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David Palm  
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Arvada, Colorado 80003

**CERTIFICATE OF INSUFFICIENCY  
(RECALL PETITION – COUNCILMEMBER SIMPSON)**

Dear Mr. Palm,

On June 9, 2020, you submitted a Notice of Intent to circulate a recall petition for Councilmember Lauren Simpson pursuant to the Arvada City Charter Sec. 3.6 and Arvada City Code Sec. 30-62. You received authorization to begin circulating said petition on June 29, 2020. Pursuant to Arvada City Charter Sec. 3.6, your deadline for submission of petition signatures was 60 days from the date of authorization, or August 28, 2020. The City Charter requires that in that time period, you obtain signatures in an amount equivalent to 25% of the registered electors voting for all the candidates for the Councilmember's respective office in the last preceding Regular Municipal Election. *See* Arvada City Charter Sec. 3.6. A total of 8,678 registered electors cast votes for candidates for Councilmember Simpson's respective office in the last preceding Regular Municipal Election in 2019. As such, 2,170 signatures are required in order to obtain a certificate of sufficiency for your recall petition.

You submitted 6 separate petition sections containing signatures for the recall petition of Councilmember Lauren Simpson on August 28, 2020. Your submission was timely given the above referenced requirements and the date of authorization to circulate. However, the petition sections contained only 112 signature lines for analysis. Since this is far fewer than the 2,170 signatures required under the City Charter for the Councilmember sought to be recalled, the petition for the recall of Councilmember Lauren Simpson is deemed insufficient and rejected.

Please note that since the number of signatures submitted was obviously insufficient, no analysis was conducted by the City Clerk's office to determine whether City Code or City Charter violations existed in the petition sections or signatures submitted. The City reserves the right to do so in the future if that becomes necessary for any reason.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kristen Rush". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'K' and a long, sweeping underline.

Kristen Rush  
City Clerk