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Please include my comments on the record. My name is Janice Hermsen. My background is in accounting. In that capacity, numbers have to match; they must balance. After reviewing the records from elections in Nevada since 2020, Nevada has not been successful in matching records between the County and the State for at least 3 years that I am aware. The recent debacle with the errors in the voting history this weekend is representative of the miscommunications between these two entities. It is shameful. and the fact that Secretary of State Aguilar blamed the counties and took no responsibility shows his disdain for them as well as for the public. His actions show his disregard for the care that is required in his position.

Which leads to Item VI. The Update on the Implementation of a Centralized, Statewide Voter Registration Database which he is touting as the answer to the problem. In prior meetings, Mark Wlaschin expressed that it would be prudent (I am paraphrasing) to implement this system “prior to January 2026” leading one to believe it would be post 2024 election. But here it is on the agenda and from a news report Secretary of State Aguilar is planning to implement this system before the 2024 election! The primary is just a short 3 + months away. Migrating to a new system requires testing. How will that be done in a manner that would assure the voters of Nevada we won’t see voting histories or worse inaccurate vote counts in our upcoming election? This is careless and again, shows how out of touch the Secretary of State is with best practices and gaining the confidence of the public he serves.

In addition, I want to express my support for Ellen Gifford’s and Oscar Williams comments.

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