

AFFIDAVIT FOR RECALL OF MARK FUNKHOUSER FROM THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

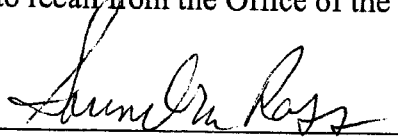
Sandra Ross, a resident and registered voter of the Third Council District of Kansas City, Missouri, after being first duly sworn on her oath hereby states the following grounds for recall of Mark Funkhouser from the Office of Mayor:

1. Mayor Funkhouser took an oath of office to uphold the Constitution known as the "City Charter" as it was written. He is now using his position as "The Mayor" to put into implementation his own personal "Interpretation" of the Charter in ongoing efforts to terminate Wayne Cauthen, City Manager, without City Council approval. The Council is being sued by Bill Skaggs of Council District 1, with the approval and support of the Mayor. This action has caused a breach of public trust and is in direct contradiction to the will of the electorate.
2. Mayor Funkhouser, as a public official has caused the city to lose millions of dollars in convention revenue. Because of his stubbornness, inflexibility, and lack of political sensitivity with regard to the appointment of former Park's Board Member, Francis Semler, who publicly announced her membership in a White Supremacist hate group, "The Minuteman civil Defense Corps (MCDC)," Kansas City lost the La Raza convention and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference Convention. The Latino and African American Communities do not have the support or respect of the Mayor, who put his own feelings above those of the electorate. When questioned by the Kansas City Star, about a possible "recall" of his Office because of his controversial stances, Mayor Funkhouser responded arrogantly, "**Bring it on**".
3. Mayor Funkhouser campaigned on a platform to be financially responsible with the city's money, but has shown himself to be dishonest with the recent loss of \$ 80,000 in campaign funds while in office and the fact that his wife, Gloria Squitiro is a paid "Volunteer" as she wrote a check to herself for over \$5,400 during late 2007, with the full support of her husband. She is in fact acting as the Mayor's "Chief of Staff", which is referred to as "Nepotism". Despite a federal lawsuit brought against the City for racist comments made by Gloria, referring to a staffer as, "Mammy", her daily presence and oversight of the Mayor's Office continues to be unchallenged. This is a conflict of the City's interests.
4. Mayor Funkhouser promised voters in underserved areas of the city, that extension of the ½ cents sales tax would be used for projects to revitalize the economically deprived inner core of the city. He has refused to meet with African Americans' to discuss anything, despite a letter requesting his presence to discuss issues in Council Districts 3 and 5.

5. The definition of a Public Official is defined as follows by the State of Missouri: Public officials and employees are agents of public purpose and hold office for the benefit of the public. They are bound to uphold the constitution of the United States and the constitution of this state and to carry out **impartially** the laws of the Nation, State, and Municipality, and thus to foster respect for all government. They are bound to observe the official duties of their office, regardless of personal considerations, recognizing that **the public interest** must be their primary concern. Their conduct in both their official and private affairs should be above reproach.

6. Mayor Funkhouser has put the interest of his wife and himself above the interest of the electorate, and conducted his affairs in a fashion designed, not to advance the interests of Kansas City at large. Therefore, Mark Funkhouser should be subject to recall from the Office of the Mayor.

Further Affiant saith not.



Sandra Ross

Mayor Mark Funkhouser has been subjected to recall by submission of a recall petition. Which of the following candidates should serve as Mayor to serve out the existing term of office?

Former Mayor Pro-Tem: Mr. Alvin Brooks

Recall of Mayor Funkhouser

Mayor Funkhouser's lack of political experience, social awareness, and rude personality has caused the City of Kansas City to lose millions of dollars in convention and investment revenue. While his past experience as the City's Auditor for many years may have given him some insight as to fiscal matters, his negotiating and interpersonal skills leave much to be desired. The Mayor is currently designating college students and campaign supporters to represent him in important meetings and ceremonies that have a regional as well as a national impact on our city.

Mayor Funkhouser has shown himself to be very inflexible, insensitive and defensive as to his stances on the attempted firing without Council knowledge of City Manager Wayne Cauthen. It was his wife Gloria's appointment of Francis Semler, (former as of 1/21/08) to the Parks' Department Board, whose active affiliation with the Minutemen organization of Missouri caused a major controversy within the Latino and African American Communities. Had Kansas City's voters been informed that the Mayor's wife, Gloria Squitiro, would be sharing the Mayor's office and actually influencing his policy decisions, the election, which was already close (820 vote margin) would more likely than not have had a different outcome. Alvin Brooks, former Mayor-Pro Tem would be our Mayor and the troubles at City Hall and our city at large would not exist as they do today.

Diplomacy and experience is needed for Kansas City to move forward where former Mayors' Richard Berkley, Reverend Emmanuel Cleaver II, and Kaye Barnes left off. One year later we have a Mayor who has divided the City Council and has not shown the leadership necessary to represent the citizens' of Kansas City. We have a City Council Member, Bill Skaggs, actually filing lawsuits against other Council members who voted to retain our current City Manager. Mr. Cauthen has done a great job over the last four years in Kansas City. The changes he's made have been a great asset to our city.

The 60-day "cooling off" time frame is nearly over, after which time, Mayor Funkhouser will continue his efforts to discharge Mr. Cauthen despite Council and public opinion. Funkhouser's interpretation of the "City Charter" may allow this to occur.

Let us go forward with a recall of his leadership, which has proven to be too contentious, misguided, and inept. Please remember that it was Funkhouser, the former City Auditor who opposed the Sprint Center and the Kansas City Power and Light District. In a recent verbal response (1/4/08) to a written request (11/21/07) to meet with constituents in the third district, Mayor Funkhouser informed the group that the City is \$43 million dollars in debt and that he'll send through the request for basic infrastructure maintenance to the Budget Committee. He misled voters' into believing that projects for underserved areas was contingent upon the passage of the ½ cent sales tax. Where is the money?

Recall of Mayor Funkhouser and the installation of Alvin Brooks to finish out his term are crucial for Kansas City's future.

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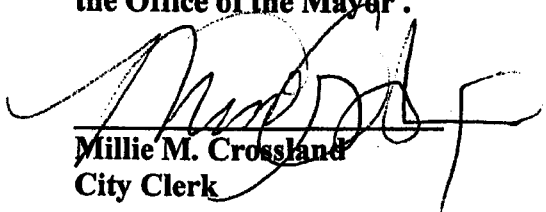
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CERTIFICATE OF RECEIPT

I certify that on this 29th day of January, 2008, a Committee of Petitioners filed in the City Clerk's Office an Affidavit for the Recall of Mayor Mark Funkhouser from the Office of the Mayor .



Millie M. Crossland
City Clerk