## AFFIDAVIT OF ALLEN SHEN



January 4, 2025

STATE OF MINNESOTA ) )s COUNTY OF RAMSEY )

)ss.

OFFICE OF APPELLATE COURTS

ALLEN SHEN states:

1. My name is Allen Shen. I make this affidavit upon personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein.

2. I am a resident of Ramsey County, Minnesota. I reside at 3086 Evelyn Street. Roseville, MN 55113, which is located in House District 40B.

3. I am 45 years old.

4. I was the Republican Party of Minnesota endorsed candidate for House District 40B for the 2022 general election.

5. I was made aware that Curtis Johnson had lost his election contest at the district court and if a vacancy occurred, I intended to file an affidavit of candidacy in a special election for the House District 40B seat.

6. I also intended to seek the Republican Party of Minnesota's endorsement for the special election.

7. I was unable to file for the special election because I was not in the State of Minnesota from December 26, 2024, at approximately 3:00 PM (when my plane departed from Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport for Boston Logan International Airport) until December 31, 2024, at approximately 9:00 PM (when my plane landed in Minnesota on its return trip from

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Massachusetts).

8. I was in Minnesota on December 26, 2024, which was five days prior to close of the time to file for an affidavit of candidacy, but I did not have notice of a special election for House District 40B. It is my understanding that Ramsey County is required to provide notice of when the filing period closes, which on information and belief they did not. I did not have actual notice of the Writ of Special Election or the time for filing an affidavit of candidacy on December 26, 2024.

9. If notice had been given or if the special election was called on the timeline required by statutes—22 days after the start of the legislative session on January 14, 2025 (the requirement when a vacancy is the result of a successful election contest)—I would have filed an affidavit of candidacy as a member of the Republican Party of Minnesota.

I declare under penalty of perjury that everything I have stated in this document is true and correct. Minn. Stat. § 358.116.

Executed in Ramsey County, Minnesota

<sub>On</sub> <u>Jan 3, 2025</u>

Allen Shen