

MD Farm Bureau Political Action Committee

3358 Davidsonville Road – Davidsonville, MD 21035

To: Candidates for state-level offices in the 2018 election cycle
From: Michael Calkins, Chairman
Date: November 15, 2017

RE: 2018 Candidate Endorsements/Contributions

MFB PAC is the Political Action Committee formed by the members of the Maryland Farm Bureau in 1999. The purpose of the MFB PAC is to encourage an atmosphere in Maryland that is favorable to a healthy agricultural community through political involvement. During the 2018 election cycle we will be making our fifth round of endorsements and contributions. 87- 93% of the candidates we endorsed in the last four election cycles were elected to office. We would like to invite you to submit information about your candidacy for consideration in this process.

Attached is a two-page survey that must be completed and delivered back to the Maryland Farm Bureau office no later than Friday, April 13, 2018. You may complete the survey using the attached form or by clicking this link for the online google survey: <https://goo.gl/forms/3p7NKv0jdMW6ympO2> . If you use the hardcopy, please email the completed survey to PAC@mdfarmbureau.com. Please attach a biography and any additional material about your bid for elective office. This initial set of information will allow our local Farm Bureau Candidate Evaluation Committees to begin their consideration of your candidacy.

The county Farm Bureau Candidate Evaluation Committee may contact you to schedule a personal interview to discuss your candidacy, although not all counties conduct in-person interviews. County consideration will take place between April 17 and May 3, 2018. The county committees will forward their recommendations to the MFB PAC Board of Directors by Friday, May 4, 2018.

The MFB PAC Board will make final decisions and will announce primary endorsements by May 15, 2018. Contributions will be distributed to candidates following endorsement announcements. MFB PAC participates in state-level races only. We do not endorse or make contribution in federal races or county-level races.

If you have any questions, please email us at PAC@mdfarmbureau.com or call (410)922-3426. Thank you for your participation in this process.