

Exhibit A

From: [Doug Ruccione](#)
To: [Ron Schwartz](#)
Cc: [Noah Liben](#); [Reshma Khan](#); [Scott Salmon](#)
Subject: Re: Meeting on One Town One Vote initiative
Date: Monday, June 28, 2021 8:44:24 AM

Good morning & Happy Monday, Mr. Schwartz.

Thank you for your recap. Please be safe and keep us posted!

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Doug Ruccione
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To: Doug Ruccione <druccione@teanecknj.gov>
Cc: Noah Liben <noah.liben@gmail.com>, Reshma Khan <reshmakhan786@gmail.com>, Scott Salmon <ssalmon@jmslawyers.com>
Sent: 6/26/2021 7:45 PM
Subject: Meeting on One Town One Vote initiative

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Scott Salmon

From: Ron Schwartz <rockinron698@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, June 28, 2021 8:29 AM
To: Doug Ruccione
Cc: Noah Liben; Reshma Khan; Scott Salmon
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 - 7- Bill Rupp asked if the 25% requirement contained in assembly bill 5404, passed in 2019, applied to this petition rather than the 10-15% of NJSA40:69A-185. We responded that that amendatory statute only pertained to a change in the whole form of government from non-partisan to partisan and not to a mere change in the date for election of the council. Scott Salmon indicated that that statue had not even been raised by any of the parties in the litigation that had followed a similar successful initiative in Ridgewood last year.
 - 8-You requested that we file our petitions as early as possible as you anticipated that your office would have a lot of work to do with the CCA petition coming in as well. We responded that we planned on filing shortly after the July 4th holiday.

Thanks again for the meeting! Ron

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From: [Ron Schwartz](#)
To: [Doug Ruccione](#)
Cc: [Noah Liben](#); [Reshma Khan](#); [Scott Salmon](#)
Subject: Meeting on One Town One Vote initiative
Date: Saturday, June 26, 2021 7:45:51 PM

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Exhibit B

**2021 DIRECT PETITION TO MOVE THE DATE
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	SIGNATURE	PRINTED NAME	TEANECK ADDRESS
✓ 1.		Rachel Kadish	696 Chestnut ave
✗ 2.		Simcha Buch	659 Chestnut AV
✗ 3.		Rachel Buch	659 Chestnut
✗ 4.		Erin Richards	4104 Kipp St.
✓ 5.		Theresa Bease	55 Bedford ave Teaneck
✓ 6.		Ervin Bease	55 Bedford AV.
✓ 7.		MARGARET GRIFFITH	51 BEDFORD AVE.
✓ 8.		MICHAEL O. GRIFFITH	51 BEDFORD AVE.
✓ 9.		Jan Kevin Hyman	770 Sanford ST
✓ 10.		Sylvia Oden	755 Sanford St +
✓ 11.		LILLIE MICHELLI	730 GLENWOOD AVE

COMMITTEE OF PETITIONERS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:69A-186:

1. Loretta Weinberg, 9 Millay Court, Teaneck, NJ 07666
2. Theodora Lacey, 168 Stuyvesant Road, Teaneck, NJ 07666
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4. Teji Vega, 1118 Falmouth Ave., Teaneck, NJ 07666
5. Reshma Kahn, 108 Audubon Road, Teaneck, NJ 07666

	SIGNATURE	PRINTED NAME	TEANECK ADDRESS
X 12.	<i>Larry Michelli</i>	LARRY MICHELLI	730 Glenwood Ave
X 13.	<i>Sherry Perrine</i>	SHERRY PERRINE	730 Glenwood Ave
X 14.	<i>Flora Howell</i>	FLORA HOWELL	APT. F 1750 Glenwood Ave
X 15.	<i>Charlotte Sackey</i>	Charlotte Sackey	249 Lindbergh Blvd
X 16.	<i>Chris Cummings</i>	C Cummings	" " "
✓ 17.	<i>Edna C. Disinus</i>	EDNA C. DISINUS	280 E. Cedar Lane
X 18.	<i>Earl Taylor</i>	PENAL TAYLOR	280 E. Cedar Ln
✓ 19.	<i>Florence Williams</i>	FLORENCE WILLIAMS	280 E CEDAR LN APT 209
X 20.	<i>David M. Nash</i>	DAVE M. NASH	280 E. Cedar Ln. Teaneck, NJ.
X 21.	<i>Jacqueline Dice</i>	Jacqueline Dice	480 Kipp St. Teaneck.
✓ 22.	<i>Cristian Martinez</i>		480 Kipp St
X 23.	<i>Giuseppe Guiracocha</i>	Giuseppe Guiracocha	283 Pleasant Pl
X 24.	<i>Beatrice Wiley</i>	BEATRICE WILEY	411 CADMUS COURT
X 25.	<i>Joseph Wiley</i>	JOSEPH WILEY	411 CADMUS COURT

AFFIDAVIT OF PETITION CIRCULATOR

8/25
19/21

State of New Jersey)
) ss:
County of Bergen)

I, Juanita Brown, being duly sworn, upon my oath state that I am the only person who personally circulated this paper; that all of the signatures appended hereto were made in my presence; and that I believe said signatures to be the genuine signatures of the persons whose names they purport to be.

