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## **Testimony of Ranked Choice Voting Resource Center on SF 1071**

Dear Chair Carlson and Members of the Committee.

On behalf of the Ranked Choice Voting Resource Center (RCVRC), we are pleased to offer this favorable testimony on SF 1071. The RCVRC is a 501(c)(3) nonpartisan nonprofit whose mission is to help make ranked choice voting elections successful. We support ranked choice voting implementations nationwide by providing best practices, software tools, educational material, and other resources to anyone interested in the voting method. With decades of experience managing elections, our team has also administered statewide, municipal, and district ranked choice voting elections.

SF 1071 establishes clear guidelines for local jurisdictions that wish to adopt ranked choice voting for their local offices at general or special elections. Establishing these standards will ease local adoption and implementation of ranked choice voting. As ranked choice voting experts, we had the opportunity to provide input on the text to ensure that it follows best practices and makes local RCV implementation straightforward. SF 1071 is a well crafted bill to adopt ranked choice voting in Minnesota. This legislation provides concrete, actionable steps to effectively transition localities and the state to ranked choice voting. The RCVRC stands ready to assist Minnesota with any ranked choice voting implementation, free of charge.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment.

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