

**ANCHORAGE ELECTION COMMISSION**

**RESOLUTION 2014-1**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE ELECTION COMMISSION  
OPPOSING PROPOSED ANCHORAGE ORDINANCE 2014-38, ALLOWING  
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF ABSENTEE MAILING ADDRESSES**

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**WHEREAS**, the Anchorage Election Commission worked with the Municipal Clerk's Office and the Municipal Attorney's Office in the re-write of Title 28, AO 2013-130 and subsequent versions including the (S-1) and (S-1) as amended; and

**WHEREAS**, the Anchorage Election Commission supported the passage of AO 2013-130(S-1) as amended;

**WHEREAS**, the Anchorage Election Commission was aware of and supported the provision in AO 2013-130(S-1) as amended, prohibiting the disclosure of the address where the ballot of an absentee voter is mailed; and

**WHEREAS**, the re-write of Title 28, AO 2013-130 was approved by the Assembly on January 14, 2014; and


**WHEREAS**, the Anchorage Election Commission and voters have begun preparing for the April 1, 2014 election with the understanding that the provisions of Title 28 passed on January 14, 2014 would control during this election; and

**WHEREAS**, the Anchorage Election Commission has seen and reviewed the legal memorandum of Anchorage Municipal Attorney Dennis Wheeler dated in March 2012 indicated the address where the ballot of an absentee voter is mailed is confidential and disclosure is outweighed by the voter's privacy interests; now therefore

**THE ELECTION COMMISSION RESOLVES:**

The Anchorage Election Commission is opposed to proposed AO 2013-38 because there is no need for the public to know which voters are out of town or where they are and whose houses are vacant.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Election Commission on this 6 day of March, 2014.

  
Gwen Matthew, Chair