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MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 17, 2016

TO: Wisconsin Municipal Clerks
City of Milwaukee Election Commission
Wisconsin County Clerks
Milwaukee County Election Commission

FROM: Michael Haas, Administrator

SUBJECT: Photo ID Petition Process

This communication is being issued pursuant to a federal court order in litigation regarding the Photo ID requirement and the Division of Motor Vehicles' ID Petition Process (IDPP). The Court's Order in the *One Wisconsin Institute* case requires that the Wisconsin Elections Commission distribute to local election officials new documents which assist individuals seeking a temporary receipt from the DMV which will allow them to vote when the individual does not have all of the necessary documents to obtain a Photo ID. The Court also ordered that the temporary receipt will be valid for 180 days. This will ensure that temporary receipts issued at this time will still be valid for the 2017 Spring Election.

Commission staff has worked with the DMV and the plaintiffs in the *One Wisconsin Institute* case to create an information sheet or palm card which clearly explains the process for obtaining a free Photo ID or temporary receipt. We have posted the information sheet in English and Spanish languages on our agency website and on the Bring It website at the following links:

<http://elections.wi.gov/publications/brochures/idpp-palmcard-brochure>

<http://www.bringitwisconsin.com/free-id-and-identification-card-petition-process-idpp-palm-card>

This document can be printed out by local election officials and organizations working with voters. It can be used as a single-sided document or folded in half so that it has two sides. We encourage clerks to consider making it available at municipal offices as well as at other locations in the community such as libraries, food pantries, and social service agencies.

In addition, attached are English and Spanish versions of a document which the DMV is providing to individuals who complete the ID Petition Process. It shows an illustration of the temporary receipt and explains that the DMV will send it by mail. During the week before and

the week of the General Election, the DMV will send the temporary receipt by overnight mail. We are providing this document for your information in case you would like to see what individuals will receive after visiting the DMV to complete the ID Petition Process.

If you have questions or concerns regarding these documents, please contact the Elections Commission HelpDesk at elections@.wi.gov or at (608) 261-2028.