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**WISCONSIN VOTERS ASK STATE OFFICIALS TO MAKE ELECTION INTEGRITY A PRIORITY**  
*State lawmakers, voters want future elections to be lawful and transparent*

Madison, Wisconsin/May 24, 2021 – The Amistad Project, the nation’s leading election integrity watchdog, is holding a press conference at the Wisconsin State Capitol building on Tuesday to announce the filing of a formal complaint with the Wisconsin Elections Commission accusing the City of Madison of inviting improper outside influence over its election process in 2020. State legislators will also speak about the need for future elections to be conducted transparently and in accordance with state laws.

**WHO:** **Erick Kaardal, Attorney, The Amistad Project**  
Assemblyman Shae Sortwell  
Assemblywoman Janel Brandtjen  
State Senator Andre Jacques  
Yiping Liu, Madison resident  
Mary Baldwin, Madison resident  
Kathleen Johnson, Madison resident  
Bonnie Held, Madison resident  
Susan N. Timmerman, Madison resident

**WHAT:** Press conference to announce the filing of an official complaint with the Wisconsin Elections Commission against the City of Madison.

**WHERE:** Wisconsin State Capitol (State St. side)  
2 E. Main St.  
Madison, WI 53703

**WHEN:** **Tuesday, May 25, 2021**  
10:30 a.m. CDT

**DETAILS:** Madison was part of the notorious “Wisconsin 5,” along with Racine, Kenosha, Green Bay, and Milwaukee. Together, these cities received over \$6 million from a nonprofit called the Center for Tech and Civic Life, in the form of grants that bound the cities to make significant changes to the way they conducted their elections. They did not request or receive approval of these grants or their conditions from either the State Legislature or the WEC. In order to fulfill these obligations, the cities brought in partisan activists representing private organizations such as the National Vote at Home Institute, which used public resources to provide targeted outreach and assistance designed to drive up turnout among favored groups of voters.

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