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In support of Plaintiffs' Response in Opposition to the Secretary's Motion to Dismiss (Doc. 27), and the Motion for Preliminary Injunction (Doc. 14), Plaintiffs respectfully submit the attached Memorandum Opinion and Order issued on June 15, 2020, in *Pavek et* al. v. Simon et al., No. 19-cv-3000 (D. Minn. June 15, 2020). See Ex. A.

In Pavek, DSCC and DCCC and multiple individual plaintiffs brought suit challenging Minnesota's ballot order statute, which mandated that the first position on the ballot be occupied by the candidate associated with the major political party that received the smallest average number of votes in the last Minnesota general election. Minn. Stat. § 204D.13(2) (2018). The complaint alleged the same claims as here, and the same injuries suffered by DSCC and DCCC and their voters as a result of the ballot order statute. The U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota denied the defendants' motion to dismiss and granted the plaintiffs' motion for preliminary injunction, finding that the plaintiffs showed a likelihood of success that the discriminatory ballot order statute violated their First and Fourteenth Amendment rights. See id. In so doing, the court addressed several of the same issues raised in the Secretary's motion to dismiss (Doc. 26) and in Plaintiffs' motion for preliminary injunction (Doc. 14) in this case, including the standing of political party committees to bring these types of claims, the character and magnitude of the burden asserted by Plaintiffs under the Anderson-Burdick test, and the legitimacy of the state's asserted interests in its current ballot ordering system.

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