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To: Dr. Josh Swanson, Superintendent
From: Business Office
Re: Executive Summary – Write-In Votes

The Administration is requesting approval of a resolution to allow for a simplified and streamlined election process as it relates to the counting of write-in votes. The 2023 state legislative session granted new language within Statute 204B.09 that allows the local office to only record individual candidates if the total number of write-in votes is equal to or greater than the fewest number of non-write-in votes for a ballot candidate. Since this situation is extremely rare, the resolution would simplify and allow for faster completion of the election process.

The change in law was brought to our attention by the City of Eden Prairie who recommended our passage of this resolution. The City Council is expected to pass a similar resolution prior to the 2024 elections.