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October 19, 2025

Paul Antolin  
Grosse Pointe Woods City Clerk, Wayne County  
20025 Mack Plaza Dr.  
Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236

Dear Clerk, Antolin,

It is my pleasure to inform you that you are among a select group of township and municipal clerk offices to receive the Michigan Fair Elections Institute's **Sunlight Award** as a **Responsive Advocate**. An independent investigation of Michigan's official Qualified Voter File (QVF) in March found over 10,000 potential pairs of redundant registrations. Since then, more than 800 emails have been sent to jurisdictional clerks to address this issue. Your jurisdiction was one that demonstrated significant responsiveness and cooperation in addressing duplicate registrations.

As the enclosed certificate states, this award recognizes you as a **Responsive Advocate** for your "outstanding dedication and exemplary service in helping to remove redundancies from your local voter registration rolls."

Michigan Fair Elections Institute is presenting the award to you in honor of your commitment to preserving election integrity through maintaining clean and accurate voter rolls. Award recipients have reduced the number of redundancies by an average of 86% in their jurisdictions. We look forward to your continued assistance as additional redundancies are created and identified.

The Sunlight award is named in honor of U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice Louis D. Brandeis's famous statement that "sunlight is the best of disinfectants." MFEI is committed to educating citizens and encouraging their engagement in the state's electoral processes. Citizen engagement is fundamental to preserving individual freedom and serves as a vital component of the check-and-balance system envisioned by the Founding Fathers. This system of accountability only works when clerks like you follow the law and work diligently to maintain clean voter files.

While significant progress has been made, only 17% of the duplicate voter registrations in the QVF have been removed statewide. MFEI hopes that other clerks will follow your example and make a similar effort to clean the Michigan QVF in their jurisdictions.

Congratulations! Thank you for your service to the people of your community and to the great state of Michigan.

Sincerely,

*Patrice Johnson*

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Founder and Chair  
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Enclosure: Sunlight Award Certificate





# Sunlight Award

THIS CERTIFICATE IS PROUDLY PRESENTED TO  
*Paul Antolin, Grosse Pointe Woods City*

*as a Responsive Advocate in recognition of your outstanding dedication and exemplary service for helping to remove redundancies from your local voter registration files. Your commitment to transparency and efficiency strengthens public trust in the republic's democratic process and upholds the highest standards of civic duty.*

*Patrice Johnson*

October 20, 2025

*Patrice Johnson, Chair, Michigan Fair Elections Institute*

**"Sunlight is said to be the best of disinfectants; electric light the most efficient policeman."**

--Associate Justice Louis D. Brandeis, United States Supreme Court,