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The Moment of Truth: Will You Walk the Talk?

Assembly Representatives:

The reasons provided by many of you for retaining Meagan Wolfe as the administrator of the WEC have all been refuted by factual evidence. Persisting in advocating these baseless justifications suggests either a lack of comprehension or a deliberate choice to contradict facts with falsehoods, perhaps due to compromised positions that no longer align with the interests of the constituents you represent.

Voting to impeach Ms. Wolfe demonstrates your commitment to election integrity. Allowing her to stay undermines that commitment. Restoring public trust in our elections requires addressing the issues affecting Wisconsin's electoral process. Supporting Ms. Wolfe's impeachment marks a significant stride toward rebuilding both public trust and election integrity.

As a reminder, the vote on Ms. Wolfe's impeachment will be a roll call vote, and your decision will be subject to public scrutiny.

Here is evidence-based information to rebut the inadequate justifications for *not* impeaching Ms. Wolfe:

➤ EXCUSE #1

- *"Whether we like the results or not, a Dane County judge has issued a ruling saying we cannot remove Meagan Wolfe at least until the court issues a final ruling."* ~ Speaker Robin Vos

THE TRUTH

- The court ruling specifically addresses appointment powers and is entirely unrelated to the subject of impeachment. The impeachment process falls under the jurisdiction of the legislative branch, entirely separate from the purview of the judicial branch. Speaker Vos, by asserting otherwise, is deliberately misleading both the public and his colleagues in the assembly.

➤ EXCUSE #2:

- *"It's not Meagan's fault. It's the fault of the commission."*

THE TRUTH:

- In reference to the 2021-2023 Wisconsin Elections Commission Biennial Performance Report—APPENDIX B (page 27) in which Administrator duties are outlined.
 - **Elections Commission Administrator - Position Summary:**
 - "Under the general policy direction of the Elections Commission, **this individual is responsible for providing the administrative leadership** and support necessary to enable the Commission to carry out its **statutory functions** with respect to the administration and enforcement of elections. The duties and responsibilities of this position are diverse in nature and include such activities as: implementation of Board policies and directives; **law and rule interpretations**; program planning; staff supervision; public and legislative contacts; and the development and improvement of record keeping and procedural systems."

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➤ EXCUSE #2 con't:

- “This individual serves as a representative of the Commission and **provides administrative leadership and support to the Commission in such areas as conduct of investigations; development of formal and informal opinions; administrative rule development;.....**”

Ms. Wolfe is Wisconsin's chief election official. As such, she serves as the gatekeeper for decisions made by the commission. If she disagreed with their decisions or found them to be in violation of the law, it was her primary responsibility as election administrator to safeguard the integrity of our elections and prevent the issuance of any unlawful directives.

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➤ EXCUSE #3

- “In the case of Meagan Wolfe, I believe she has been incompetent in her role. There is no proof of her committing crimes, however.” ~ Rep. Joel Kitchens

THE TRUTH

- Lawsuits in which wrongful activity was PROVEN on behalf of the WEC under the leadership of Meagan Wolfe:

| CASE | DECISION |
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| 1. White v. Wisconsin Elections Commission (October 2022) | Wolf's memo violated Wis. Stat 6.87(9) when Wolfe told clerks to add missing information on an absentee certificate envelope using whatever means are available. RITE, Inc. et al v. Wisconsin Elections Commission (October 2022): This was the appeal of the White case (above) in which it was determined the lower court judgment stands (appeal denied). |
| 2. Kormanik v. Wisconsin Election Commission (October 2022) | Honorable Judge Brad D. Schimel of the Waukesha County Circuit Court declared Wolfe's memo about the clerks spoiling voters' absentee ballots to be invalid and contrary to law. |
| 3. Teigen v. Wisconsin Election Commission (July 2022) | The Wisconsin Supreme Court declared Wolfe's two dropbox memos to be unlawful. The Supreme Court also said Wolfe's guidance that permitted the use of absentee ballot mules was invalid and contrary to law. |
| 4. Engstrand v. Milwaukee; Sipes v. Green Bay; Gilligan v. Madison; Weidner v. City of Racine; Romano v. Kenosha (July 2022) | WEC's failure to investigate illegal drop boxes led to lawsuits filed by the Thomas More Society in all five county circuit courts. In January 2022, Waukesha County Circuit Court declared unmanned drop boxes illegal under Wisconsin law. The Tegen ruling in July 2022 permanently prohibited the five cities from using drop boxes. |
| 5. Johnson v. Wisconsin Election Commission (April 2022) | In a 4-3 decision, the Wisconsin Supreme Court chose legislative maps submitted by the Wisconsin Legislature. The U.S. Supreme Court declared that the maps submitted by Governor Evers and selected by the Wisconsin Supreme Court were racially gerrymandered and violated equal protection guarantees in the Constitution. Therefore, the Wisconsin Supreme Court was obligated to revisit its March 2022 decision. |
| 6. Richard Braun v. WEC (September 2023) | Honorable Judge Michael P. Maxwell of Waukesha Circuit ruled against the WEC because the WEC did not properly prescribe or promulgate a rule for the National Registration Form. Judge Maxwell wrote, "Mr. Braun challenged WEC to produce any evidence that WEC had approved the National Form and WEC produced no evidence showing approval." |

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