

## STATE OF WISCONSIN ELECTIONS BOARD

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### IN THE MATTER OF THE RECALL OF SENATOR GARY GEORGE, SIXTH STATE SENATE DISTRICT

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#### CERTIFICATE OF SUFFICIENCY AND ORDER

I, Kevin J. Kennedy, Executive Director of the State Elections Board, pursuant to s.9.10(3)(b) of the Wisconsin Statutes, certify that:

1. On Tuesday, April 1, 2003, a petition to recall State Senator Gary George, from the office of State Senator representing the 6<sup>th</sup> Senate District, was offered for filing with the State Elections Board pursuant to Article XIII, Section 12 of the Wisconsin Constitution and Section 9.10 of the Wisconsin Statutes.
2. A minimum of 8,071 signatures of qualified electors of the 6<sup>th</sup> State Senate District are required for the Elections Board to file the recall petition and order a recall election.
3. On May 12, 2003, Dane County Circuit Judge Angela Bartell extended the deadline for filing a challenge to the sufficiency of the recall petition to June 11, 2003, and the deadline for certification of the recall petition by the State Elections Board to July 11, 2003.
4. On June 11, 2003, Senator Gary George filed a challenge to the sufficiency of the recall petition. The petitioners filed a rebuttal to the challenge on June 16, 2003. Senator George filed a reply to the rebuttal on June 18, 2003.
5. On July 9, 2003, the State Elections Board held a public meeting to review the staff examination of the recall petition and to review the challenge, rebuttal and reply.
6. Based on a careful examination of the recall petition conducted by the State Elections Board, including a review of the challenge, the rebuttal and the reply, the Elections Board found that the petition to recall Senator Gary George contained not fewer than 8,750 qualifying signatures of electors of the 6<sup>th</sup> State Senate District and, based on that finding, certified that the petition is sufficient to recall Senator Gary George and order a recall election.
7. The petition is filed pursuant to s.9.10(3)(b), Stats., and a recall election is ordered this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2003.
8. The recall election shall be held on Tuesday, August 19, 2003. If a primary is necessary, the primary shall be held on that date and the recall election shall be held on Tuesday, September 16, 2003.

9. Persons seeking nomination for the recall election shall file nomination papers containing a minimum of 400 signatures of qualified electors of the 6<sup>th</sup> State Senate District no later than 5:00 p.m., on Tuesday, July 22, 2003, in the offices of the State Elections Board, located at 132 E. Wilson Street, Suite 200, Madison, Wisconsin.
10. Gary George shall be a candidate at the recall election without nomination unless he resigns from office not later than July 21, 2003.

Dated this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2003, at Madison, Wisconsin.

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Kevin J. Kennedy  
Executive Director