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The Honorable Paul D. Pate  
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First Floor, Lucas Building  
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Dear Mr. Secretary,

I am writing to object to nomination petitions for four Candidates in the June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 Republican Primary for the 4<sup>th</sup> Congressional District for the U.S. House of Representatives. The attached documents outline significant deficiencies in the nomination petitions for the following candidates State Senator Randy Feenstra, Congressman Steve King, Bret A. Richards, Former State Representative Jeremy Taylor.

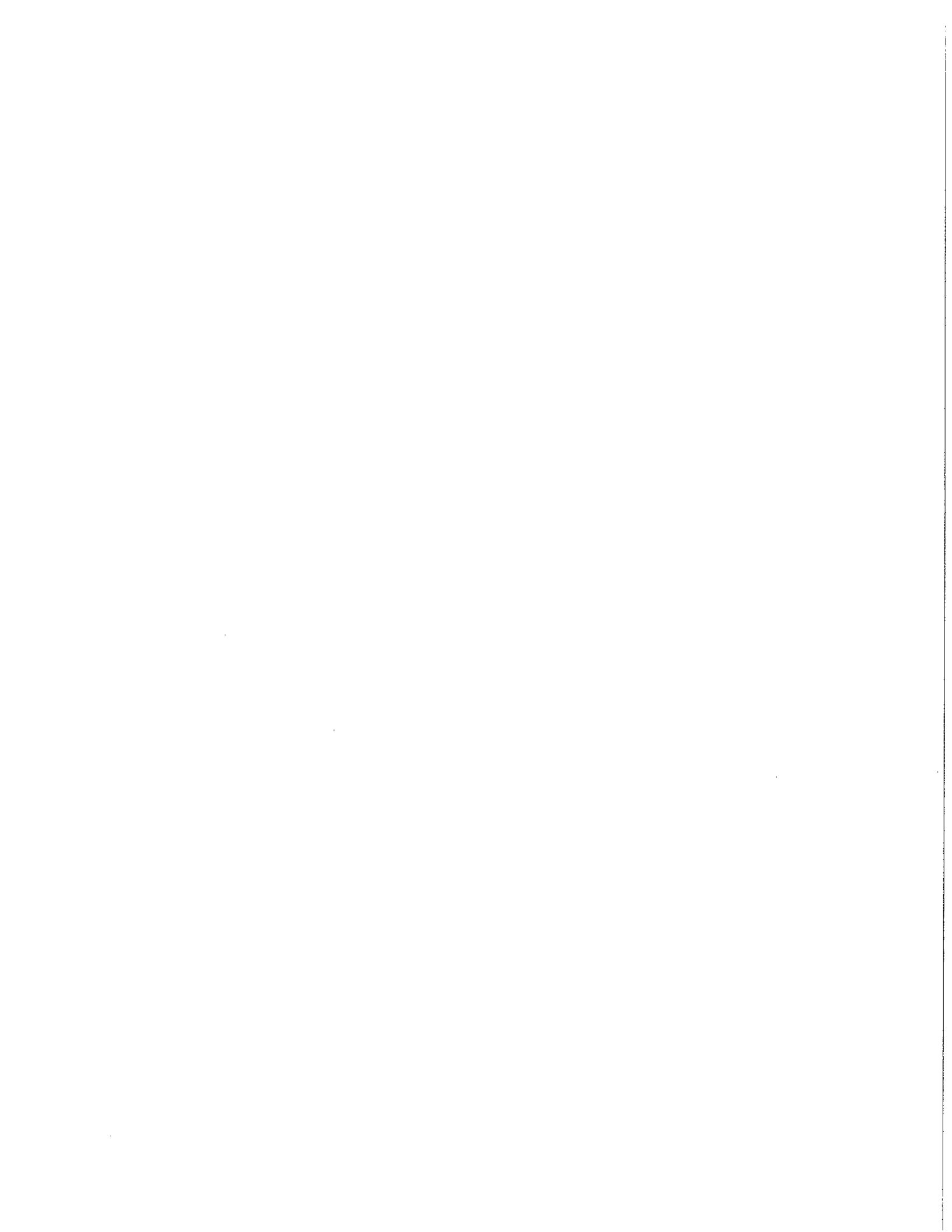
These are unique and extraordinary times and I have been informed that your office has taken steps to have limited social contact and ensure social distancing at the hearing. I had a brief conversation with Molly Widen of your office and she outlined how the process will be handled.

Should you or you representative need to contact me for coordination of the hearing please call my cell phone at 712-333-1038.



