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Complaint Form (08/17)

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SIGNED/NOTARIZED

Type or print in ink all information on this form except for verification signature

Person bringing complaint (Complainant):

Complete Name Natsuki Nakamura
Complete Mailing Address 507 W. Lamme
Bozeman, MT 59715
Phone Numbers: Work _____ Home 217-898-6686

Person or organization against whom complaint is brought (Respondent):

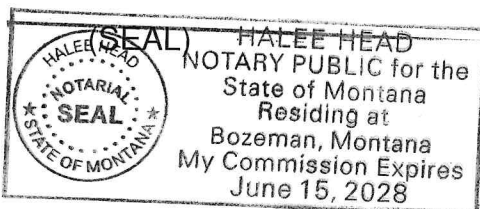
Complete Name Forward Montana or Vote No on Ward
Complete Mailing Address P.O. Box 2817
Missoula, MT 59806
Phone Numbers: Work _____ Home _____

Please complete the second page of this form and describe in detail the facts of the alleged violation.

Verification by oath or affirmation

State of Montana, County of Gallatin County

I, Natsuki Nakamura, being duly sworn, state that the information in this Complaint is complete, true, and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.



[Signature]

Signature of Complainant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8 day of October, 2025.

[Signature]

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

Statement of facts:

Describe in detail the alleged violation(s) and cite the statute or statutes you believe have been violated. Please attach copies of documentary evidence to support the facts alleged in your statement.

If the space provided below is insufficient, you may attach additional pages as necessary.

The included flyer does not have any "Paid for" attribution, which is a violation of 13-35-225(b) MCA. This flyer was distributed at a candidate forum hosted on 9/30/25 by Forward Montana (Incidental Committee) and mentions the "Vote No on WARD" campaign (ballot issue committee), but is not attributed to either. This flyer may have been distributed at other events as well.

Complaints must be:

- signed
- notarized
- delivered in person or by mail.



Who is Forward Montana?

Forward Montana is the state's largest youth voter engagement non-profit organization, building power with and for young people. We register and educate voters, train young organizers, and advocate on issues that matter the most, like housing. Our housing vision is grounded in **affordability, sustainability, and resiliency**.



Who/What is WARD?

WARD is a ballot initiative that proposes changing the City of Bozeman's municipal code. It would effectively stop most housing projects by requiring developments of 3+ units to either:

- Set aside 33% of homes at unrealistic affordable rates (economically impossible without significant subsidies), OR
- Have to bring their own water rights (a costly, years-long process)

This initiative is misleading, and would threaten both affordable housing and water in Bozeman and the surrounding area.



Why do we Oppose WARD?

WARD undermines our vision. WARD:

- **Restricts Supply:** Developers unable to meet the impossible affordability and water right requirements will choose to build elsewhere, once again leaving Bozeman with a shortage of housing and driving workers out.
- **Raises Prices:** Without steady building, Bozeman will continue to be in a boom-and-bust housing cycle. Bozeman's current 12% vacancy rate suggests an oversupply, and a drop of 6.4% in rent price correlated with it. If we do not plan for the future and do not keep up building, Bozeman's housing market is expected to absorb this oversupply and leave us back to the inflated prices seen in 2020-2022.
- **Drives Sprawl:** Growth will be pushed into the county, leading to longer car commutes, loss of open spaces, less efficiency in water use, and septic systems that degrade water quality.
- **Misleads Voters:** WARD claims to create affordable housing and conserve water in Bozeman, but ignores solutions to the real drivers of high costs and does nothing to conserve water.

Bozeman needs flexible, science-based solutions, not rigid, blanket policies. **WARD hurts affordability, sustainability, and our shared quality of life.**



So what can I do?

- **Vote NO on WARD** in November
- Support candidates who oppose WARD
- Talk with friends, neighbors, and coworkers about WARD's real impact on our community
- Volunteer with the VOTE NO on WARD campaign by connecting with Forward MT
- Stay engaged in city development planning