Sworn and subscribed before me this
10th day of July, 2021

Juanita Brown
Signature of Circulator
9241 Elm Avenue
Residence Address of Circulator
Teaneck, NJ 07666
City, State, and Zip of Circulator

Notary Public, State of New Jersey

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GINA M. GERSZBERG
NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY
My Commission Expires June 29, 2022

Sheet	Line	ID	Address	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Suffix
JB04	1	E2706552911	696 CHESTNUT AVE	KADISH	RACHEL		E
JB04	3	L4594053441	659 CHESTNUT AVE	BUCH	RACHEL		
JB04	4	B3991853578	464 KIPP ST	RICHARDS	ERIN	ANGELA	
JB04	5	C3053952495	55 BEDFORD AVE	BEASE	THERESA		
JB04	6	P6424353542	55 BEDFORD AVE	BEASE	ERVIN		G
JB04	7	C1623052490	51 BEDFORD AVE	GRIFFITH	MARGARET		
JB04	8	C1623152490	51 BEDFORD AVE	GRIFFITH	MICHAEL		O
JB04	10	F4256052580	755 SANFORD ST	ODEN	SYLVIA		M
JB04	11	F1499252570	730 GLENWOOD AVE	MICHELLI	LILLIE		S
JB04	12	F1500752570	730 GLENWOOD AVE	MICHELLI	LARRY		
JB04	13	F5940352585	730 GLENWOOD AVE	PERINE	SHERRY		Y
JB04	14	E2579852537	750 GLENWOOD AVE	HOWELL	FLORA		
JB04	17	I1553852644	280 E CEDAR LN	DISMUS	EDNA		C
JB04	18	C0828452487	280 E CEDAR LN	TAYLOR	PEARL		J
JB04	19	B3683652475	280 E CEDAR LN	WILLIAMS	FLORENCE		L
JB04	21	M6117153856	480 KIPP ST	DIAZ	JACQUELIN		
JB04	22	P6069953931	480 KIPP ST	MARTINEZ	CRISTIAN		L
JB04	23	G0324453690	283 PLEASANT PL	GUIRACOCCHA	GISELLE		E
JB04	24	D6503052529	611 CADMUS CT	WILEY	BEATRICE		L
JB04	25	E1871652535	611 CADMUS CT	WILEY	JOSEPH		L

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Explanatory Statement from the Committee of Petitioners:

Due to the public health emergency caused by COVID-19, Governor Murphy issued Executive Order No. 132 on April 29, 2020 which allowed for the submission of initiative and referendum petitions electronically. On January 25, 2021, Governor Murphy issued Executive Order No. 216, which reaffirmed that initiative and referendum petitions can be submitted electronically. In the interest of public safety and to limit unnecessary person-to-person contact, the Committee of Petitioners prepared this electronic petition. A website was built using technology to keep the internet connection secure and safeguard the transmission of the petition. The electronic petition was embedded into the website using software which allows for electronic signatures that are legal, trusted, and enforceable. The e-signature process is tracked securely and recorded in an audit trail, which provides clear evidence for each signature so that it can be proven the petition was signed and who signed it. Copies of e-signed petitions are automatically sent to the signer and to the Committee of Petitioners.

I, the undersigned, registered voter of the Township of Teaneck, Bergen County, New Jersey, acknowledge having read the entire petition including the question and interpretive statement appearing on the first page.

Signature:

Charelle Hanley

Name:

Address: Charelle Hanley

Charelle Hanley

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Exhibit C

29 July 2021

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RE: 2021 Direct Petition to Move the Date of Municipal Elections in the Township of Teaneck

Township of Teaneck

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TOWNSHIP CLERK

JOHN L. SHAHDANIAN II, ESQ.
TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY

On July 9, 2021, your Committee of Petitioners, which includes Loretta Weinberg, Theodora Lacey, Jeremy Lentz, Teji Vega and Reshma Khan (hereinafter “Committee”) submitted a document to my office entitled “2021 Direct Petition to Move the Date of Municipal Elections in the Township of Teaneck” (hereinafter referred to as “Petition”). The Petition was accompanied by supporting documents including both electronic and handwritten signature pages. Before my office conducted its review of the sufficiency of the Petition, we determined that the Committee submitted a total of 1,350 signatures in support of the Petition. 225 signatures were electronic, and 1,125 signatures were handwritten.