Cyndi Hanson, Ph.D.

Enclosures: Petitions Objections State Senator Randy Feenstra  
Petitions Objections Congressman Steve King  
Petitions Objections Bret A. Richards  
Petitions Objections Former State Representative Jeremy Taylor



*NOTE: Republican candidates for Congress in Iowa's Fourth District are required to collect signatures from eligible voters in 20 counties totaling 1874 signatures in order to gain ballot access.*

## ISSUES WITH NOMINATION PAPERS

### **RANDY FEENSTRA**

#### Systemic:

1. Three of Feenstra's campaign workers circulating nomination petitions for the campaign listed Feenstra's home as their address in the circulator box. Emily Schwickerath, Josh Perschall, and Matthew Leopold listed 641 2<sup>nd</sup> St, Hull, IA 51239 as their address on almost all of their nomination petitions. Yet, Leopold and Schwickerath are registered to vote in Dallas County, and on one nomination petition for Chickasaw County, Schwickerath listed her address as 2689 NW 165<sup>th</sup> Ln, Clive, IA 50325, and on a nomination paper for Palo Alto County, Leopold listed the same address in Clive. Iowa Code 2020, §43.14(1)g, §45.5(1)f call for circulators their address and not just any address. If this objection is to be approved, Feenstra would qualify in two counties (18 below the minimum). If this objection is rejected, the address box means little and any circulator may list 1600 Pennsylvania Ave, Washington, DC as their address.
2. Feenstra filed with the FEC as "Randall Feenstra" yet submitted an affidavit of candidacy and nomination papers listing his name as "Randy Feenstra". The name "Randy Feenstra" is listed on almost every nomination paper he submitted (excluding Feenstra Sioux ) and if this objection is approved, he would qualify for the ballot in 0 counties (20 below the minimum). If there is no strict attention paid to matching names, an individual could file with the FEC as "George Smith", submit an affidavit as "Jerry Smith", and collect signatures as "James Smith" and still qualify for the ballot. Take another hypothetical: if two candidates—John Doe and John Doe—are facing off in an election and it is decided that the second John Doe must include his middle initial for the purposes of clarity, can the second John Doe still collect signatures without his middle initial?
3. Following recent issues in Iowa electoral history, a circulator box was added to each nomination petition sheet to prevent fraudulent collection. The intent of this law was for the circulator to have witnessed the signatures being made and be able to report to the panel that the signatures were legitimate. Schwickerath and Perschall signed that they circulated petitions that ended up collecting 793 signatures on February 3, 2020 from 20 different counties. The date is notable as it was the date of the Iowa caucuses when many campaigns distribute their nomination petitions to caucus locations without members of the campaign necessarily being present. According to the Feenstra campaign's social media pages, Schwickerath attended caucuses in Boone County and Perschall attended the Webster County caucus. However, it is physically impossible to be present in dozens of caucus locations necessary to collect 793 signatures at once. Instead, a different individual witnessed the signatures being made at the beginning of caucus, and Schwickerath and Perschall added their names after the fact without circulating the petition. If this objection is to be approved, Feenstra would qualify in 16 counties (4

below the minimum) assuming that Schwickerath testifies that she witnessed the Boone County signatures being made. If this objection is rejected, the circulator box is meaningless, these important recent reforms have no enforcement measurement, and election security in the state of Iowa is nothing but an open door.

County specific:

- CLAY – The required number of signatures in Clay County for a Republican to qualify for the ballot is 88. Feenstra filed 94 (six signatures over the required minimum). However, within this count include 7 duplicate signatures, 4 voters from other counties who signed for Clay County, and 6 unidentifiable persons.

EXAMPLES:

Duplicates

1. Norma Otto: registered at 3330 165<sup>th</sup> Ave, Everly, IA signed on February 3, 2020 and February 21, 2020.
2. Burlin Mathews: registered at 805 11<sup>th</sup> Ave West, Spencer, IA signed on September 13, 2019 and February 3, 2019.
3. Megan Jones: registered at 4470 HWY 71, Sioux Rapids, IA signed on September 13, 2019 and February 3, 2020.
4. Chandler Halverson: claiming to be registered at 2200 West 11<sup>th</sup> St, Apt 1, Spencer, IA signed on September 13, 2019 and February 21, 2020.
5. Allan Otto: registered at 3330 165<sup>th</sup> Ave, Everly, IA signed on February 3, 2020 and February 21, 2020.
6. Reynold Peterson: registered at 1604 4<sup>th</sup> Ave E, Spencer, IA signed on September 9, 2019 and January 17, 2020.
7. Gannon Bennett: claiming to be registered at 2200 West 11<sup>th</sup> St, Apt 1, Spencer, IA signed on September 13, 2019 and February 21, 2020.

