## STATE OF MINNESOTA IN SUPREME COURT



October 27, 2020

OFFICE OF APPELLATE COURTS

Republican Party of Minnesota, and Cheryl Nyquist,

Supreme Court No.

Petitioners,

**V.** 

Ginny Gelms, in her official capacity as Hennepin County Elections Manager, and Jeff Norabrook, City of Minneapolis Administrator of Elections

DECLARATION OF CHERYL NYOUIST

## Respondents.

- 1. I, Cheryl Nyquist, declare and state as follows:
- 2. I am a resident of Champlin, Hennepin County, Minnesota.
- 3. I am an eligible voter in Hennepin County in the State of Minnesota.
- 4. On or around October 22, 2020, I observed the livestream on YouTube of in person -, absentee ballot counting by both the City of Minneapolis and Hennepin County employees at the Minneapolis Convention Center.
- I observed Hennepin County employees, employed as election judges, not checking the signatures on the absentee ballots.
- I observed Hennepin County employees, employed as election judges, not initialing the ballots.
- I observed some Hennepin County employees, employed as election judges, not marking the registered voter roster while counting absentee ballots.

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- Additionally, while I was in person at the Minneapolis Convention Center, on or about October 22, 2020, I observed some City of Minneapolis employees, employed as election judges, not assuring that two or more members of the election board examined each return envelope.
- Upon noticing that only a single judge was reviewing ballots, and marking them, I alerted City of Minneapolis staff that this improper review was occurring, and staff acknowledged their error.

Executed on October, 26, 2020, at Minneapolis, Minnesota.

/s/ Cheryl Nyquist Cheryl Nyquist