The Petition states the following:

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The Petition also lists the Committee members and references N.J.S.A. 40:69A-186.

For the reasons that follow, my office is unable to certify the Petition as submitted and will issue a Certification of Insufficiency pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:69A-187.

1) The Number of Signatures Submitted is Insufficient

Initially, for any petition or initiative, my office is required to determine what number of signatures is required. The Petition states that it is being submitted “in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:69A-25.1” which statute is entitled “Amendment of Charter to provide for alternate elections” Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:69A-25.1(a)(2), “the petition submitting the ordinance to the municipal council ... shall be signed by a number of the legal voters of the municipality equal in number to at least 25 percent of the total votes cast in the municipality at the last election at which members of the General Assembly were elected.”

In Teaneck, the last election at which members of the General Assembly were elected was in 2019. There exists a legitimate question of what the statute means by the “total number of votes cast” but giving the statute the most liberal reading possible, the best reading for the Committee would be based on the total ballots cast for assembly candidates only, which figure was 7908. Thus, the total number of signatures required to submit an initiated ordinance pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:69A-25.1 is 25% of 7908 or 1977 signatures.

As set forth in my initial paragraph to this letter, the Committee has submitted 1,350 signatures in total. As a baseline number, that figure is insufficient. However, notwithstanding same, and to provide the Committee with further direction, my office has reviewed all of the signatures that were submitted and provides the following guidance.

First, the electronic signatures submitted by the Committee are all invalid. The basis for the acceptance of electronic signatures was set forth in Executive Order 132, which was effective April 29, 2020, which was modified by Executive Order 216 on January 25, 2021, and which was terminated by Executive Order 244 on June 4, 2021. Executive Order 244, which terminated the Public Health Emergency, was supplemented by PL 2021, C. 103, which provided for a thirty-day expiration period for all previously enacted Executive Orders. Thus, as of July 4, 2021, the relaxation of petition requirements, which permitted my office to accept electronic signatures, ended. As the Committee was on notice from the June 4, 2021, expiration that a 30-day extension existed and did not submit any electronic petitions until July 9, 2021, my office is unable to accept them, and they are all deemed invalid. Furthermore, of the 225 electronic petitions submitted, 13 petitions were not fully completed (missing printed name, address, signature), 5 petitions contained information not corresponding with voter registration information (name, address), 2 petitions were signed by non-registered voters of the Township, and 11 petitions had duplicate signatures (either signing both a hard copy & electronic copy, or two electronic copies).

Further, my office has also reviewed all of the remaining handwritten petition signatures, which total 1,125. Of those signatures, I have determined that 653 are valid and legal signatures. The rejected signatures were invalid for one or more of the following reasons: 97 signatures were from non-registered voters or registered voters not residents of the Township, 322 signatures contained information that did not correspond with the voter's registration information, 39 signatures were not fully completed, 9 signatures contained illegible information, and 5 duplicate signatures.

The Committee has previously asserted to me that it is only required to submit 791 signatures. The Committee has stated that said figure is based on 10% of the votes cast for the General Assembly in 2019 (7908 x 10%). It appears that the Committee, although citing to a different statute on the actual Petition, now wants to rely upon N.J.S.A. 40:45-7.1, which is the "Uniform Nonpartisan Election Law." Pursuant to that statute, the minimum number of signatures would be for an initiated ordinance pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:69A-184. There exists a legitimate question as to what the Uniform Nonpartisan Election law statute means by the "total number of votes cast" but giving the Committee the most liberal reading possible, the lowest number of signatures that the Committee would have to produce would be based on the total votes cast for assembly candidates only, which number was 7908.

As noted, the 10% figure that the Committee has claimed is applicable comes from a statute other than what is cited on the Petition. Nevertheless, even utilizing the Committee's calculations, the number of valid signatures submitted (653) is below their asserted threshold (791) and the Petition would be deemed insufficient.

As the number of valid signatures (653) is far below the aforementioned 25% requirement or the petitioners own stated requirement, my office need not resolve which Statute the Petition operates under at this time and the Petition will be certified as insufficient at the next meeting of the Township Council which will be held on August 10, 2021.