Outside of Clay County

1. Jesse Wolfe: registered at 4860 390<sup>th</sup> St, Emmetsburg, IA, which is in Palo Alto County.
2. Ronald Graettinger: registered at 4011 290<sup>th</sup> St, Graettinger, IA, which is in Palo Alto County.
3. Joe West: registered at 106 N 10<sup>th</sup> St, Apt 603, Fort Dodge, IA, which is in Webster County.
4. Jeff Cookinham: registered at 601 Q Ave, Milford, IA, which is in Dickinson County.

Unidentifiable persons

1. Chandler Halverson is not registered at 2200 West 11<sup>th</sup> St, Apt 1, Spencer, IA.
2. Gannon Bennett is not registered at 2200 West 11<sup>th</sup> St, Apt 1, Spencer, IA.
3. Zach Farrenkopf is not registered at 100 12<sup>th</sup> St SW, Apt 6, Spencer, IA.
4. Feenstra Clay 9, #2 is not registered at the given address.

5. Feenstra Clay 9, #5 is not registered at the given address.
  6. Feenstra Clay 9, #9 is not registered at the given address.
- POCAHONTAS – The required number of signatures in Pocahontas County for a Republican to qualify for the ballot is 42. Feenstra filed 46 (four signatures over the required minimum). However, within this count include 12 unidentifiable persons.

EXAMPLES:

Unidentifiable persons

1. Feenstra Pocahontas 1, #1 is not registered at the given address.
  2. Feenstra Pocahontas 1, #2 is not registered at the given address.
  3. Feenstra Pocahontas 1, #3 is not registered at the given address.
  4. Feenstra Pocahontas 1, #4 is not registered at the given address.
  5. Feenstra Pocahontas 1, #5 is not registered at the given address.
  6. Feenstra Pocahontas 1, #6 is not registered at the given address.
  7. Feenstra Pocahontas 2, #2 is not registered at the given address.
  8. Feenstra Pocahontas 2, #3 is not registered at the given address.
  9. Feenstra Pocahontas 2, #4 is not registered at the given address.
  10. Feenstra Pocahontas 2, #5 is not registered at the given address.
  11. Feenstra Pocahontas 2, #6 is not registered at the given address.
  12. Feenstra Pocahontas 2, #15 is not registered at the given address.
- HARDIN – The required number of signatures in Hardin County for a Republican to qualify for the ballot is 89. Feenstra filed 95 (six signatures over the required minimum). However, within this count include 6 duplicates and 1 unidentifiable person.

EXAMPLES:

Duplicates

1. Gordon Kolterman: registered at 201 Elm St, Buckeye, IA signed on September 12, 2019 and February 3, 2020.
2. Richard Dreifke: registered at 212 S Lincoln St, Hubbard, IA signed on September 12, 2019 and February 3, 2020.
3. James Granzow: registered at 314 W Maple St, Hubbard, IA signed on September 12, 2019 and February 3, 2020.
4. Lorraine Kolterman: registered at 201 Elm St, Buckeye, IA signed on September 12, 2019 and February 3, 2020.
5. Mark Buschkamp: registered at 1146 Highway S41, Iowa Falls, IA signed on September 12, 2019 and February 3, 2020.
6. Paden Lawler: registered at 30273 300<sup>th</sup> St, Union, IA signed on September 12, 2019 and February 3, 2020.

Unidentifiable person

1. Feenstra Hardin 9, #14 is not registered to vote at the given address.

- PLYMOUTH – The required number of signatures in Plymouth County for a Republican to qualify for the ballot is 159. Feenstra filed 167 (eight signatures over the required minimum). However, within this count included 5 duplicates, 6 unidentifiable persons, and 1 person who failed to date his/her signature.

EXAMPLES:

Duplicates

1. Douglas Downing: registered at 222 16<sup>th</sup> St SE, Le Mars, IA signed on February 3, 2020 and February 21, 2020.
2. Michael Van Otterloo: registered at 520 1<sup>st</sup> Ave SE, Le Mars, IA signed on July 24, 2019 and February 3, 2020.
3. Steven Derocher: registered at 31884 Highway 3, Le Mars, IA signed on September 5, 2019 and January 18, 2020.
4. Cari Kellen: registered at 225 1<sup>st</sup> Ave SE, Le Mars, IA signed on September 5, 2019 and February 3, 2020.
5. Duane Walhof: registered at 1304 16<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Le Mars, IA signed on July 24, 2019 and September 5, 2019.

