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Dear Sir/Mam and Board Members

This letter is my comment for the record for submission at the Thursday February 5, 2026 board meeting.

I received an email from the Stockton Democratic Club informing me of the 2/5/2026 6:00 p.m. meeting, the meeting itinerary, and recent history on the committee. The committee does oversee the Registrar of Voters.

In the committee recent history was described that the committee had recommended to the Board of Supervisors to request that the state stiffen the rules on voter identification. As a citizen the current laws concerning this are satisfying to me for those laws allow for numerous methods for the voter to identify themselves unto polling place registrar personnel. An example is a city utility bill to the voter is an adequate identification method.

Voting twice or voting under an assumed name are both illegal. Only citizens can legally vote. The frequency of those violations in the 2024 general election nationwide was less than 1 per 1,000,000 ballots cast.

The efforts of the Election Advisory Board ought to be welcoming citizens into voting.

Restrictive voter identification laws are deterrents to voting.

I have been politically active in San Joaquin County since 1988. In 2012 I walked my neighborhood precincts with voter indexes and I visited the homes and houses not on the voter indexes. I gave out 160 voter registration affidavits in my precincts bordered by Alpine St., the UPRR, Harding St., and Pacific Ave.

Take Care; Richard Slezak