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The Washington County Republican Party (WCRP) believes that free and fair elections are critical to the success of our constitutional republic, and that lawful election processes are key to maintaining the trust of voters. The November 2020 election fell short of these expectations in numerous ways and needs to be investigated in an open and transparent way.

The Executive Committee of the WCRP therefore expresses its support for the Special Counsel Investigation being led by former Justice Michael Gableman, as well as the broader efforts proposed by Rep. Janel Brandtjen, Chair of the Assembly Committee on Campaigns and Elections. We also ask the Legislature and its leadership to ensure a thorough investigation is completed, not only of the privately-funded partisan influence in the WI-5 cities and other known violations of the plain language of election laws, but also including a complete physical audit of election materials and processes, with facts driving the scope and focus.

Wisconsin voters deserve to know what happened during the 2020 election, and need to have irregularities and any illegal activity documented so that corrections can be made in future elections. Nothing of importance can be achieved without first securing the confidence of the electorate.

Respectfully submitted,
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