

**Paul D. Pate**  
Secretary of State



**State Capitol**  
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

**OFFICE OF THE IOWA SECRETARY OF STATE**

December 29, 2025

Meghan Nelson  
Chief Clerk  
Iowa House of Representatives  
State Capitol  
Des Moines, IA 50319

Dear Ms. Nelson:

Pursuant to House Rule 20, the following staff are authorized to represent the official position, lobby, and register on behalf of the Office of Secretary of State during the 2026 Session of the 91<sup>st</sup> General Assembly:

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul D. Pate". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "P" and "D".

Paul D. Pate  
Iowa Secretary of State