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Local Farmer Rusty Grills Announces Campaign for the State House

(Newbern, TN) – Local farmer, county commissioner and community leader, Rusty Grills has officially announced his campaign for election to the Tennessee State House in the 77th District special election. Grills believes his experience in both the private and public sector will pay dividends as a public servant in the state legislature. Grills currently serves on the Dyer County Commission and is involved with several community causes. Faith, family and farming are the driving force behind Rusty’s belief system.

A 9th generation farmer, Grills said his philosophy has always been, “Listen to the people you serve, work hard to make government accountable to them, and use common sense in making decisions.”

Grills believes his priorities as state representative would be to invest wisely in education empowering parents and students, promote entrepreneurship, and preserve traditional Tennessee family values. “My blueprint for success is simple, if we keep taxes low and invest in education, the result will be more job opportunities for the people of Dyer, Obion and Lake counties”, Grills said.

Guided by his faith and conservative principles, Grills is pro-life, pro-adoption and supports the 2nd Amendment. Rusty is an avid outdoorsman and lifetime member of the Tennessee Firearms Association. He serves on Governor Bill Lee’s conservative grassroots advisory council and is a staunch supporter of President Donald Trump.

Born and raised in Newbern, Grills’ roots run deep in west Tennessee. His family has been involved in farming since the 1830’s and Rusty is a certified Master Beef Producer. Grills serves on the Dyer County Farm Bureau Board of Directors and has held numerous leadership posts with both the county and state farm bureaus, as well as the Tennessee Soybean Association.

Grills was first elected to the Dyer County Commission in 2010. Rusty stood against local property tax increases and believes that government should work for the people not the other way around.

Grills has also served his community in numerous volunteer causes including the Buddy Walk for Down Syndrome, Crisis Pregnancy Center, County Youth AG day, local Fire Fighters fundraisers, FFA, and as a Youth Baseball Coach among others.

Rusty and his wife Christi, a registered nurse, have been married for 13 years and have two girls, Hadley and Jaxie. They are members of Lenox Baptist Church where Rusty and Christi both teach Sunday School and work in the Children's ministry.

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