A Senate resolution

recognizing and thanking Minnesota's local election judges.

WHEREAS, there are over 30,000 local election judges and other election officials working throughout Minnesota's 87 counties who administer a fair and honest process in every election, ensuring that our elections are honest and the results are an accurate reflection of the will of the voters; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota electorate's confidence in the process has consistently led to the nation's highest voter turnout; and

WHEREAS, all local, state, and federal candidates and elected officials are dependent on and benefit from the diligent work of election judges and other election officials who make our democracy work in every election cycle; and

WHEREAS, local election officials have faced increasing attacks on their integrity and their hard work, leading to potential shortages of citizens willing to step up and perform this public service; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Minnesota that it recognizes Minnesota's local election officials for their dedicated service to our democracy and their work to ensure that Minnesota's elections are honest, fair, and accurate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Minnesota that it thanks and offers its gratitude to election judges and officials for stepping up to perform the important public service of administering our elections; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Minnesota that it thanks the civic-minded community organizations, including the Minnesota League of Women Voters and Common Cause Minnesota, for their work to provide confidence to voters in the integrity of our election process; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Minnesota that it encourages Minnesota citizens to continue civic service in the 2022 election season and in future elections to ensure the continuation of Minnesota's honest and fair elections; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is directed to prepare an enrolled copy of this resolution, to be authenticated by the Secretary's signature and that of the Chair of the Senate Rules and Administration Committee.

Cal R. Ludeman Secretary of the Senate Jeremy R. Miller Chair, Senate Committee on Rules and Administration

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