## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

Democratic National Committee and Democratic Party of Wisconsin,

## Plaintiffs,

v.

Marge Bostelmann, Julie M. Glancey, Ann S. Jacobs, Dean Knudson, Robert F. Spindell, Jr., and Mark L. Thomsen, in their official capacities as Wisconsin Elections Commissioners,

Case No. 3:20-cv-249-wmc

Defendants.

Sylvia Gear, Malekeh K. Hakami, Patricia Ginter, Claire Whelan, Wisconsin Alliance for Retired Americans, League of Women Voters of Wisconsin,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Dean Knudson, Julie M. Glancey, Robert F. Spindell, Jr., Mark L. Thomsen, Ann S. Jacobs, Marge Bostelmann, in their official capacity as members of the Wisconsin Elections Commission, Meagan Wolfe, in her official capacity as the Administrator of the Wisconsin Elections Commission,

Defendants.

Case No. 3:20-cv-278-wmc

MOTION OF WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE FOR LEAVE TO FILE AS AMICUS CURIAE COMBINED AMICUS BRIEF IN OPPOSITION TO THE *DEMOCRATIC PARTY* PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR A PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION AND RECONSIDERATION OF THE COURT'S RULING ON THE BY-MAIL ABSENTEE DEADLINE AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS, AND THE *GEAR* PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER AND PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

The Wisconsin Legislature ("Legislature") hereby moves for leave to file as amicus curiae the attached Combined Amicus Brief In Opposition To Democratic Party Plaintiffs' Motion For A Preliminary Injunction And Reconsideration Of The Court's Ruling On The By-Mail Absentee Deadline And Documentation Requirements, And League of Women Voters Plaintiffs' Motion For Temporary Restraining Order And Preliminary Injunction. While this Court recently denied the Legislature's Motion to Intervene in one of these now-consolidated cases, this Court's Order specifically stated that the "Wisconsin Legislature ... may continue to participate by filing timely amicus curiae briefs as this court attempts to resolve the difficult questions posed by this lawsuit consistent with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 1." Dkt. 85 at 1, No. 3:20-cv-249. Accordingly, the Legislature respectfully requests that the Court accept the attached Combined Amicus Brief In Opposition, which the Legislature has timely filed per this Court's March 27, 2020 Order in Democratic National Committee v. Bostelmann, Dkt. 80, No. 3:20-cv-249, and per this Court's March 28, 2020 Order in Gear v. Knudson, Dkt. 19, 3:20-cv-278.

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Respectfully submitted,

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