Unidentifiable person

1. Feenstra Plymouth 3, #7 is not registered at the given address.
2. Feenstra Plymouth 5, #14 is not registered at the given address.
3. Feenstra Plymouth 5, #15 is not registered at the given address.
4. Feenstra Plymouth 9, #4 is not registered at the given address.
5. Feenstra Plymouth 10, #4 is not registered at the given address.
6. Feenstra Plymouth 13, #7 is not registered at the given address.

Missing information

1. Feenstra Plymouth 10, #1 failed to date his/her signature.

- CALHOUN – The required number of signatures in Calhoun County for a Republican to qualify for the ballot is 55. Feenstra filed 63 (eight signatures over the required minimum). However, within this count included 1 duplicate and 8 unidentifiable persons.

EXAMPLES:

Duplicates

1. Marc DeMoss: registered at 424 Richmond St, Rockwell City, IA signed on February 3, 2020 and February 11, 2020.

Unidentifiable person

1. Feenstra Calhoun 1, #3 is not registered at the given address.
2. Feenstra Calhoun 1, #4 is not registered at the given address.
3. Feenstra Calhoun 1, #11 is not registered at the given address.

4. Feenstra Calhoun 3, #8 is not registered at the given address.
  5. Feenstra Calhoun 3, #15 is not registered at the given address.
  6. Feenstra Calhoun 4, #8 is not registered at the given address.
  7. Feenstra Calhoun 5, #4 is not registered at the given address.
  8. Feenstra Calhoun 5, #10 is not registered at the given address.
- STORY – The required number of signatures in Story County for a Republican to qualify for the ballot is 331. Feenstra filed 358 (27 signatures over the required minimum). However, within this count included 14 duplicate signatures, 39 unidentifiable persons, 1 deceased person, 2 residing outside of the jurisdiction, 2 incorrect forms, and 1 example of missing information.

EXAMPLES:

Duplicates

1. Debra Emery: registered at 2811 Northwood Dr, Ames, IA signed on November 7, 2019 and January 25, 2020.
2. Larry Whitehill: registered at 226 S Green St, Roland, IA signed on November 17, 2019 and February 3, 2020.
3. Feenstra Story 26, #4 claiming to be registered at 2320 Lincoln Way, Apt 301, Ames, IA signed on October 24, 2019 and February 17, 2020.
4. Jacob Schrader: registered at 122 Hayward Ave, Unit 602, Ames, IA signed on August 20, 2019 and November 21, 2019.
5. Feenstra Story 34, #4 claiming to be registered at 311 Ash Ave, Ames, IA signed on December 14, 2019 and February 17, 2020.
6. Feenstra Story 34, #5 claiming to be registered at 311 Ash Ave, Ames, IA signed on November 19, 2019 and February 17, 2020.
7. Feenstra Story 34, #6 claiming to be registered at 311 Ash Ave, Ames, IA signed on November 19, 2019 and February 17, 2020.
8. Feenstra Story 34, #8 claiming to be registered at 311 Ash Ave, Ames, IA signed on December 15, 2019 and February 17, 2020.
9. Feenstra Story 34, #12 claiming to be registered at 311 Ash Ave, Ames, IA signed on November 21, 2019 and February 17, 2020.
10. Feenstra Story 34, #14 claiming to be registered at 311 Ash Ave, Ames, IA signed on November 19, 2019 and February 17, 2020.
11. Feenstra Story 35, #1 claiming to be registered at 311 Ash Ave, Ames, IA signed on December 19, 2019 and February 17, 2020.
12. Feenstra Story 40, #5 claiming to be registered at 311 Ash Ave, Ames, IA signed on November 19, 2019 and February 17, 2020.
13. Feenstra Story 40, #6 claiming to be registered at 57476 190<sup>th</sup> St, Ames, IA signed on November 21, 2019 and February 17, 2020.
14. Feenstra Story 41, #4 claiming to be registered at 311 Ash Ave, Ames, IA signed on January 15, 2020 and February 17, 2020.

