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## League of Women Voters of Michigan supports AG criminal investigation of petition signatures

*League voted to publicly support review of Unlock Michigan  
petition that limits governor's emergency powers*

**Lansing, MI** – The **League of Women Voters of Michigan** today sent a letter to Michigan Attorney General Dana Nessel, urging her to conduct a formal criminal investigation into Unlock Michigan's process of gathering signatures in an effort to repeal the emergency powers act being used by the governor during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

After [media reports](#) this week alleged Unlock Michigan used deceptive and possibly illegal practices to collect signatures on a petition, the League's board voted to support a full criminal investigation of Unlock Michigan, its petition firms, and volunteer and paid circulators, and a review of every signature gathered.

"In order to protect the integrity of the ballot initiative process, we must determine the full extent of potentially improper and illegal activity in connection with Unlock Michigan," **Christina Schlitt**, president of the League, wrote in the letter. "Illegal and improper acts can infect Michigan's petition process, erode the integrity of our election process and undermine our democracy."

The League of Women Voters of Michigan has also taken steps to curb the [misinformation](#) spread by Unlock Michigan. The League encourages voters looking for accurate, nonpartisan election and ballot information to use [VOTE411.org](http://VOTE411.org).

View a copy of the League's letter [here](#).

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