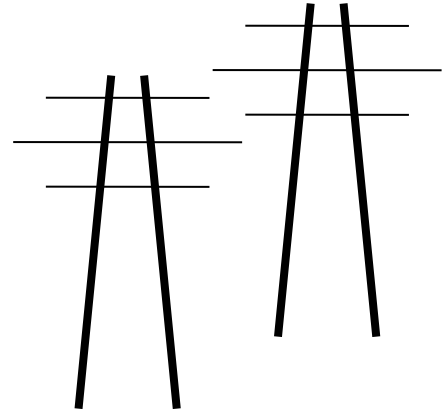


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RE: **Data Practices Act Request**

Information regarding for cancellation of A.G. Keith Ellison appearance

Dear Superintendent Jaszczak and Director Rider:

This is a Data Practices Act Request as provided by Chapter 13 of our Minnesota statutes.

I request any and all documentation of threats and/or objection to A.G. Ellison's appearance; of race-based communications during Black History Month; of the District's "concerns over significant disruption" of the Ellison event; and rationale and support for cancellation of the Ellison event, including, but not limited to (obviously redacting any protected **STUDENT** information), the following related to A.G. Ellison's appearance:

- Copies of emails received by the District or District personnel;
- Copies of letters or notes received by the District or District personnel;
- Copies of notes of telephone calls received by the District or District personnel;
- Copies of notes taken regarding direct/in-person communications to the District or District personnel;
- Copies of photographs and/or video of communications by signs, chalk on sidewalks, paint on doors or car windows;
- Copies of any and all other documents regarding A.G. Keith Ellison's appearance.
- Copies of inter-District communications and notes regarding objections to and/or threats of disruption, and considerations of District response.

I am particularly concerned about this cancellation after seeing the ugly social media comments after the cancellation was made public yesterday, in what looks like a repeat of the vitriolic hate campaign five years ago surrounding the County's need to consent to acceptance of refugee

resettlement¹. I am distressed to see this very real part of our community, particularly after I'd learned about and have been documenting the strong Ku Klux Klan activity here a century ago and the resurgence of "America First" policies via our legislative elected officials.

If a hate campaign was the basis for yesterday's cancellation, that unfortunately serves as encouragement to continue that behavior.

I'd prefer the documentation requested be sent electronically, to me at overland@legalelectric.org. If a file review would be more convenient, please let me know when and where!

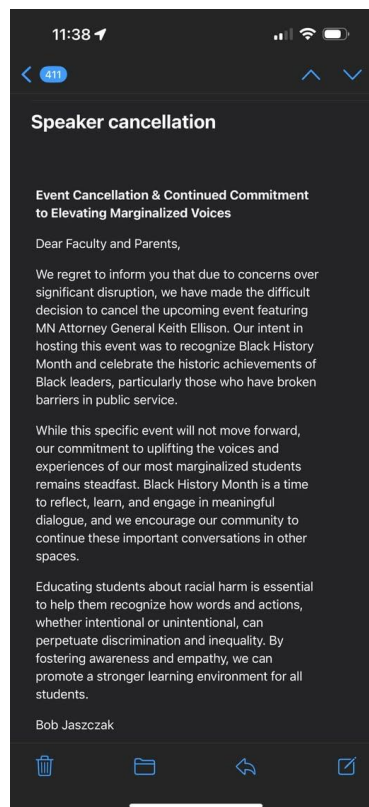
Thanks for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,



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¹ [Refugee Resettlement in Goodhue County](#) January 6th, 2020
[Goodhue County consents to continue to accept refugees](#) January 8th, 2020