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Linn County, Iowa**

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Iowa Secretary of State Paul Pate
First Floor, Lucas Building
321 E 12th St
Des Moines, IA 50319

Re: Request for Change to Exportable Date from IVoters

Dear Secretary Pate:

On Friday, August 4, 2017, the Linn County Elections office experienced a lapse in voter security. Specifically, voter data was accidentally exported from IVoters which included the last four digits of individuals' social security numbers. Our elections office communicated with yours, and we believe that you are aware of the situation.

We are writing now to strongly urge you to make a change to the exporting options available for voter data requests. Please remove the option to select the last four digits of voters' social security numbers and/or drivers' license numbers as exports. We see no reason that these should be included as exportable items for voter data requests. Instead, we believe these options may pose a significant liability risk in instances like these.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Stonawski

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