

Prospective Petition - Recall (SEL 350)

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Petition for Recall of

Name of Public Officer

Melody Killens

Title of Public Officer

School Board Member - Position #2

Statement

Provide the reasons for demanding recall in 200 words or less. Any factual information provided must be true.

We, the undersigned, believe that Saint Helens School Board Member, Melody Killens, lost the trust of the community when she and the collective board failed to place former SHHS Choir teacher, Eric Stearns, on administrative leave after local law enforcement notified them of an ongoing criminal investigation against him.

They allowed him to remain in his teaching position and in contact with students until the day he was arrested for charges that involve the sexual abuse of minors.

While Melody Killens, was in her position, the Saint Helens School District, Superintendent, and School Board were sued, and settled for 3.5 million dollars after the judge found them grossly indifferent and negligent under Title IX, for not protecting the minor Plaintiff from a known predator.

The Community suspects that Melody Killens didn't adequately fulfill her role as a mandatory reporter by reporting suspected abuse directly to DHS after the board encouraged Superintendent Scot Stockwell to single-handedly follow up on a student's report to the board of sexual abuse, just months after the Jessica Doe settlement.

Chief Petitioner Information

The chief petitioner must remain throughout the petition process or the petition is void.

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By signing this document, I hereby state that any factual information (not a matter of opinion) in the above statement is true.

Signature

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Date Signed
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