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DOJ Monitors Appear to Be Latest Attempt to Undermine MI Elections

The federal government is trying yet again to sow doubt in our electoral processes and influence the outcome of Michigan's elections

Lansing, MI - Following recent news regarding the Trump administration's Department of Justice's plan to send election monitors to Detroit, East Lansing, and Lansing, Promote the Vote Advocates issued the following statement.

"Michigan is a national leader in election security and accessibility," said **Micheal Davis, Jr., executive director of Promote the Vote Advocates**. "There are many ways for everyday Michiganders to get involved, from working as pollworkers to observing the electoral process. Participation is encouraged. Politically-motivated interference will not be tolerated."

Federal monitors are routinely sent to communities in Michigan and nationwide. However, their presence is not generally accompanied by unsubstantiated allegations or requests for documents and other materials.

"Given this administration's repeated use of baseless conspiracy theories to attack voters' access to the ballot box," **continued Davis, Jr.**, "we can't help but conclude that these monitors are simply the latest in a long line of politically-motivated attempts to undermine Michigan elections."

"Promote the Vote and our partners will continue to keep voters informed about their rights. And we are again recruiting and training hundreds of volunteers who will be stationed at polling places across the state to ensure all state and federal election laws—including laws governing the behavior of federal monitors—are followed and all eligible voters can exercise their fundamental right to vote."

Michigan voters who have questions or need to report instances of interference or intimidation should call the nonpartisan Election Protection Hotline at (866) OUR-VOTE | (866) 687-8683.

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