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To Whom it may concern.

I wanted to take a moment to express my concerns relative to recent moves by the public records board to limit and in some cases eliminate access to records related to the running of our government. **The latest suggestion that electronic records (email, text, social media posts) should somehow be removed from the public view is appalling.** Government always works best in full view of the electorate. By allowing our State government to conduct business without the understanding that the records from their work are available to the electorate and press will remove an important common sense protection against non representative governing and the kind of backroom deal making at the expense of taxpayers that has become all too common in Wisconsin.

I would urge you to do your job and view this and any other issues related to open government from the perspective of the taxpayers who after all do pay your salary and not from the administration that appears to be doing all it can to hide the political sausage making process from the public.

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