December 7, 2021
Official Special Election Ballot
King County, Washington

Instructions

How to vote

Completely fill in the oval next to your choice.

How to correct a mistake

To make a correction, draw a line through the entire choice. You then have the option of making a different choice by completely filling in another oval.

City

Ballot Synopsis of Recall Charges Against Councilmember Kshama Sawant,
City of Seattle Council District No. 3

Shall City of Seattle Councilmember Kshama Sawant be recalled from office for misfeasance, malfeasance and violation of the oath of office based upon allegations that she violated the city charter, city code and state law when she:

1. Used City resources to support a ballot initiative and failed to comply with the public disclosure requirements related to such support;
2. Disregarded state orders related to COVID-19 by admitting hundreds of people into City Hall on June 9, 2020 when it was closed to the public;
3. Led a protest march to Mayor Jenny Durkan’s private residence, the location of which Councilmember Sawant knew was protected under state confidentiality laws.

Councilmember Kshama Sawant, City of Seattle Council District No. 3,
Response to the Recall Charges

Vote ‘NO’ on the right-wing recall. The charges against Kshama Sawant are dishonest, and the courts haven’t found her guilty of anything.

Kshama, an immigrant woman of color, is being attacked for participating in peaceful Black Lives Matter protests. This recall is part of the racist right-wing backlash attempting to criminalize protest nationally.

Big business and the right wing want to remove Kshama because she’s such an effective fighter for working people. Rather than appeasing the establishment, Kshama has used her 8 years in office to win historic victories like the $15 minimum wage and Amazon Tax to fund housing. Rather than taking home the $140,000 Councilmembers pay themselves, Kshama lives on an average worker’s wage and donates the majority of her salary to social justice movements.

The recall is bankrolled by the corporate elite and 500+ Republicans, including Trump’s biggest Washington donor, George Petrie. Corporate landlords back it because they want to stop Kshama’s fight for rent control.

Kshama didn’t lead the march on Mayor Durkan’s house, and it’s no crime to stand with Black Lives Matter as Kshama did at the peaceful City Hall rally. Kshama didn’t break the law, but like civil rights leaders and socialists before her, she’s always prepared to put herself on the line for working people.

Ultimately this recall will be decided by you: will you vote ‘NO’ and stand with Kshama Sawant, one of the nation’s most progressive elected representatives, OR will you side with big business and the right wing?

☐ Recall Yes
☐ Recall No

End of Ballot