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May 5, 2020

Mr. Michael Haas, Staff Counsel
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Sent via Email to Michael.Haas@Wisconsin.Gov

RE: Complained Filed by Milwaukee Resident Linda Tietz

This letter is in response to a complaint filed by Linda J. Tietz, a Milwaukee resident and voter that did not receive her requested absentee ballot for the April 7, 2020, Spring Election.

At the time Ms. Tietz applied for an absentee ballot on the Wisconsin Election Commission's MyVote website, she uploaded the required image of her photo ID. On processing her request, staff of the Milwaukee Election Commission noted that the image of the ID was not legible in that her name and the expiration date on the ID could not be discerned. Subsequently, Ms. Tietz was sent a letter by the Election Commission requesting a legible image of her ID. A copy of the letter, as sent on April 3, 2020, is attached along with the image of the photo ID that was uploaded to MyVote.

Based on the origin of Ms. Tietz's complaint, I would speculate that she never received our letter. This election occurred in an unstable and fractured environment that included expressed concerns by a significant number of absentee voters related to the delivery of mail. I find this and other aspects of the election very unfortunate and sincerely regret that Ms. Tietz may have lost her opportunity to vote due to this environment.

Please let me know if any additional information would be helpful. Additionally, please express our gratitude to Ms. Tietz for her dedication to voting.

Sincerely,

Neil Albrecht, Executive Director

STATE OF WISCONSIN
County of Milwaukee

Sworn to before me this 5 day of May, 2020

Notary Signature

My commission expires 7-22-2022, or is permanent





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Linda Tietz
442 S 91st Street
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Dear Valued Voter,

Thank you for submitting your absentee ballot request.

Before we can process your application, you must provide a copy of your photo ID. All absentee voters (unless military, permanently overseas, or indefinitely confined due to age, illness, infirmity, or disability) must provide a copy of their photo ID before being issued an absentee ballot. We will keep your ID on file for all future requests, unless you move.

If you submitted an ID with your application and are receiving this letter, the ID provided was not acceptable or we were unable to read important information such as your name or the expiration date. Selfies and out-of-state licenses cannot be accepted.

We have included a list of acceptable forms of ID with this mailing.

Once we receive your ID, we will process your absentee ballot application.

Please contact our office if you have any questions. We thank you for your dedication to voting.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Rushing
Election Services Coordinator

Did you know that you can register to vote and request an absentee ballot online if you have a Wisconsin Driver's License or State ID?

Go to MyVote.wi.gov



