Affidavit of Mary Havens

State of Alaska)
) ss
City and Borough of Juneau)

- I, Mary Havens, being duly sworn upon oath, depose and states as follows under penalty of perjury:
- 1. I am over the age of 18 years of age, of sound mind, and competent to testify to the following facts based on personal knowledge:
- 2. I am a participant of the November 2, 2010 Alaska State Division of Elections ballot counting process in Juneau, Alaska. As a member of the Joe Miller ballot counting observer team I was prepared to provide and coordinate administrative support and to act as an alternate observer when necessary. However, the DOE (Division of Elections) in its effort to get the results in an expedited manner, rushed the review process by moving the start date up by ten days (from November 18 to November 10, 2010). To further complicate the situation DOE also moved the location of the count from Anchorage to Juneau. This created a situation that seemed intentional in creating confusion and a hardship on all who participated and especially those who needed to travel from other areas of the state.
- 3. Because of moving the date up by ten days it caused a hardship in making arrangements for travel, lodging and transportation. This in of itself was only one issue that obviously was done without regard to the people or the entire process. Each phone call received the same response from DOE "I don't know". No direction to location, schedule or procedural guidance.
- 4. It became even more obvious when our team arrived in Juneau that we were not going to have any supporting documents to help prepare us for the ballot counting process. We could not get confirmation on start times, locations or how many observers we should provide. This confusion and chaos continued throughout the entire review process.
- 5. No agenda was provided and no orientation was given. Since no information was given to us regarding food at the location we were unprepared to feed the volunteers and with only a half hour for lunch, it was impossible for volunteers to leave and get back for lunch because the building was in a remote area. Thankfully we had a Juneau volunteer who graciously provided food for us almost every day and we reimbursed her cost. Apparently the Murkowski observer's team had been provided a location for food. And even though there was a full kitchen it was only available for the use by DOE staff.
- 6. When we arrived we were directed to sign in and get a name badge which was to be worn in each day. We were told that no purses, cell phones or coats could be taken into the observation room. If you were not an observer you could go into the room but had to stay behind the press line. The rules were not enforced and changed with each day.

- 7. There was no written schedule for start and end times, no agenda, no written directions or special instructions describing the process for ballot counting, just verbal instructions given by Gail Fenumiai and a couple of assistants.
- There was no office equipment available, there was no internet nor any office supplies such as pens, markers, note pads or clipboards. Only the DOE workers were provided chairs.
- 9. When I asked the receptionist at the table where I could find documentation to help me be more organized she said that there wasn't any and that I might check out the website. I questioned her extensively and she was pleasant but it was clear that she could not provide anything in written form and offered that Gail knew what was going on. I told her it didn't help me that Gail had it in her head.
- 10. It appears that no one had a clear direction or understanding of what the process should look like or how it should operate. And it was total chaos, with a lack of leadership. In my opinion this is a disgrace to the state of Alaska.

Further affiant sayeth naught.

DATED this Aday of November 2010, at Juneau, Alaska.

By: Mary A. Havens

Mary A Havens

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me, a notary public in and for the State of Alaska this ___day of November, 2010.

R. Buzard, Notary Public My commission expires July 4, 2013