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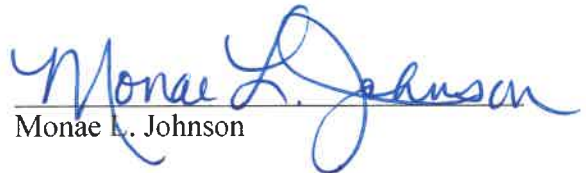
or unsuccessful registrants. However, it is also my understanding that the Secretary may offer local election officials guidance on election-related issues.

3. On the date of this declaration, my office contacted the TotalVote vendor to disable the auto-populating letter feature in the TotalVote system, which previously allowed county auditors to auto-populate a letter upon designating a voter registrant as federal-only.

4. In its place, my office has provided two template letters—one of which addresses federal-only registrations based on a noncompliant residential address and one of which addresses federal-only registrations based on inadequate or missing documentary proof of citizenship. True and correct copies of these letters are attached as **EXHIBIT 1** and **EXHIBIT 2**.

5. My office then distributed these templates and a guidance letter advising local election officials on when to use the new notice letters using an email listserv of local election officials from all South Dakota counties (which includes all county auditors and some staff). A true and correct copy of this letter to the local election officials is attached as **EXHIBIT 3**.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 14th day of September, 2026.


Monae L. Johnson