



STATE OF MICHIGAN  
BUREAU OF ELECTIONS  
LANSING

**Meeting  
of the  
Board of State Canvassers  
August 21, 2023**

**Called to order:** 10:00 a.m.

**Members present:** Mary Ellen Gurewitz – Chairperson  
Richard Houskamp – Vice Chairperson  
Anthony Daunt

**Members Absent:** Jeannette Bradshaw

**Agenda item:** Consideration of the meeting minutes for the August 1, 2023 meeting.

**Board action on agenda item:** The Board approved the minutes of the August 1, 2023 meeting as submitted. Moved by Houskamp; supported by Daunt. Ayes: Daunt, Gurewitz, Houskamp. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Agenda item:** Consideration of the sufficiency of the recall petition submitted by Barbara Willing against Betsy Coffia. The reasons for recall stated by the petition are as follows:

**On April 13, 2023, State Representative Betsy Coffia voted yes on Michigan House Bill 4145 creating an Extreme Risk Protection Order (Red Flag Law).**

**Board action on agenda item:** The Board determined that the reasons for recall printed on the petition submitted by Barbara Willing against Betsy Coffia on August 1, 2023 are not sufficiently clear because it does not accurately or clearly state what the bill has created. Moved by Gurewitz; supported by Houskamp. Ayes: Daunt, Gurewitz, Houskamp. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Agenda item:** Consideration of the sufficiency of the recall petition submitted by Linda Ensley against Jennifer Conlin. The reasons for recall stated by the petition are as follows:

**On June 20, 2023, State Representative Jennifer Conlin voted yes on Michigan House Bill 4474 which would amend provisions of the Michigan penal code that now define and prohibit the crime of ethnic intimidation.**

**Board action on agenda item:** The Board determined that the reasons for recall printed on the petition submitted by Linda Ensley against Jennifer

Conlin on August 1, 2023 are not sufficiently clear because it does not indicate with sufficient clarity what the bill does. Moved by Gurewitz; supported by Houskamp. Ayes: Gurewitz, Houskamp. Nays: Daunt. Motion carried.

**Agenda item:** Consideration of the sufficiency of the recall petition submitted by Gerald Clixby against Noah Arbit. The reasons for recall stated by the petition are as follows:

**On June 20, 2023, State Representative Noah Arbit voted yes on Michigan House Bill 4474, which would amend provisions of the Michigan Penal Code that now define and prohibit the crime of ethnic intimidation.**

**Board action on agenda item:** The Board determined that the reasons for recall printed on the petition submitted by Gerald Clixby against Noah Arbit on August 4, 2023 are not sufficiently clear because they do not indicate to the voter what the bill in question does. Moved by Gurewitz; supported by Houskamp. Ayes: Gurewitz, Houskamp. Nays: Daunt. Motion carried.

**Agenda item:** Consideration of the sufficiency of the recall petition submitted by Michael T. Ross against Sharon Macdonell. The reasons for recall stated by the petition are as follows:

**On April 13, 2023, State Representative Sharon MacDonell voted “yes” on Michigan House Bill 4145 creating the Extreme Risk Protection Order Act, i.e. “Red Flag” Law.**

**Board action on agenda item:** The Board determined that the reasons for recall printed on the petition submitted by Michael T. Ross against Sharon Macdonell on August 7, 2023 are factual and sufficiently clear because it provides an accurate description of the legislation’s intent. Moved by Daunt; supported by Houskamp. Ayes: Daunt Gurewitz, Houskamp. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Agenda item:** Consideration of the sufficiency of the recall petition submitted by Kayla Toma against Kelly Breen. The reasons for recall stated by the petition are as follows:

**On June 20, 2023, State Representative Kelly Breen voted yes on Michigan House Bill 4474 which would amend provisions of Michigan Penal Code that now define & prohibit the crime of ethnic intimidation.**

**Board action on agenda item:** The Board determined that the reasons for recall printed on the petition submitted by Kayla Toma against Kelly Breen on August 7, 2023 are not sufficiently clear because they do not indicate to the voter what the bill in question does. Moved by Gurewitz;

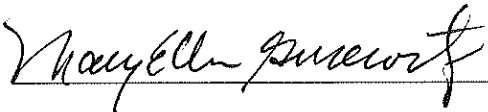
supported by Houskamp. Ayes: Gurewitz, Houskamp. Nays: Daunt.  
Motion carried.

**Agenda item:** Consideration of the sufficiency of the recall petition submitted by John Zupanc against Denise Mentzer. The reasons for recall stated by the petition are as follows:

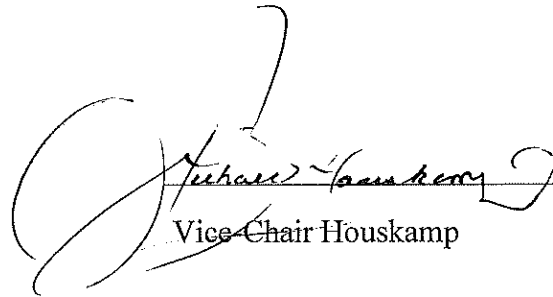
**On June 20, 2023, State Representative Denise Mentzer voted yes on Michigan House Bill 4474 which would amend provisions of the Michigan Penal Code that now define and prohibit the crime of ethnic intimidation.**

**Board action on agenda item:** The Board determined that the reasons for recall printed on the petition submitted by John Zupanc against Denise Mentzer on August 7, 2023 are not sufficiently clear because it does not make it sufficiently clear as to what the basis of the recall is. Moved by Houskamp; supported by Gurewitz. Ayes: Gurewitz, Houskamp. Nays: Daunt. Motion carried.

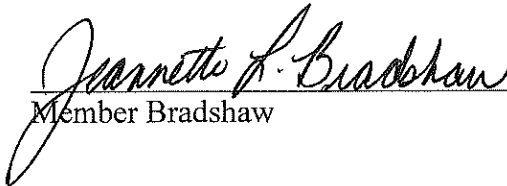
**Adjourned:** 11:00 a.m.

  
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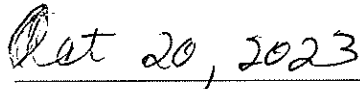
Vice-Chair Houskamp

  
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Member Bradshaw

  
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Member Daunt

  
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