Date: September 27, 2022

Subject: Operation Ineligible Ward

Dear Municipal Clerk,

My name is Ron Heuer, and I am president of the Wisconsin Voter Alliance. Late last year, my group began researching whether voters under guardianship orders that removed their eligibility to vote were having votes cast in their name fraudulently. We discovered numerous examples of voters under active no vote guardianship orders where this was the case, including Sandra Klitzke of Outagamie County, whose story <u>you can read here</u>, and watch videos of guardians expressing dismay that their elderly loved ones had voted here <u>(videos of nursing home residents)</u>.

We learned in August 2022 that in Wisconsin, it is possible to go online and request an absentee ballot for any voter and have it sent to your home - even if you request it under another voter's name - as evidenced by this story where a voter secured Assembly Speaker Vos' absentee ballot (No charges for WI man who posed as Assembly Speaker Vos, others to obtain absentee ballots).

This vulnerability remains for the upcoming election.

Casting a vote on behalf of an ineligible voter is election fraud, which is a serious crime under section 12.13 of the Wisconsin code, and anyone assisting with the process - including election officials - may also be charged with election fraud.

12.13 (2) (b) 3 states that <u>election officials are committing election fraud if they "Permit registration or receipt of a vote from a person who the official knows is not a legally qualified elector". 12.13 (1) (h) further states that assisting with casting a vote for an unqualified elector is election fraud. <u>Link to WI Statute 12.13</u></u>

The Wisconsin resident who requested and received Speaker Vos' absentee ballot to illustrate the vulnerabilities in Wisconsin's absentee ballot system was charged with election fraud: (President of conservative group who fraudulently requested absentee ballot for Vos charged with election fraud).

Unfortunately, there is a significant risk of this type of fraud occurring in your county, as we have learned through conversations with register in probates across the state that there is a discrepancy between the number of wards under guardianship who should be shown in WISVOTE as being ineligible to vote. (See Register in Probate Reporting)

To prevent this type of fraud in the upcoming election, having an accurate list of ineligible voters in your municipality is critical. If someone attempts election fraud by casting an absentee ballot for a low propensity voter - such as someone whose voting eligibility has been rescinded as part

of a guardianship order - having that person listed as ineligible to vote on the voter rolls should prevent an absentee ballot in the name of the ward under guardianship from being generated or worst case, being counted if received by your office.

Compounding the risk is that WEC formally stated in a letter (attached) dated September 22, 2022, that WEC is not responsible for updating voter rolls to reflect the ineligible status of wards under a no vote guardianship order.

Even though procedures are in place for Registers in Probate to directly provide WEC with this information, the letter states that **you and the other county municipal clerks are responsible** for changing the voting status of these wards under no vote quardianship.

Given that the November 8th election is fast approaching, we would appreciate you confirming with us in writing by not later than **October 4th**, **2022**, that you have updated the status of these voters in WisVote to show that they are ineligible to vote in the upcoming election and future elections as long as their guardianship order is in place.

Your county Register in Probate per the procedures in place provide this information to WEC. So WEC has the information you need to update the WisVote database as to the eligibility status of wards under guardianship, (and likely even copies of the forms they received from the County Registers in Probate).

Thank you for taking steps to resolve this matter expeditiously so that we eliminate this election fraud risk for all citizens and avoid the erosion of confidence in the election processes should votes be cast in the name of any of these wards under no vote guardianship orders in your municipality.

Regards,

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