I am writing to you today regarding HF 3666. My name is Olivia Manke and I currently live in White Bear Township. I have been an elections judge for over 10 years, the last 5 of which I served as a head judge. Also, I work for Ramsey County Elections primarily on the absentee ballot process and processing voter registration.

I support HF 3666 because I feel election officials are the backbone of our election process. Without these dedicated individuals, it would be impossible to run elections efficiently and securely. They need the utmost protection from anyone that looks to disrupt or discredit this process. While I have not personally experienced any harassment or threats, I know that many do have this experience. Knowing that there will be protections and penalties for this behavior would be extremely reassuring and would allow election officials to complete their very important work.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, Olivia Manke oliviamanke@gmail.com