

1 **WASHINGTON COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

2 Date of enactment: 3-10-2021

3 Date of publication: 3-17-2021

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6 **2020 RESOLUTION 62**

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8 **Advisory Resolution Supporting Election Reform**  
9 **State and Local Level of Government**

10 **WHEREAS**, continual challenges have repeatedly emerged in national, state and local  
11 elections causing an erosion of confidence in our election system and democratic process; and

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14 **WHEREAS**, on February 24, 2021, Washington County Clerk Ashley Reichert gave a  
15 presentation to the Executive Committee to address concerns related to the 2020 Presidential  
16 Election which included a discussion of the voting system; and which was attended by clerks and  
17 administrators from municipalities across Washington County; and

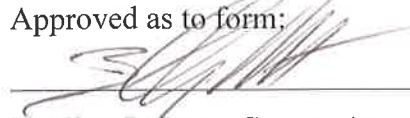
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19 **WHEREAS**, committee members, County Executive Schoemann, County Clerk Reichert  
20 and clerks and administrators from municipalities located across the County who were in  
21 attendance determined the following areas to be in need of reform: 1) processing of mail-in ballots;  
22 2) voter roll purge; 3) definition of "indefinitely confined" for purposes of absentee voting; 4)  
23 accepting of ballots in public parks; 5) election administration accountability by the Secretary of  
24 State; 6) accuracy of hand count vs. machines; and 7) private entity contributions to election  
25 administration;


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27 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Washington County Board of  
28 Supervisors that this Board hereby supports reforms aimed at restoring integrity in the election  
29 process by addressing the pressing areas of concern identified during the course of the February  
30 24, 2021 meeting.

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32 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Board hereby directs the Washington County  
33 Clerk to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Wisconsin Counties Association, and all state  
34 senators and assembly members representing Washington County constituents.

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39 VOTE REQUIREMENT FOR PASSAGE: Majority

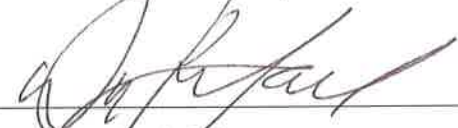
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41 RESOLUTION SUMMARY: Advisory resolution supporting reform in the election process by  
42 focusing in on six areas: mail-in ballots, voter roll purge, those truly indefinitely confined,  
43 accepting of ballots other than clerk office and polling places, Secretary of State role in election  
44 administration, hand count vs. machines.

1 Approved as to form:  
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3 Bradley S. Stern, County Attorney  
4 Dated 3/11/2021

6 Approved:  
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8 Josh Schoemann, County Executive  
9 Dated 16 Mar 21

- 10  Veto
- 11  Partial Veto

Introduced by DONALD A. KRIEFALL  
COUNTY BOARD CHAIR  
as filed with the County Clerk.

  
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Donald A. Kriefall, Chairperson  
Considered 3-10-2021  
Adopted 3-10-2021  
Ayes 26 Noes 0 Absent 0  
Voice Vote \_\_\_\_\_

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13 (There is no direct fiscal impact resulting from this advisory resolution.)