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## League of Women Voters of Michigan observes election certification process

*Hundreds of volunteers help ensure will of Michigan voters is carried out*

**LANSING** – With the certification of the November election results in Michigan’s 83 counties, the **League of Women Voters of Michigan** has completed its County Canvassers observer program, meant to observe the election certification process and educate voters about the role of the Board of Canvassers.

Trained volunteer members of the League of Women Voters of Michigan and coalition organizations observed the election certification process in almost all 83 counties and worked with county clerks by phone or virtually to verify the certification for locations that were not attended in person. The volunteers were watching for irregularities in the process and reporting any issues.

League volunteers also observed as the Board of Canvassers worked with precinct data to reach a balance of votes registered in the poll books and the number of votes cast.

“The election certification process is one of the most important functions of our government in Michigan, and it’s important to help ensure the will of Michigan’s voters is carried out by observing this process,” said **Paula Bowman**, co-president of the League of Women Voters of Michigan. “Our thoroughly trained volunteers observed our democracy in action as Boards of Canvassers reviewed the data from the November election to help ensure that every valid vote cast was included in the election totals.”

Over 260 volunteers participated as observers, covering Michigan counties across the state after the November election. A major focus for the League and its volunteers this year were counties where underserved Michigan voters cast their ballots.

“Following lies about the 2020 election that continue today, the League of Women Voters sought to ensure the election certification process was carried out properly based on our state’s constitution,” said **Christina Schlitt**, co-president of the League of Women Voters of Michigan. “I am proud of all of our members and volunteers for taking the time to observe this important process.”

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The League of Women Voters of Michigan is the state league for the U.S. League of Women Voters, which is a nonpartisan political organization that aims to encourage informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues and influences public policy through education and advocacy. Learn more at [lwvmi.org](http://lwvmi.org).