries. And here's another news flash – that seat isn't being "stolen" by Devin Steele. It doesn't belong to the Republican Party. It belongs to the voters of Green Oak Township.

Devin Steele isn't the first alleged Democrat to run as a Republican. A few years ago, a Hamburg Democrat gave up her Democratic values to run as a Republican so she could win a seat as a Hamburg Township trustee. Several times, our candidates have been approached by Republicans after running strong races and urged to switch parties. Apparently, Republicans have no problem with Democrats running as Republicans when it suits them.

In this case, Devin's candidacy means that a Republican will actually have to campaign for the party's nomination. Apparently, that's too much work so they have chosen to try to bully a 21-year-old college student whose total political contributions throughout his entire life barely total \$500 given \$1 and \$2 at a time. Republican bullies need to stop attacking this young kid who decided to exercise his rights in our democracy. Go pick on somebody your own size.

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