Unidentifiable persons

1. Feenstra Story 3, #1 is not registered at the given address.
2. Feenstra Story 4, #3 is not registered at the given address.
3. Feenstra Story 7, #2 is not registered at the given address.
4. Feenstra Story 9, #2 is not registered at the given address.
5. Feenstra Story 9, #8 is not registered at the given address.
6. Feenstra Story 14, #1 is not registered at the given address.
7. Feenstra Story 16, #9 is not registered at the given address.
8. Feenstra Story 17, #5 is not registered at the given address.
9. Feenstra Story 19, #2 is not registered at the given address.
10. Feenstra Story 20, #12 is not registered at the given address.
11. Feenstra Story 22, #5 is not registered at the given address.
12. Feenstra Story 22, #6 is not registered at the given address.
13. Feenstra Story 23, #2 is not registered at the given address.
14. Feenstra Story 24, #7 is not registered at the given address.
15. Feenstra Story 32, #6 is not registered at the given address.
16. Feenstra Story 32, #7 is not registered at the given address.
17. Feenstra Story 32, #9 is not registered at the given address.
18. Feenstra Story 32, #12 is not registered at the given address.
19. Feenstra Story 34, #7 is not registered at the given address.
20. Feenstra Story 34, #15 is not registered at the given address.
21. Feenstra Story 35, #14 is not registered at the given address.
22. Feenstra Story 36, #7 is not registered at the given address.
23. Feenstra Story 36, #10 is not registered at the given address.
24. Feenstra Story 36, #11 is not registered at the given address.
25. Feenstra Story 36, #12 is not registered at the given address.
26. Feenstra Story 41, #15 is not registered at the given address.
27. Feenstra Story 42, #2 is not registered at the given address.
28. Feenstra Story 42, #3 is not registered at the given address.
29. Feenstra Story 42, #4 is not registered at the given address.
30. Feenstra Story 43, #1 is not registered at the given address.
31. Feenstra Story 43, #3 is not registered at the given address.
32. Feenstra Story 43, #11 is not registered at the given address.
33. Feenstra Story 43, #15 is not registered at the given address.
34. Feenstra Story 44, #3 is not registered at the given address.
35. Feenstra Story 44, #5 is not registered at the given address.
36. Feenstra Story 43, #11 is not registered at the given address.
37. Feenstra Story 43, #15 is not registered at the given address.
38. Feenstra Story 46, #1 is not registered at the given address.
39. Feenstra Story 46, #10 is not registered at the given address.

Deceased



1. Deb Deyoe, once registered at 66272 220<sup>th</sup> St, Nevada, IA has since passed away.

Outside of Story County

1. Feenstra Story 45, #2 is claiming to be registered at 12 S Barbara Dr, Marshalltown, IA, which is in Marshall County.
2. Feenstra Story 45, #9 is claiming to be registered at 4120 NE 181<sup>st</sup> Pl, Cambridge, IA, which is in Polk County.

Incorrect form

1. On the sheet titled Feenstra Story 27, the circulator neglected to endorse the nomination paper.
2. On the sheet titled Feenstra Story 33, the circulator neglected to endorse the nomination paper.

Missing information

1. Feenstra Story 35, #14 failed to date his/her signature.

**STEVE KING**

Systemic:

1. As stated previously, following recent issues in Iowa electoral history, a circulator box was added to each nomination petition sheet to prevent fraudulent collection. The intent of this law was for the circulator to have witnessed the signatures being made and be able to report to the panel that the signatures were legitimate. Jeff King signed that he had personally collected 2,846 signatures on February 3, 2020 from 36 different counties. The date is notable as it was the date of the Iowa caucuses when many campaigns distribute their nomination petitions to caucus locations without members of the campaign necessarily being present. According to records from caucus night, Jeff King was present at the Sac County caucus in order to be elected a county delegate. Moreover, it is physically impossible to be present in over 100 caucus locations necessary to collect 2,846 signatures at once. Instead, a different individual witnessed the signatures being made at the beginning of caucus, and Jeff King typed his name into the circulator box without circulating the petition. If this objection is to be approved, Steve King would qualify in 1 county (19 below the minimum) assuming that Jeff King testifies that he witnessed the Sac County signatures being made. If this objection is rejected, the circulator box is meaningless, these important recent reforms have no enforcement measurement, and election security in the state of Iowa is nothing but an open door.

