VOTER: PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE STUB IF STUB DETACHES, PLEASE RETURN WITH BALLOT

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OFFICIAL BALLOT
Primary Election
Tuesday, August 5, 2014
Washtenaw County, Michigan
City of Ann Arbor, Ward 3, Precinct 7CC7

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	PARTISAN SECTION  VOTE ONLY 1 PARTY SECTION		NONPARTISAN SECTION	
			JUDICIAL	
	REPUBLICAN PARTY SECTION	DEMOCRATIC PARTY SECTION	JUDGE OF CIRCUIT COURT  22ND CIRCUIT  NON-INCUMBENT POSITION  Vote for not more than 1	
	STATE	STATE	Total for more than I	
	GOVERNOR	GOVERNOR	Veronique Liem	
	Vote for not more than 1	Vote for not more than 1	Michael Woodyard	
	Rick Snyder	Mark Schauer	Pat Conlin	
	Vote for not more than 1		NO	
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	MAYOR	
	Vote for not more than 1	
COUNCIL MEMBER	Stephen Kunselman	
WARD 3	Sally Hart Petersen	
Vote for not more than 1	Christopher Taylor	
	Sabra Briere	
DELEGATE		
DELEGATE TO COUNTY CONVENTION	COUNCIL MEMBER	
Vote for not more than 2	WARD 3	
John J. Spisak	Vote for not more than 1	
	Julie Grand	
-	Samuel McMullen	
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	DELEGATE	
	DELEGATE TO COUNTY CONVENTION  Vote for not more than 2	
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**EXHIBIT A** 

June 30, 2014

Dear Absent Voter:

You recently applied for and were issued an absent voter ballot for the August 5, 2014 primary election. However, due to a printing error affecting the City Council Ward 3 race, a candidate's name was inadvertently left off the ballot. A new ballot is being issued to all absent voters in Ward 3, who were issued the incorrect ballot.

If you have not returned the first absent voter ballot that was issued to you, please destroy it and return only this replacement ballot in the enclosed envelope.

If you have already returned the first absent voter ballot that was issued to you, please vote and return this replacement ballot in the enclosed envelope.

The City is working in accordance with direction provided by the Michigan Department of State, Bureau of Elections. Please be assured that there are processes in place to ensure that only one ballot is counted for each voter.

To minimize any potential confusion, the City strongly encourages you to vote and return the replacement ballot. The deadline for returning absentee ballots for the election is 8:00 p.m. on August 5, 2014.

We are sorry for any inconvenience you experience due to the reissuance of the ballot you requested. If you have questions or need assistance in returning your replacement ballot, please contact the Ann Arbor City Clerk's Office at 734-794-6140.

Sincerely,

Office of the City Clerk



## STATE OF MICHIGAN BUREAU OF ELECTIONS LANSING

June 30, 2014

Ms. Jacqueline Beaudry, Clerk City of Ann Arbor 301 E. Huron St. Ann Arbor MI 48107-8647

Dear Clerk Beaudry:

This letter serves to outline our discussions from earlier today regarding the tabulation of absent voter ballots for Ann Arbor's Ward 3 City Council candidates in the August 5, 2014 primary. The initial ballots you received from Washtenaw County omitted one candidate; upon discovery of the error, the county provided corrected replacement ballots, which are being re-issued today to the approximately 400 absent voters that had received the original ballot.

Regarding the impact of votes for Ward 3 City Council candidates when an absent voter returns only the original (incorrect) ballot and does not return the replacement ballot — those votes are valid and shall be counted. Voters who cast votes in Ward 3 and only return the original ballot cannot have their votes voided due to the ballot printing error. Each of the voters is being given an opportunity to cast a replacement ballot and every attempt should be made to encourage these voters to return the replacement ballot. However, there may be voters who would not change their vote in Ward 3 or will be out of town and unable to return the replacement ballot by Election Day. Neither situation can result in the disenfranchisement of these voters.

Regarding the Bureau of Elections' statement issued last Friday afternoon (June 27), indicating that votes would not be counted for any Ward 3 City Council candidate if a voter returned only the original (incorrect) ballot – this initial statement was based on a prior incident where replacement ballots were issued. Upon further review, the facts behind this prior case and the situation that has occurred with the primary ballots for Ann Arbor's Ward 3 ballot are distinguishable; the prior direction cannot be applied to this situation.

Please do not hesitate to contact this office if you have questions or need further clarification.

Sincerely,

Christopher M. Thomas Director of Elections

c: Lawrence Kestenbaum, Washtenaw County Clerk Ed Golembiewski, Washtenaw County Elections Director

**EXHIBIT C**