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Commissioner Burrows-

Just wanted to say thank you for meeting with a group of Ravalli County citizen voters on 4/19 and discussing our concerns about the integrity of the election process. We appreciate your interest in this vital topic.

Below are a few concern areas that need the Commissioners' attention:

1. The post election audit per Secretary of State guidelines does not include or address down-ballot races. Recommend they be added.
2. We highly recommended that the county implement a random spot check of votes either before or after they are run through the machines. Since the software is proprietary and the county has no insight into how it works, hand-counting must be used to confirm that the machine count matches the hand count.
3. These recommendations stay within state law, use the SOS-established process which respects the integrity of the sealed ballot boxes after counting, and would not cost the county any additional dollars.

We all know that recent elections have highlighted concerns about the integrity of the election process nationwide. We can't affect other states' problems but the above recommendations would be one more way that Ravalli County Commissioners can insure the integrity of our election results.

Again, thanks for your interest in this critical issue.

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