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To Whom it May Concern -

I have received the Secretary of State's proposed election amendments that will be brought to a hearing tomorrow, Tuesday, July 12th. I have the following comments on these proposals:

Amended Rule 2.5.4: I would ask for additional clarification on this proposed amendment change. Specifically, I would ask that the amended rule clarify that in elections years of both presidential and state primaries, the party affiliation of the voter only applies to a single primary in the election cycle not all the primaries in the cycle.

Amended Rule 2.13.2: I would ask for a rejection of this proposed amendment as it would eliminate the requirement of election judges to maintain a log of new registered voters or of any changes made by register electors. These actions are critical to maintaining the integrity of fair and honest elections.

Amended Rule 8: I would ask for a rejection of this amendment, as it would not allow poll watchers to have any electronic device or mobile phone in their possession in the vicinity of the polling place. This is problematic because, without these, watchers would be unable to report voting irregularities in real time.

Ballot Separation Options for Unaffiliated Voters: I would recommend Option 1 however, I would ask that the SoS take steps to create a failsafe method for ensuring voter anonymity.

Cross Jurisdiction Voting: I recommend further clarification/ revision of this process to address the possibility that counties may reduce voting centers by shifting to other counties as this could reduce voter turnout and create confusion among voters.

Thank you.  
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