**BRET A RICHARDS**

Systemic:

1. As stated just before, following recent issues in Iowa electoral history, a circulator box was added to each nomination petition sheet to prevent fraudulent collection. The intent of this law was for the circulator to have witnessed the signatures being made and be able to report to the panel that the signatures were legitimate. Brett Barbin signed that he had personally collected 214 signatures on February 3, 2020 from 12 different counties. The date is notable as it was the date of the Iowa caucuses when many campaigns distribute their nomination petitions to caucus locations without members of the campaign necessarily being present. According to records provided from caucus night, Barbin was present at the Crawford County Southeast Precinct Caucus in order to be elected a delegate. However, it is impossible to be present in over a dozen caucus locations across the Fourth District necessary to collect 214 signatures at once. Instead, a different individual witnessed the signatures being made at the beginning of caucus, and Barbin wrote his name into the circulator box without circulating the petition. If this objection is to be approved, Richards would qualify in 33 counties (13 above the minimum). If this objection is rejected, the circulator box is meaningless, these important recent reforms have no enforcement measurement, and election security in the state of Iowa is nothing but an open door.

**JEREMY TAYLOR**

Systemic:

1. On January 24, 2020, Woodbury County Auditor Pat Gill found that Jeremy Taylor ceased residing at 3215 Grandview Blvd, Sioux City, IA after purchasing a home at 5202 Christy Road, Sioux City, IA in May of 2019. Taylor's voter registration at Grandview was subsequently revoked after this discovery. Iowa Code 2020, §43.14 calls for circulators to note "the printed name, signature, **address**, and phone number of the person responsible for circulating the petition page". Following this decision in late January 2020, Taylor began writing the Christy Road address as his own in the circulator box. Yet, between the months of June 2019 and January 2020—the months during which he was found not to reside at Grandview—Taylor used the Grandview address for the circulator box on every petition page. During the proceedings before Gill, Taylor affirmed that his wife, Kim, and the rest of his family resided at Christy Road starting in June 2019. Along with her husband, Kim Taylor circulated a number of sheets and listed her address at Grandview between June 2019 and January 2020 as well. If this objection to the Taylors' residency is approved, Taylor would qualify in 14 counties (six below the minimum). If this objection is rejected, the panel believes residency is not a requirement to be one's address.
2. Iowa Code 2020, §43.14 calls for circulators to note "the printed name, signature, address, and **phone number** of the person responsible for circulating the petition page". On a number of nomination papers, Taylor neglected to list his phone number.

3. As stated previously, following recent issues in Iowa electoral history, a circulator box was added to each nomination petition sheet to prevent fraudulent collection. The intent of this law was for the circulator to have witnessed the signatures being made and be able to report to the panel that the signatures were legitimate. Blake Jackson, Jeremy Taylor, and Kim Taylor signed that they circulated petitions on February 3, 2020 that ended up collecting 458 signatures from 17 different counties. The date is notable as it was the date of the Iowa caucuses when many campaigns distribute their nomination petitions to caucus locations without members of the campaign necessarily being present. According to the Taylor campaign's social media pages as well as records from caucus night, all three persons attended caucuses in Woodbury County in order to vote and run for county delegate. However, it is physically impossible to be present in dozens of caucus locations across the district necessary to collect 458 signatures at once. Instead, a different individual witnessed the signatures being made at the beginning of caucus, and Jackson and the Taylors added their names after the fact without circulating the petition. If this objection is to be approved, Taylor would qualify in 22 counties (2 above the minimum). If this objection is rejected, the circulator box is meaningless, these important recent reforms have no enforcement measurement, and election security in the state of Iowa is nothing but an open door.

County specific:

- HARRISON – The required number of signatures in Harrison County for a Republican to qualify for the ballot is 79. Taylor filed 83 (four signatures over the required minimum). However, within this count include 6 duplicate signatures, 1 signature from a voter residing outside of Harrison County, 1 unidentifiable person, and a sheet with an incorrectly filled out candidate box.

EXAMPLES:

Duplicates

1. Tammi Mether: registered at 1077 Macy Ln, Moorhead, IA signed on August 25, 2019 and February 3, 2020.
2. Wayne Bahr: registered at 401 Pine St, Mondamin, IA signed on February 3, 2020 and February 27, 2020.
3. Jerry Shelton: registered at 109 Pine St, Mondamin, IA signed on February 3, 2020 and February 27, 2020.
4. Sharon Bahr: registered at 401 Pine St, Mondamin, IA signed on August 25, 2019 and February 3, 2020.
5. Lynn Petterson: registered at 3244 Urbana Ave, Persia, IA signed on August 25, 2019 and February 20, 2020.
6. Neil Knauss: registered at 3032 Overton Ave, Logan, IA signed on August 25, 2020 and February 20, 2020.

