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To whom it may concern:

As a voting Colorado citizen who also served as an election judge in 2020, I am writing this letter to express my strong opposition to the rule changes regarding election integrity being proposed by the Colorado Secretary of State, Jena Griswold. Additionally, I am joining the crescendo of demands that Colorado conducts a forensic audit of the 2020 election results including complete disclosure of the Dominion voting machine activity during the election season.

Regarding the proposed rule changes, as the nation is becoming aware of the likely criminal activity that occurred in many places surrounding the 2020 election, it should be of upmost importance that Colorado strengthen its rules on election integrity, not weaken them. These should include tighter rules on testing machines for accurate signature verification, and increased scrutiny over the signature verification on mail in ballots. The participation of poll watchers should be encouraged not discouraged as the rule changes would do. Colorado needs to immediately and accurately remove dead voters and those voters that have moved away from the state from the voter rolls. All issues regarding election security, logs, and local control of the election process must be strengthened, not reduced. Citizen participation and oversight needs to be encouraged and strengthened.

Colorado has enjoyed a reputation of election integrity. The very timing of these rule changes which, if implemented, would further weaken our election integrity, combined with the Secretary's recent declaration that Colorado will not do a forensic audit, certainly does not promote citizens' trust in the integrity of our past or future elections. Our election officials should be leading the way to ensure that our election process is fair and secure, allowing all legal voters to participate in the voting process while being assured that their vote is not being stolen by a corrupt system.

Respectully,

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