2) The Form of the Petition is Insufficient

In addition, although the Petition is insufficient based on the number of signatures submitted, we also note the following additional deficiency to help the Committee in the event they seek to cure same. To wit, if the Committee is relying upon N.J.S.A. 40A:69A-184, the form of the Petition is defective. The Petition is in the form of a question, which is an incorrect format. It must be in the form of an ordinance and "shall contain the full text of the proposed ordinance." See, N.J.S.A. 40:69A-186.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:69A-189, the Committee may amend the Petition at any time within ten days from this Notice of Insufficiency.

Respectfully,
Doug Ruccione, Township Clerk of the Township of Teaneck

Exhibit D

From: [Alan Sohn](#)
To: [Scott Salmon](#)
Subject: Fwd: OTOV signature - Shana Dworken
Date: Wednesday, August 11, 2021 6:27:51 PM

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From: **Shana Dworken** <shanad.twt@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Aug 11, 2021 at 6:19 PM
Subject: Fwd: OTOV signature - Shana Dworken
To: Alan Sohn <alansohn@gmail.com>

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From: **Doug Ruccione** <druccione@teanecknj.gov>
Date: Wed, Aug 11, 2021, 1:52 PM
Subject: Re: OTOV signature - Shana Dworken
To: Shana Dworken <shanad.twt@gmail.com>

Good afternoon, Shana. I am really sorry about this late reply. I tried to get to you Monday and yesterday but time slips away.

The middle initial was not an issue during my review for you or anyone - unless it was an absolute defining factor of a registered signature

The reason was your signature on the petition had more letters detailed than your registered signature; and also had differing swoops and cross-throughs.

I have a detailed spreadsheet and account of signatures that were invalid due to a non-comparison - and will be looking for them within this just received amendment. Thank you for letting me know you signed again so I may pay attention for your name.

The County compares and counts those signatures and I hope they apply a high level of discretion and discernment also.

If you have anything else on your mind please do not hesitate to touch base with me. happy Wednesday - stay hydrated!

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To: Doug Ruccione <druccione@teanecknj.gov>
Sent: 8/9/2021 1:09 PM
Subject: Re: OTOV signature - Shana Dworken

Thank you, are you able to tell me why? I didn't have my middle initial, is that the reason? Because otherwise it's my standard signature so I'm not sure. I resigned with my middle initial so if there's still a problem will you be able to let me know? I vote by mail and have not had an issue with my signature matching.

Thank you,
Shana Dworken

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On Mon, Aug 9, 2021, 12:26 PM Doug Ruccione <druccione@teanecknj.gov> wrote:
Good morning, Shana. Thank you for reaching out.

Your signature was invalid as it did not compare to your signature on your voter registration form.

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From: Shana Dworken <shanad.twt@gmail.com>
To: <druccione@teanecknj.gov>
Sent: 8/7/2021 9:00 PM
Subject: OTOV signature

Hi Doug,

It was nice meeting you the other day. My signature was rejected from the first One Town One Vote petition and I'm not sure why. I saw my signature and it looks like my standard signature. Would you be able to tell me why it was rejected?

Thanks so much,
Shana Dworken
1009 Garrison Ave

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Exhibit E

From: [Alan Sohn](#)
To: [Scott Salmon](#)
Subject: Fwd: Signed Petition
Date: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 3:32:43 PM

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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From: Salah Shabbir <salah@printfacility.com>
Date: Tue, Aug 17, 2021 at 3:24 PM
Subject: Fw: Signed Petition
To: alansohn@gmail.com <alansohn@gmail.com>
Cc: Reshma Khan <reshmakhan786@gmail.com>

See below please

Regards

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From: Doug Ruccione <druccione@teanecknj.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 3:19 PM
To: Salah Shabbir <salah@printfacility.com>
Subject: Re: Signed Petition

Of course;

the signature you provided was not comparable to the signature on your voter registration form.

The "a"s in your name can be clearly seen in your VR information; while the signature you provided on the petition they were not. Also, the signature you provided on the petition was much longer than the VR info on file.

I hope this helps. Thank you for exercising your civic rights and for reaching out to me!

-
Doug Ruccione

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Clerk's Office
Township of Teaneck
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From: Salah Shabbir <salah@printfacility.com>
To: Doug Ruccione <druccione@teanecknj.gov>
Sent: 8/17/2021 1:33 PM
Subject: Re: Signed Petition

I signed in the first round and my signature was rejected.
I need to know why my signature was rejected.

Regards

Salah Shabbir

From: Doug Ruccione <druccione@teanecknj.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 1:17 PM
To: Salah Shabbir <salah@printfacility.com>
Subject: Re: Signed Petition

Good afternoon & thank you for touching base!