Outside of Harrison County

1. Bonnie Winey: registered at 303 S 15<sup>th</sup> St, Denison, IA which is in Crawford County.

Unidentifiable persons

2. Taylor Harrison 7, #3 is not registered at the given address.

Incorrect form

1. On the sheet titled Taylor Harrison 8, **both** answers to the question “Is the candidate running to fill a vacancy due to death, resignation, or temporary appointment of an office holder?” are checked. Although only “No” is checked on almost all other petitions, this form would have misled voters to believe that Taylor, in this particular case, was running in a special election to fill the seat after Congressman King had died or resigned from Congress. The 2020 Candidate’s Guide to the Primary Election states that when the “yes” box is checked, the “candidate is running to fill the remainder of an unexpired term” (2020 Candidate’s Guide to the Primary Election, 4). This is not the case in Taylor’s election.

If these objections are approved, Taylor would lose 15 signatures from Harrison County and fall short of the threshold by 11 signatures. If this second objection is rejected, it should be made known that this question need not be answered correctly.

- AUDUBON – The required number of signatures in Audubon County for a Republican to qualify for the ballot is 34. Taylor filed 44. 10 signatures over the required minimum. However, within this count include 1 duplicate signature and an invalid sheet containing a different candidate name than was written on Taylor’s affidavit of candidacy.

EXAMPLES:

Duplicates

1. Todd Johnson: registered at 1227 280<sup>th</sup> St, Elk Horn, IA signed on February 3, 2020 and February 25, 2020.

Incorrect form

1. On the sheet titled Taylor Audubon 1, a different candidate name than that which is written on Taylor’s affidavit of candidacy is included. According to the Secretary of State’s 2020 Candidate’s Guide to the Primary Election as well as Iowa Code 2020, §43.14(1)b, §45.5(1)b, the candidate’s name must be included on every nomination paper and “printed *exactly* as the candidate wishes the name to appear on the ballot” (2020 Candidate’s Guide to the Primary Election, 6). Similarly, the name that appears on the affidavit “must be printed *exactly* as the candidate wishes the name to appear on the ballot” (2020 Candidate’s Guide to the Primary Election, 4). Transitively speaking, no variation between affidavit and nomination papers beyond what the candidate wishes the name to appear on the ballot is permitted. The Taylor

Audubon 1 sheet lists its candidate name as “Jeremy James Taylor” and should therefore count towards the filing of a candidate “Jeremy James Taylor” and not “Jeremy Taylor”. If this objection is rejected, the precedent that is set is that a candidate name’s on the affidavit need not match the respective nomination papers, even in the case when clarity is critical.

- CALHOUN – The required number of signatures in Calhoun County for a Republican to qualify for the ballot is 55. Taylor filed 65. 10 signatures over the required minimum. However, within this count include 4 unidentifiable persons and 3 incorrect forms.

EXAMPLES:

Unidentifiable persons

1. Taylor Calhoun 1, #2 is not registered at the given address.
2. Taylor Calhoun 1, #2 is not registered at the given address.
3. Taylor Calhoun 5, #1 is not registered at the given address.
4. Taylor Calhoun 9, #8 is not registered at the given address.

Incorrect form

1. Taylor Calhoun 5 lists “Jeremy James Taylor” as the candidate.
2. Taylor Calhoun 5 does not list a circulator phone number as required by Iowa Code 2020, §43.14(1)g, §45.5(1)f.
3. Taylor Calhoun 1 presents **both** answers to the question “Is the candidate running to fill a vacancy due to death, resignation, or temporary appointment of an office holder?” to signers. Although only “No” is checked on almost all other petitions, this form would have misled voters to believe that Taylor, in this particular case, was running in a special election to fill the seat after Congressman King had died or resigned from Congress.

- DICKINSON – The required number of signatures in Dickinson County for a Republican to qualify for the ballot is 112. Taylor filed 156 (44 signatures over the required minimum). However, within this count include 20 duplicate signatures, 3 out of county signatures, 4 unidentifiable persons, and 4 sheets with significant circulator errors.

EXAMPLES:

Duplicates

1. Kristin Rowley: registered at 1311 Gary Ave, Spirit Lake, IA signed on August 14, 2019, November 18, 2019, and February 3, 2020.
2. Lois Clark: registered at 304 S State St, Terril, IA signed on August 14, 2019 and November 18, 2019.
3. James Blum: registered at 16470 255<sup>th</sup> Ave, Spirit Lake, IA signed on March 14, 2019 and November 18, 2019.
4. Daniel Rogers: registered at 2202 Jackson Ave, Spirit Lake, IA signed on December 12, 2019 and February 3, 2020.

