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# FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ST. LOUIS

# NOMINATION FOR DIRECTOR

#### St. Louis, March 13, 1929.

### TO THE MEMBER BANKS IN DISTRICT No. 8:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the Federal Reserve Act and my circular dated February 7, 1929, in regard to election of a Class B director to succeed Rolla Wells, who resigned to accept appointment as Class C director, of this bank, there is given on the back hereof the name and biography of the candidate nominated for such director and a list of the banks nominating him.

There is sent herewith to each bank in Group 1 a preferential ballot for use in voting on the candidate for Class B director. There are also enclosed an envelope bearing on its face the certificate in regard to the vote, an envelope marked "Ballot" in which to seal the ballot, and a self-addressed return envelope.

The ballot and certificate on the envelope must be executed by the officer who has been authorized to cast the vote. A list of the designated officers was attached to my circular above mentioned. In order that the ballot may be secret, the name of the bank and of the voting officer should not be written on the ballot, but only on the certificate envelope, and the following procedure should be observed:

- (1) After the preferential ballot has been marked,
- (2) It should be placed in the envelope marked "Ballot" and the envelope sealed.
- (3) After the certificate on the certificate envelope has been executed,
- (4) The ballot envelope should be placed within the certificate envelope and the latter sealed.
- (5) Then this certificate envelope containing the sealed ballot envelope should be returned to me in the self-addressed envelope.

Under the law, the ballot must be returned so as to reach me **within fifteen days** after its receipt. The polls will open on March 14 and close at 3 p. m. on March 29, 1929. At that time the ballot box will be opened in the Board Room of this bank, the sealed envelopes containing the ballots will be opened, the votes counted and result of election announced. The candidate is invited to be present or represented on that occasion.

While the banks in Groups 2 and 3 will not vote in this election, this circular is sent to them without forms for their information.

Respectfully,

ROLLA WELLS, Chairman of the Board.

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## CANDIDATE FOR CLASS B DIRECTOR

#### NAME AND BIOGRAPHY

J. W. Harris, St. Louis, Mo ..... Place and date of birth: Callaway County, Mo., 1870. Education: High School, Fulton, Mo.

Business activities, past and present: In 1890 employed by White, Branch, Shelton Hat Co., St. Louis, as shipping clerk. From 1891 to 1897 was salesman for said company. From 1897 to 1903 was sales-man for Boogher, Force & Goodbar Hat Co. In 1903, with others, organized Harris-Polk Hat Co., and has been its President since 1915. Organized Harris-Poik Hat Co., and has been its President since 1915. Other affiliations, past and present: Was President of West End Bank, St. Louis, from 1912 to 1917. At present is a director of Keith Bros. & Co., Wholesale Hatters, Chicago, Ill.; National Hatters, Inc., Danbury, Conn.; American Association of Wholesale Hatters; Merchants Transportation Association, St. Louis; Municipal Research Bureau, St. Louis; Presbyterian Orphans Home, Farmington, Mo., and State National Bank, St. Louis. (Advises will resign as director of said bank to qualify as director of Federal Reserve Bank.)

#### NOMINATED BY FOLLOWING BANKS IN GROUP 1:

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