## Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Steve Simon Secretary of State 332 Minnesota Street, Suite N201 Saint Paul, MN 55101

Secretary Simon,

We write today to follow up on our November 20, 2024, letter to you concerning the widely reported issues with the 2024 election results in several legislative races across Minnesota.<sup>1</sup>

In Scott County, it has been confirmed that 20 ballots were likely disposed of in Shakopee's 10<sup>th</sup> Precinct without being counted, where the reported margin for Minnesota House District 54A is 14 votes.<sup>2</sup> The results of this race are currently being litigated in the First Judicial District Court of Minnesota.

As details continue to be revealed in this case, faith in our elections is at stake. Accordingly, to better understand all the facts and circumstances surrounding this matter, we reiterate the relevant requests from our letter on November 20, 2024, as follows:

- A list of all reported election reporting and result discrepancies and errors, reasons why the discrepancies and errors occurred, and if the discrepancies and errors have been resolved.
- Changes your office will pursue in the next legislative session to ensure that elections are plainly accurate and widely accepted in the future.
- Actions your office will take to hold counties with errors and discrepancies accountable to their voters

Moreover, we request confirmation from the Secretary of State's office that no additional ballots in the State of Minnesota were illegally disposed of during the counting, tabulating, or recounting of ballots during the 2024 election.

Minnesotans across our state deserve to have confidence that their vote was accurately counted and that their state's election officials are committed to providing full transparency during the counting and certification of Minnesota's elections. We appreciate your attention to this urgent matter and request that you provide a response by December 31, 2024.

Sincerely,

**Brad Finstad** 

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Tom Emmer

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 $<sup>^1</sup> https://finstad.house.gov/\_cache/files/e/9/e908d02f-e9b4-4ffd-bb4d-e92b0e9e4bb0/EF4BBA896986B462DB391ACA17D0D22C.11.20.2024-mn-delegation-letter-to-sos---2024-election-results.pdf$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.fox9.com/news/mn-district-54a-race-election-lawsuit-trial-scott-county