5. Doris Tibben: registered at 25482 165th St, Spirit Lake, IA signed on August 14, 2019 and February 3, 2020.
6. Barbara Clayton: registered at 13265 253<sup>rd</sup> Ave, Orleans, IA signed on August 14, 2019 and November 18, 2019.
7. Janis Bowles: registered at 3622 Inwood Ct, Spirit Lake, IA signed on August 14, 2019 and November 18, 2019.
8. Carolyn Rossie: registered at 351 202<sup>nd</sup> St, Arnolds Park, IA signed on August 14, 2019 and February 3, 2020.
9. Ronald Knutson: registered at 20560 232<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Milford, IA signed on August 14, 2019, November 18, 2019, and February 3, 2020.
10. Pamela Jordan: registered at 2504 Keokuk Ave, Spirit Lake, IA signed on August 14, 2019 and December 12, 2019.
11. Steven Clark: registered at 304 S State St, Terril, IA signed on August 14, 2019 and November 18, 2019.
12. Herbert Stewart: registered at 302 Trappers Bay Rd, Lake Park, IA signed on August 14, 2019 and November 18, 2019.
13. Joann Lansdowne: registered at 302 Trappers Bay Rd, Lake Park, IA signed on August 14, 2019 and February 3, 2020.
14. Karen Fergen: registered at 524 252<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Orleans, IA signed on December 12, 2019 and February 3, 2020.
15. Andrew Beresford: registered at 2513 Adams Ave, Spirit Lake, IA signed on December 12, 2019 and February 3, 2020.
16. Charles Peter: registered at 2917 Sportsmans Drive, Milford, IA signed on November 18, 2019 and February 3, 2020.
17. Michael Koenecke: registered at 1040 28<sup>th</sup> St, Spirit Lake, IA signed on November 18, 2019 and February 3, 2020.
18. Randal Rosenboom: registered at 3363 170<sup>th</sup> St, Estherville, IA signed on November 18, 2019 and February 3, 2020.

Outside of Dickinson County

3. Kevin Brown: registered at 1320 Fairview Ave, Spencer, IA which is in Clay County.
4. Taylor Dickinson 2, #14 is a Sheldon address in O'Brien County.
5. Shannon Lehmkuhl is registered at 17 Alexander Rd, Estherville, IA which is in Emmet County.

Unidentifiable persons

1. Taylor Dickinson 2, #9 is not registered at the given address.
2. Taylor Dickinson 2, #10 is not registered at the given address.
3. Taylor Dickinson 8, #20 is not registered at the given address.
4. Taylor Dickinson 17, #6 is not registered at the given address.

Incorrect form

1. On the sheet titled Taylor Dickinson 2, a different election date is given than the one Taylor provided on his affidavit of candidacy. According to the Secretary of State's 2020 Candidate's Guide to the Primary Election as well as Iowa Code 2020, §43.14(1)f, §45.5(1)e, the date of the election for which the candidate is nominated must be included. June 2, 2020 is the election date Taylor listed on his affidavit of candidacy, not February 22, 2020 which is included on this page.
  2. Taylor Dickinson 6 lists the election date as February 22, 2020.
  3. Taylor Dickinson 8 lists "Jeremy James Taylor" as the candidate.
  4. Taylor Dickinson 17 lists the election date as February 22, 2020.
- POCAHONTAS – The required number of signatures in Pocahontas County for a Republican to qualify for the ballot is 42. Taylor filed 55 (13 signatures over the required minimum). However, within this count include 5 unidentifiable persons, 1 person residing outside the jurisdiction, and 2 incorrect forms.

EXAMPLES:

Unidentifiable persons

1. Taylor Pocahontas 1, #2 is not registered at the given address.
2. Taylor Pocahontas 1, #10 is not registered at the given address.
3. Taylor Pocahontas 2, #1 is not registered at the given address.
4. Taylor Pocahontas 2, #2 is not registered at the given address.
5. Taylor Pocahontas 2, #7 is not registered at the given address.

Outside of Pocahontas County

1. Jamie Hanssen is registered at 310 S Oswego St, Pomeroy, IA which is in Calhoun County.

Incorrect form

1. Taylor Pocahontas 2 incorrectly presents the date of the election as February 25, 2020.
2. Taylor Pocahontas 8 incorrectly states that Taylor's residence is in Pocahontas County.

If some of these blatant violations to the intent and letter of the Iowa Code are left unenforced, it would be an affront to the voter ID and election security measures pursued by this panel's respective offices. Our elections would become lawless, seeking public office would not be granted the appropriate seriousness, and our democratic nominating process would continue unsecured.

