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7 The Honorable Catherine Shaffer
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10 **STATE OF WASHINGTON**
11 **KING COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT**

12 VET VOICE FOUNDATION; et al.,

13 Plaintiffs,

14 v.

15 STEVE HOBBS, et al.,

16 Defendants.

17 NO. 22-2-19384-1 SEA

18 DEFENDANT STEVE HOBBS'
19 RESPONSE TO THE
20 REPUBLICAN NATIONAL
21 COMMITTEE AND
22 WASHINGTON STATE
23 REPUBLICAN PARTY'S MOTION
24 TO INTERVENE

25 **STATEMENT OF NON-OPPOSITION**

26 Defendant Secretary of State Steve Hobbs does not oppose intervention by proposed intervenors Republican National Committee and the Washington State Republican Party in this action.

By submitting this statement of non-opposition, Secretary Hobbs does not consent to venue in King County Superior Court where the claims against Secretary Hobbs may only be brought in Thurston County Superior Court pursuant to RCW 4.12.020, RCW 34.05.570, and other applicable law.

DATED this 24th day of January 2023.

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