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Hello!

I would like to start off by saying I hope all of you are safe and doing well in these unprecedented times. This November, Michigan is tasked with holding a safe and accessible election in the midst of a global pandemic. Now, more than ever, our communities need poll workers to ensure a successful election, and that is why we are excited to launch the Democracy MVP Varsity Challenge.

Democracy is a team sport, and we are hosting this Challenge to encourage high school students on varsity teams to take on a leadership role and recruit their teammates and classmates to be poll workers. Any high school varsity team can participate to help make a difference for your community and our democracy!

The winner of the challenge will be recognized by the Michigan Department of State and featured on our website. Any team that recruits more than 50 poll workers will be entered into a random drawing to receive tickets to the Lions game. Students who are 16 or -17 years old are not able to vote, however, they ARE able to sign up for this important Challenge and get paid to be a poll worker.

For additional information and to sign up, please go to Michigan.gov/DemocracyMVP.

With gratitude,

Jocelyn Benson Michigan Secretary of State