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Statement regarding data centers:

I believe a republic form of government requires the approval of stakeholders for changes that could effect their holding and enjoyment of their property or health. I freely admit that I am not an expert on data centers. It is my understanding that data centers pose some threat to resources and can create nuisances for which others would be subject to prosecution or fines. Equal protection afforded by the Constitution requires that all committing a nuisance be treated equally.

I am also concerned that the value of data and the potential of disruption of any grid to which the centers are attached may make data centers military and terrorist targets. Those who may be affected by any harm from the presence of the data centers are entitled to full disclosure of the particulars of each data center and approve or disapprove by referendum.

There should be no nondisclosure agreement executed by any officeholder acting in the capacity of their elected office including regarding data centers. At this time I am considering that a state constitutional amendment allowing and requiring data centers be voted on a local referendum for all areas that may be effected by a data center including those in progress at the time. I am of the notion that an executive order banning additional data centers until such requirements are certain will be necessary while details are developed. I welcome input including from experts and stakeholders. Common sense dictates that a neighbor that forces themselves on neighbors that may not want them wont be a good neighbor when a problem arises.

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