



Kent County Republican Party Resolution

A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE KRISTINA KARAMO AS THE RIGHTFUL CHAIRWOMAN OF THE MICHIGAN REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE

Whereas the 85-county parties in the State of Michigan, which are constitutional entities, came together at the convention, on February 18, 2023, to vote Kristina Karamo as the Chairwoman of the Michigan Republican State Committee (MRSC), by 2100 delegates; and

Whereas on December 2, 2023, 39 of the 107 State Committee members {36%} submitted a petition for a special meeting, within the 15-day period, per the MRSC Bylaws, and Chairwoman Karamo called a "special meeting" for January 13, 2024; and

Whereas The organizers claimed that because Chairwoman Karamo did not include their MRSC Bylaws-violating demands to the agenda for January 13, 2024, that they could legally call their own meeting, listing their demands of #1 Consideration of the Removal of Officers; #2 Amend the MRSC Bylaws. The MRSC Bylaws prescribe no penalty to the Chairwoman for failure to include Bylaws-violating demands on a special meeting agenda; and

Whereas for a "special meeting" to be called to amend bylaws, the MRSC Policy Chair should have received the proposed "language" for such amendments, allowing the Policy Chair to fulfill his rightful duties according to the MRSC Bylaws, to forward to all state committee members 30 days prior to the "special meeting", but no such notice was given to the MRSC Policy Chair, Health Wall; and

Whereas a supposed legal "special meeting" was held on January 6, 2024, with an attempt to remove Kristina Karamo and amend the MRSC Bylaws, reducing a vote of the entire State Committee from 75% to 60% to remove an officer; and

Whereas in said supposed "legal meeting", the proposed amended bylaws should have been forwarded to the Secretary of the MRSC, prior to the meeting, who is responsible for maintaining all records of committees. This was not done! According to the MRSC bylaws Article V, section I -The Secretary or the Secretary's designee(s) shall keep an accurate record of the minutes of each meeting of the Committee and of the reports of the subcommittees, shall give notice to the membership of all meetings by sending same to the post office address of the member recorded with the Committee, make written report to the Committee at each meeting, perform such other duties as these Bylaws provide and as this Committee shall from time to time require; and



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Whereas the current MRSC Bylaws are to be followed, specifically Article IV, section G, subsection 2. Removal By The Committee. Any officer may be removed as an officer and member of this Committee by the Committee upon a seventy-five percent {75%} vote of the Committee present and voting at any meeting of the Committee, provided there is a quorum present, and such seventy-five {75%} vote must be made in person by such members and not by proxy; provided, further, that in order to bring the question before the Committee as to the removal of an officer, a petition requesting that such a vote be taken, bearing the signatures of at least fifty percent (50%) of the entire Committee (no proxies allowed), shall be filed with the Chairman (or, if the Chairman is the officer in question, then such petition shall be filed with the Secretary); and

Whereas the 45 state committee members present at the January 6 meeting did not meet the quorum of state committee members required without counting proxies, and yet tried to use a minority of state committee members voting to overthrow the will of the majority; and

Whereas said petition was not filed with the MRSC Secretary but rather their self-appointed Secretary Stephanie Rectenwal, out of Montcalm County, currently holding a State Committeewoman position, without the authorization of our current Chairwoman Karamo, who is to sign all contracts, agreements, and documents according to MRSC Bylaws, Article V, section A; and

Whereas proxies used in the meeting to build the quorum for the January 6, 2024, meeting never filed their proxy forms with the MRSC Secretary prior to the meeting, commencing at 1pm, rather submitted and recorded to their self-appointed Secretary; and

Whereas 3 of 54 state committee members who signed a petition to vote on the removal of Chairwoman Karamo had not paid their dues and were therefore not in good standing and unable to engage in any business of the state party; and

Whereas 4 of the 54 state committee members who signed the petition for the removal of Chairwoman Karamo submitted statements that the January 6 meeting had been declared illegitimate, their signatures had been misappropriated, and they did not authorize them to be filed for the January 6 meeting; and



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Whereas the detailed facts clearly show, beyond a shadow of a doubt, that the January 6, 2024, meeting was not legitimate, in fact illegal; and

Whereas Chairwoman Karamo could not legitimize the January 6, 2024, meeting, as she would have been in violation of the MRSC Bylaws; and

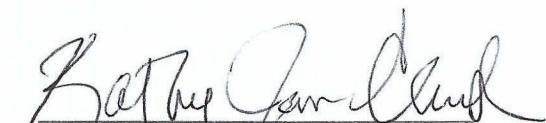
Whereas Chairwoman Karamo called a "special meeting" to be held on January 13, 2024, where she was overwhelmingly reaffirmed as the rightful and legal Chairwoman by a 59-1 vote; and

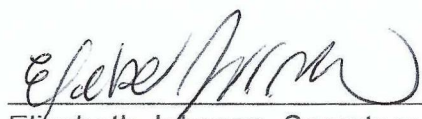
Therefore, Pete Hoekstra is not be recognized as the Chair of the Michigan Republican Party; and

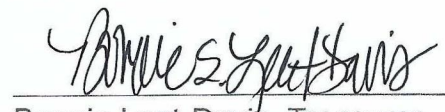
Let It Also Be Known that a copy of this resolution will be transmitted to District 3 Leadership, Republican National Committee, President Donald J Trump, and Peter Hoekstra.

Approved by a majority of the Kent County Republican Party Executive Committee present and voting at an Executive Committee meeting on this 29th day of January 2024.


John Schaut, Chair


Kathy Clark, Vice-chair


Elizabeth Johnson, Secretary


Bonnie Lent-Davis, Treasurer