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## COUNTY OF SAN BENITO

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July 1, 2025

Response to the filed Petition for Local Recall on Tuesday, July 1, 2025.

Dear Heidi,

This letter is to respond to the filed Petition for Local Recall on Tuesday July 1, 2025 for Supervisor Kollin Kosmicki.

The public examination period for this Petition is from Tuesday, July 1, 2025, to Friday, July 11, 2025. During this time, a voter of the applicable electoral jurisdiction or the elections official may seek a writ of mandate or injunction requiring any or all of the statement of the proponents or the answer of the officer included with the petition to be amended or deleted. Such a request must be filed no later than the end of the 10-day public examination period, Friday, July 11, 2025. A peremptory writ of mandate or injunction will only be issued upon clear and convincing proof that the material in question is false, misleading, or inconsistent with the requirements of the Elections Code § 11042.5.

**This Petition is approved by the County of San Benito Elections Department on Tuesday, July 1, 2025.**

To proceed with the recall process for Supervisor Kollin Kosmicki, you will need to gather twenty-five percent (25%) valid signatures since the registration is less than 10,000 but at least 1,000 in District 2. This number is 1,736. The deadline for the petition is 90 days from this letter's date since the electoral jurisdiction has less than 10,000 registered voters but at least 5,000 registered voters. The deadline is Monday, September 29, 2025, by 5pm. **Therefore, we will accept at least 1,736 signatures from District 2 by Monday, September 29, 2025; it is recommended to collect more than the minimum to ensure the threshold of valid signatures is met upon examination.**

We will then determine that the number of signatures, on its face, equals or is in excess of the minimum number of signatures required, and we shall accept the petition for filing. We will then use a random sampling technique to examine the sample of signatures within 60 business days. Subsequent steps under Elections Code § 11225 may be necessary. Upon completing the examination of the petition, the elections official shall attach to the petition a certificate showing the result of this examination and

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shall notify the proponents of either the sufficiency or insufficiency of the petition. In addition, the governing body will be notified if found sufficient and under Elections Code § 11240, may act accordingly to issue an order.

In addition, if found sufficient, the election shall be held not less than 88 nor more than 125 days after the issuance of the order, this will be decided by the governing body. However, the election may be conducted within 180 days after the issuance of the order so that the election may be consolidated with a regularly scheduled election.

If you have any further questions or clarifications, do not hesitate to contact our office at 831-636-4016.

Ana De Castro Maquiz  
Chief Deputy Clerk-Recorder-Elections

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 FRANCISCO DIAZ, COUNTY CLERK - RECORDER  
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**PETITION FOR LOCAL RECALL**

TO THE HONORABLE County of San Benito Board of Supervisors,

Pursuant to the California Constitution and California election laws, we the undersigned registered and qualified electors of the Supervisorial District 2 of County of San Benito, California, respectfully state that we seek the recall and removal of Kollin Kosmicki, holding the office of District 2 County Supervisor in County of San Benito, California.

The following Notice of Intention to Circulate Recall Petition was served on June 9, 2025 to Kollin Kosmicki:  
 Supervisor Kosmicki has abused his position by promoting a divisive agenda that prioritizes political control over public safety. He has refused to collaborate with Hollister to renew a proven, cost-effective fire services contract. He ignored public calls for openness, transparency and collaboration, instead negotiating behind closed doors and excluding key stakeholders like the Fire Chief, and spreading false narratives about department costs and firefighter compensation. Despite claims the County cannot afford to pay its share for Hollister fire services, he is attempting to unilaterally replace those services by building a new County Fire Department which will cost taxpayers millions more than the contract with Hollister Fire, and result in reduced fire protection for residents and unsafe working conditions for firefighters. Furthermore, his continued pattern of disrespect toward firefighters, colleagues and residents who disagree with him has fostered a toxic political environment. This recall is necessary to restore integrity, transparency, and respectful leadership to San Benito County. The printed names of the proponents are as follows: Annie Bradford, Darlene Boyd, Anjanette Devito, Joseph Devito, Brandon Johnson, Thomas Johnson, Celeste Toledo-Bocanegra, Tiffany Wyrick, Timothy Johnson, Matthew Devito.

The answer of the officer sought to be recalled is as follows:

Those behind this dishonest effort claim it's about stalled fire contract negotiations. It turns out I helped to negotiate the newly approved fire protection contract ensuring high-level public safety for years to come throughout San Benito County. This is a big victory for our community. But this was never about fire protection.

This is driven by a small group of constantly negative people trying to spread misinformation and line the pockets of developers. They are desperate to remove me as a bold leader who is constantly standing up for responsible housing growth and prioritizing road improvements.

This is an effort to fool the public and help special interests gain control of our community.

This effort to intimidate me involves former Hollister Councilman Rick Perez. It comes after I openly opposed his and others' push to expand Hollister's boundaries by 3,000 acres to allow uncontrolled housing growth on prime farmland.

We defeated their effort together, but Perez and his friends aren't giving up.

Now, they are abusing the recall process as a political tactic. This will not deter me from staying transparent, fighting for our community's best interests and representing everyday residents.

Each of the undersigned states for himself/herself that he or she is a registered and qualified elector of the Supervisorial District 2 of County of San Benito, California.

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC:**

THIS PETITION MAY BE CIRCULATED BY A PAID SIGNATURE GATHERER OR A VOLUNTEER. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO ASK.

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**DECLARATION OF PERSON CIRCULATING SECTION OF RECALL PETITION  
(MUST BE IN CIRCULATOR'S OWN HANDWRITING)**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, solemnly swear (or affirm) all of the following:

1. That I am 18 years of age or older.
2. That my residence address, including street and number is \_\_\_\_\_ (If no street or number exists, a designation of my residence adequate to readily ascertain its location is \_\_\_\_\_.)
3. That the signatures on this section of the petition form were obtained between (Month and Day) \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, and (Month and Day) \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_; that I circulated the petition and I witnessed the signatures on this section of the petition form being written; and that, to the best of my information and belief, each signature is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on \_\_\_\_\_ (Date) at (City or Community Where Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, California.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Circulator's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date