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Michael Haas, Administrator Wisconsin Elections Commission 212 East Washington Avenue P.O. Box 7984 Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7984

Dear Administrator Haas,

We are writing to express our opposition to the Presidential Advisory Commission on Election Integrity's recent request for Wisconsin voters' confidential information and ask that you continue to protect their sensitive information from being released.

As you know, Vice Chair Kris Kobach requested the public release of sensitive voter data, including voters' dates of birth, partial Social Security Numbers, and partisan political preference. Wisconsin state statutes clearly prohibit this information from being released publicly. Protecting voters' private information is essential in preserving the integrity of our elections. Recent efforts by Governor Walker and Legislative Republicans have already made it more difficult for many citizens to exercise their right to vote. Removing the confidentiality of voter information will further undermine voters' confidence in our elections.

In order to safeguard the privacy of our citizens and preserve the integrity of our state's electoral processes, we ask that you refuse to comply with the Commission's request and demand that it instead request publicly available voter registration information through the traditional channels set forth in state law.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

Senator Jennifer Shilling

Senate Democratic Leader

Representative Peter Barca

Assembly Democratic Leader

CC: Members, Wisconsin Elections Commission