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**FORWARD LATINO FILES MOTION TO INTERVENE IN
CERNY V. WISCONSIN ELECTIONS COMMISSION**
Organization committed to protecting the rights of all Wisconsin voters!

Franklin, WI – Forward Latino, a national non-profit, non-partisan service and advocacy organization headquartered in Franklin, Wisconsin and with affiliates and members in twenty-nine states took legal action to intervene as a defendant in Cerny v Wisconsin Elections Commission. The suit brought by Cerny seeks to compel the Wisconsin Elections Commission to cross-check voter registration records against citizenship information in Wisconsin Department of Transportation records. As Forward Latino’s motion to intervene explains, such records are often outdated or inaccurate, particularly for naturalized citizens who obtained driver’s licenses or identification cards before becoming U.S. citizens.

National President Darryl Morin issued the following statement:

“Since the Revolutionary War, Latinos and Hispanics have fought for our nation’s independence and for our nation’s founding principles of freedom and equality. These are principles that can only be put into practice in the sunlight of a fair and functioning democracy, a democracy in which all eligible voters are encouraged, not discouraged, to participate.

As an organization invested in the promotion of democratic ideals, the defense of civil liberties, and engaged in efforts that promote civic engagement, Forward Latino, on behalf of our Wisconsin membership and affiliates, filed a motion to intervene in Cerny v Wisconsin Elections Commission. We have taken this necessary action to defend the voting rights of all eligible Wisconsin voters, regardless of political affiliation, race, ethnicity, faith, gender, or orientation. Forward Latino will continue to stand steadfast in the defense of democracy, in the defense of freedom.”

About Forward Latino:

Forward Latino is a non-profit, non-partisan organization that empowers affiliates to inspire and engage communities, strengthen our democracy, improve the lives of working families, protect the environment, and stand up for equality and civil rights. Forward Latino cultivates, trains, and supports a diverse national network of Latina/o/x community leaders addressing the civic, economic, and political challenges of the 21st century. Forward Latino has members and affiliates across 29 states. Learn more at www.forwardlatino.org.

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