Did you sign the original submission or the amendment, or both?

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From: Salah Shabbir <salah@printfacility.com>
To: "clerk@teanecknj.gov" <clerk@teanecknj.gov>
Sent: 8/17/2021 1:09 PM
Subject: Signed Petition

Dear Mr. Ruccione,

I signed the petition in favor of allowing the voters to decide whether or not we would like our municipal elections moved from May to November thereby increasing voter participation in the decision-making process. I'm in support of this referendum being on the ballot this November. Would you please let me know immediately if my signature was invalidated?

I will sign the petition again.

Sincerely

Salah Shabbir
425 Glenwood Ave
Teaneck, NJ 07666

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Exhibit F

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**2021 DIRECT PETITION TO MOVE THE DATE
OF MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF TEANECK**

12/24

To the Municipal Clerk of the Township of Teaneck:

We, the undersigned, registered voters of the Township of Teaneck, Bergen County, New Jersey, hereby request that the following question to change the municipal charter of the Township of Teaneck, be submitted to the electorate for a vote in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:69A-25.1, at the general election which next follows the submission of this petition:

Shall the charter of the Township of Teaneck, governed by the Council-Manager Plan of the Optional Municipal Charter Law, be amended, as permitted under that plan, to provide for the holding of nonpartisan general elections in November pursuant to the Uniform Nonpartisan Elections Law?

We, the undersigned, registered voters of the Township of Teaneck, Bergen County, New Jersey, further recommend that the following interpretive statement be submitted to the voters along with the question:

Interpretive Statement: The Township of Teaneck currently holds its nonpartisan municipal elections in May. This ballot question asks voters whether they want to adopt nonpartisan elections that would be held in November instead of May. If the voters say "Yes," candidates for Township Council will appear on the November election ballot without any political affiliation and there will be no primary election for candidates for Township Council. In additions, there will be clear separation on the general election ballot in November between the nonpartisan candidates for Township Council and the partisan candidates nominated by a political party for any other public office. A "No" vote will result in the continuation of nonpartisan elections to be held in May.

	SIGNATURE	PRINTED NAME	TEANECK ADDRESS
1.		TALIA ELKIN	583 GRENVILLE AVE
X2.	K. McCall <i>Direct sign</i>	Kristen McCall	561 Merion Street
X3.	Signature <i>Direct sign</i>	Ashley Edwards <i>Counted 1st HC</i>	107 Voorhees St
X4.	Eley Kohn <i>with MR</i>	Eley Kohn	486 Claremont Ave
5.		Harold Liso	767 East Ken Dr
X6.	E. Gyzh	Erica Gyzh	201-966-7709 <i>address?</i>
7.		GERALD A. HENRY	909 RIVER ROAD
8.		Marcella Schrank	1099 Margaret St.
9.		Maheen Artami	52 Fycke Ln.
X10.		Michael Raucher <i>Counted 1st HC</i>	552 Sagamore Ave.
11.		DANIEL HABER	1099 Bromley Ave

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	SIGNATURE	PRINTED NAME	TEANECK ADDRESS
✓ 12.		Aliza Strauss	1297 Sussex Rd
13.	Signature		
✓ 14.		Agnes Codratis	837 Essex Ave.
✓ 15.		Barbara Kinter	98 Cranford Pl
✓ 16.		Robyn Kinter	98 Cranford Pl
✓ 17.		HARRY R. KISSILEFF	397 W. ENGLEWOOD AVE
✓ 18.		Yocheved Dente	484 Kensington Rd
X 19.		Elba Perez	526 Beverly Rd
X 20.		Kelly Bedrosian	600 Beverly Rd
✓ 21.		Roberta Siegel	995 Grant Tron
X 22.		Leah Marcus	1500 Teaneck Rd Teaneck
✓ 23.		Grael A. Kempner	1500 Teaneck Rd Teaneck
X 24.		John Ostek	184 Pinewood Pl.
X 25.		Sue Ostek	184 Pinewood Pl.

AFFIDAVIT OF PETITION CIRCULATOR

State of New Jersey)
) ss:
County of Bergen)

I, ALICIA ROSS, being duly sworn, upon my oath state that I am the only person who personally circulated this paper; that all of the signatures appended hereto were made in my presence; and that I believe said signatures to be the genuine signatures of the persons whose names they purport to be.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 7TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2021

Notary Public, State of New Jersey

Signature of Circulator
167 Pinewood Pl.
Residence Address of Circulator
Teaneck, NJ 07666
City, State, and Zip of Circulator

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