

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Pamela M. Bacon, Logan County Clerk & Recorder**

**Date: July 15, 2022**

**RE: Buffalo School District RE-4J**

A Petition for the recall of one member of the Buffalo School District RE-4J, Sonya Hutchison Direct District A, has been submitted to Pamela M. Bacon, the Logan County Clerk and Recorder. After examining the signatures on the petition Ms. Bacon has determined that the petition for the recall of Sonya Hutchison Director District A, are sufficient and the question of recall will be placed on the ballot for the November 8, 2022, General Election.

The petition for recall of Sonya Hutchison required 79 valid qualifying signatures. 104 valid qualifying signatures were submitted.

Any person who signed a recall petition may request that their signature be removed from the petition by sending a written notice to the Logan County Clerk, 315 Main Street, Suite 3, Sterling, CO 80751 or via email [baconp@logancountyco.gov](mailto:baconp@logancountyco.gov) or the Recall Committee no later than 5:00 PM on July 29, 2022. If enough signatures were to be withdrawn to reduce the number of valid signatures below the required number, the finding of sufficiency could be revoked.

Any registered elector of the Buffalo School District RE-4J may file a protest to the County Clerk's finding of sufficiency or insufficiency within 15 calendar days of the Clerk's decision. 1-12-108 (9)(a)(I) Within 15 days from this date, any eligible elector who objects to this determination may submit a written protest under oath to the County Clerk and Recorder. (II) The protest must set forth specific grounds for the protest. Grounds include failure of any portion of a petition or circulator affidavit to meet the requirements of this article 12 or any conduct on the part of petition circulators that substantially misleads persons signing the petition.

That is, by 5:00 PM on July 29, 2022. Any protests must be in writing and specifically set out the grounds for the protest.

If a protest is filed, the County Clerk shall conduct a hearing on the protest. If the protest is sustained the finding of sufficiency or insufficiency could be changed.

Now that sufficiency of the recall petition has been found for Sonya Hutchison Director District A; successors nomination petitions for Buffalo School District RE-4J Director District A can be picked up to circulate at the County Clerk and Recorder's Office, 315 Main Street Suite 3, Sterling, CO 80751.

**Successor nomination petitions** must be signed by at least 25 valid active electors of the Buffalo School District RE-4J. The nominations must be for a specific seat (Director District A) on the school board. Blank nomination petitions are available at the Logan

County Clerk's Office, 315 Main Street, Suite 3, Sterling, CO 80751. Deadline to file is September 2, 2022. 1-12-117 C.R.S.

Colorado Revised Statute 1-12-110(1): If the officer whose recall is sought does not resign within five days after the sufficiency of the recall petition has been certified by the designated election official **and the time for protest has passed**, the designated election official shall call the election and set the date of the election.

Colorado Revised Statute: 1-12-110(1): Incumbent may resign any time before successor candidate petitions are due, and the election will be cancelled.

The cost of the recall election will be borne by the Buffalo School District RE-4J. The cost will include but is not limited to the cost of the time the County Clerk's staff puts in to review the petitions and counting of the ballots, the cost of preparing and printing the ballots, mailing cost, and other cost to the County Clerk's Office.