

There has been a major shake-up in Michigan's governor's race. Less than three weeks before the election, Mike Cox has withdrawn as a candidate. Some have already voted for Mike by absentee ballot. If these voters want to change their vote to Perry Johnson or John James, a written and signed request must be received by their local clerk's office no later than 5:00 PM on Friday, July 24. After that request is approved, the voter will be issued a new ballot which can then be cast for the August election.

Example Written Request:

July 23, 2026

Dear Manistee County Clerk,

I wish to spoil my ballot for the August 4, 2026, election and receive a new ballot.

Signed _____

You can mail this request in, or better yet, go to your local clerk's office, present it, receive a new ballot, vote it, and leave the ballot with the clerk.