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**Upper Arlington Recall Election Set
Board Director Anthony Placed on Leave**

(Columbus) The Franklin County Board of Elections cleared the way for an election to recall members of Upper Arlington City Council this morning.

The board certified petitions to subject four candidates to possible removal from office. In doing so, it voted three to one, with board member Greg Haas dissenting, to reject an appeal filed on behalf of U.A. council member Francis Greenhill because a recall petition identified Greenhill by his commonly known nickname of "Kip." Ohio law requires Upper Arlington to schedule the recall within 30 to 40 days of the board's action.

The board also voted unanimously to place Director Bill Anthony, a Democrat, on administrative leave with pay until its Aug. 1 meeting and named Zach Manifold, a Democrat and the board's absentee voting manager, as acting director in his absence.

Anthony was recently indicted by a Franklin County Grand Jury on charges of theft in office and tampering with records. He is scheduled to be arraigned July 25 in Franklin County Common Pleas Court.

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