



Elko County Board of Commissioners
571 Idaho Street Elko, Nevada 89801
September 21, 2023

Dear Elko County Board of Commissioners,

On behalf of All Voting Is Local Action, a nonpartisan organization that fights for policies and legislative priorities that expand pathways to voter registration and access to safe and secure voting, we voice our strong support for the appointment of Deputy Clerk Rebecca Plunkett as the next Elko County Clerk. Deputy Clerk Plunkett is a dedicated and experienced public servant with a proven track record of leadership in the Elko County Clerk's office and the management of Elko County elections.

Over the last several elections, Deputy Clerk Plunkett has worked on many high-profile election projects and has helped run these elections. She worked alongside Clerk Kris Jakeman, who submitted her resignation and will step down in October. Notably, in 2018, the Elko County Clerk's office implemented a new voter registration program while rolling out the implementation of new voting machines and electronic poll books. Additionally, since 2019, the Nevada Legislature passed and implemented several new election laws that included all active and registered Nevada voters receiving vote-by-mail ballots, the opportunity for same-day voter registration, and Tribal Nations being guaranteed reservation-based polling places. Deputy Plunkett led these challenging yet encouraging voting law implementations with Clerk Jakeman.

It is significant to note that in Clerk Jakeman's resignation email, she recommended Deputy Clerk Plunkett be appointed as the Elko County Clerk, and All Voting is Local Action wholeheartedly agrees.

As the 2024 election cycle begins in Nevada, it is important to appoint a dedicated public servant with extensive experience in the Elko Clerk's office and a deep connection to the Elko community. Deputy Clerk Plunkett is that individual. All Voting is Local Action wishes Clerk Kris Jakeman a huge congratulations on her retirement, and a thank you for her years of service, and we strongly agree with her recommendation to appoint Deputy Clerk Plunkett.

Respectfully,

Kerry Durmick
All Voting is Local Action Nevada