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Anthony Forlini Continues to Push for Transparency Innovations in Elections

*Roll out of new feature by Macomb County Clerk gives example of what
transparency measures can be expected in Lansing*

MACOMB COUNTY, Mich. On Monday, February 23, 2026, as Macomb County Clerk Anthony G. Forlini introduced “Ballot Verifier” software to the County’s official Election Department website.

This tool will allow every citizen to see all ballots cast and compare the ballots to how the tabulator scores the ballot. Anthony is the first County Clerk in Michigan to make this service available to his constituents, and frankly anyone with internet access can access it.

Candidate for Secretary of State Anthony Forlini commented, “*Over the past five years, I’ve worked to increase transparency within the law so voters in Macomb County can trust the system. This tool is just the beginning of what I’ll deliver as Secretary of State.*”

“Ballot Verifier,” a product offered by a US based election software company Civera, is a public platform for the viewing, comparing and checking the count of every ballot and Cast Vote Record (CVR) cast in an election.

“This new service displays scanned images of the actual ballot and shows how the tabulator recorded the vote, all while maintaining confidentiality to the person who voted. Visitors to the Macomb County website will be able to browse, zoom and compare side-by-side the exact ballot images without needing a special FOIA request,” said Forlini.

The ballot images are presented alongside what is known as the “cast vote record.” These records show how the tabulator counted the vote on election day. By showing these side-by-side, anyone can instantly see whether there are any discrepancies.

Learn more at www.forliniforum.com

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