

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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Madison, WI 53703

Ms. Witzel-Behl,

Like many Wisconsinites, I was alarmed by recent reports that “around 2,000” duplicate ballots have been sent out by your office.¹ The Clerk’s Office has since issued a six-sentence statement claiming, without providing any significant details, that this “error” affected “an isolated number of voters” in a single ward and “was quickly caught and corrected.”²

I am seeking additional information about the scope and details of these reports.

- How was this “error” discovered?
- Has the Clerk’s Office contacted law enforcement to investigate whether this “error” was the result of simple incompetence or a deliberate nefarious act?
- Has the Clerk’s Office identified what person or persons are responsible for this “error”?
- Has the Clerk’s Office taken steps to preserve all emails, internal communications, handwritten notes, and other records related to this “error”?
- What is the exact number of duplicate ballots that were sent out by the Clerk’s Office?
- The Clerk’s Office claims that this “error” affected voters in only one ward. Which ward was it?
- Has the Clerk’s Office received any reports of duplicate ballots in other wards, or conducted any due diligence to ensure that this “error” was limited to just a single ward?
- Have any of these duplicate ballots been returned to the Clerk’s Office, and if so, have they been set aside pending an investigation?

¹ <https://tinyurl.com/ydj77e9n>

² <https://www.cityofmadison.com/news/2024-09-23/madison-clerks-office-correcting-duplicate-ballots>

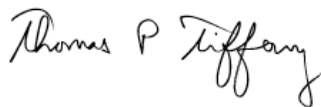
- The Clerk's Office has claimed that the duplicate ballots have unique bar codes. Are these unique ballot bar codes linked to individual, identifiable voter profiles?

Given the history of controversial and legally dubious election practices carried out by Madison officials in the past³ – and your own personal history as an operative for the left-wing, “Zuckerbucks” financed Center for Tech and Civic Life⁴ – I don't have to tell you how important it is for the city to provide full transparency regarding how an “error” of this magnitude was allowed to happen at such a pivotal time.

Voters deserve clear answers regarding the full scope of this blunder, how the city plans to restore public confidence in its ability to accurately administer the election, and assurances that those responsible are held accountable.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas P. Tiffany".

Member of Congress

CC: Commissioner Ann Jacobs
Wisconsin Elections Commission Chair

Senator Devin LeMahieu
Wisconsin Senate Majority Leader

Representative Robin Vos
Wisconsin Assembly House Speaker

³ <https://tinyurl.com/yf2m8de6>

⁴ <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/09/25/us/politics/elections-private-grants-zuckerberg.html>