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DEADLINE TO REQUEST ABSENTEE BALLOT APPROACHING

Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) Conny McCormack is reminding voters who wish to vote by mail that the deadline to request absentee ballot for the May 15, 2007 39th State Assembly District Special Primary Election and the City of Los Angeles General Municipal Election is Tuesday, May 8, 2007.

Concurrent Election

Residents of State Assembly District 39 will vote on two different ballots at the same polling place, one ballot for Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) Board of Education and/or the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) Board of Trustees runoff candidates, and a second ballot for Assembly District 39 candidates.

It was not possible to combine the two separate elections onto one ballot due to printing deadlines and legal cut-off dates established by the California Elections Code and the City of Los Angeles Election Code.

Los Angeles County (which is conducting the Assembly District 39 election) and the City of Los Angeles (which is conducting the LAUSD and LACCD runoff elections) will EACH mail a sample ballot to voters. These sample ballots list the candidates for each race, provide polling place information, contain a Vote By Mail application, and in the case of Assembly District 39, provide candidate statements where applicable.

Voters who wish to vote by mail must apply to BOTH the City of Los Angeles and Los Angeles County to receive separate absentee ballots for each election. (Permanent Absent Voters do NOT need to apply. Both the City and the County will automatically mail ballots to these voters.)

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Requesting an Absentee Ballot

39th State Assembly District Special Primary Election

Registered voters who would like to obtain an absentee ballot for the 39th State Assembly District Special Primary Election must send a written request containing the voter's name, residence address and address to which the ballot is to be mailed. The signature of each person asking for an absentee ballot is required in order to verify the legitimacy of the application. Absentee ballots may be requested in the following ways:

- By filling out the Vote-By-Mail Application on the back cover of the Official Sample Ballot booklet sent by the RR/CC to each registered voter; or
- By letter addressed to the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, Absentee Vote Section, P.O. Box 30450, Los Angeles, CA 90030-0450; or
- By accessing the RR/CC website at www.lavote.net and clicking on the Absentee Voting page under "Registrar of Voters Operations" and filling out an Absentee Ballot Application online; or
- In person at the RR/CC's Office, 12400 Imperial Highway, 3rd floor, Room 3002 Norwalk.

If a voter has applied for an absentee ballot and has not received it within a week after sending in the application, the voter should call the RR/CC's Office at 1-800-815-2666. The range of remedies available to the voter includes 1) requesting a replacement absentee ballot to be mailed; 2) voting at the RR/CC's Norwalk Office through election day; or 3) going to the designated neighborhood precinct polling place to vote on election day.

To be counted, the voted absentee ballot must either be returned in person to the Registrar's Office, delivered to any polling place in Los Angeles County on election day during poll hours 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., or mailed in time to be in the Registrar's Office by 8:00 p.m. on May 15th (postmarks are not acceptable). Additionally, the

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voter may authorize a designated family member to return the voted ballot to any polling place conducting this election or to the Registrar's Office in accordance with the procedures outlined on the absentee ballot return envelope.

Under special circumstances from May 9th thru May 15th a voter may request an emergency absentee ballot by applying in person or by sending a designee to the RR/CC Headquarters, 12400 Imperial Hwy., Norwalk. Additional information regarding this service or any questions regarding absentee voting can be obtained by calling the RR/CC Absentee Voter Section at (562) 466-1323, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays, or accessing the RR/CC website at www.lavote.net.

LAUSD and/or LACCD Runoff Election

Voters wishing to receive a vote by mail ballot for the City of Los Angeles LAUSD and/or LACCD Runoff Election must fill out a vote by mail application which can be found on the back cover of the Official Sample Ballot provided by the City of Los Angeles or on the City's Election Division website at <http://cityclerk.lacity.org/election>. Applications should be mailed to the Los Angeles City Clerk, Election Division, P.O. Box 54377, Los Angeles, CA 90054-0377. Vote by mail applications can also be faxed to the City of Los Angeles Election Division Vote-By-Mail Section at (213) 978-0611 or (213) 978-0612.

For information or assistance on the City of Los Angeles vote by mail process, please call the Vote-By-Mail Section of the Election Division at (213) 978-8050 weekdays between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Persons requiring multilingual assistance in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog/Filipino, or Vietnamese regarding information in the press release, may call (800) 481-8683.

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