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VOTE BY MAIL UNDERWAY IN JULY 12, 2011 CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 36 SPECIAL GENERAL ELECTION

The Office of the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) has begun issuing Vote By Mail ballots for the Congressional District 36 Special General Election. The first mailing included 2,482 Official Vote By Mail ballots. Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk Dean Logan reminded registered voters in the District that they can request Vote by Mail ballots through Tuesday, July 5.

Requesting A Vote By Mail Ballot

Voters may request a Vote by Mail ballot in one of the following ways:

- Complete the Vote by Mail application on the back cover of the Official Sample Ballot booklet; or
- Submit an electronic request by visiting the RR/CC website at www.lavote.net and select the *Voting and Elections* tab located at the top of the main page; click on the *Vote By Mail Application* link in the *Quick Links* box of the Voting and Elections page; or
- Send a letter addressed to the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, Vote by Mail Section, P.O. Box 30450, Los Angeles, CA 90030-0450; or
- Apply in person at the RR/CC Headquarters, 12400 Imperial Hwy., 3rd Floor, Room 3002, Norwalk, CA 90650.

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Voters who request a Vote by Mail ballot can check on the status of their request using the RR/CC's online look-up. Visit www.lavote.net and select the *Voting and Elections* tab located at the top of the main page; click on the *Vote by Mail Status* link in the *Quick Links* box of the Voting and Elections page. Voters may also call the RR/CC at (562) 466-1323.

Requesting Permanent Vote By Mail Status

California law allows any registered voter to become a permanent Vote by Mail voter. Voters may request Permanent Vote by Mail status in one of the following ways:

- Complete the Vote by Mail application on the back cover of the Official Sample Ballot booklet and check the "PERMANENT VOTE BY MAIL STATUS" box; or
- Visit www.lavote.net and select the *Voting and Elections* tab located at the top of the main page; select the *Vote by Mail Information* tab in the left navigation column; then click the *Permanent Vote By Mail Application* link in the *Links To Vote By Mail Applications* section located at the end of the Vote By Mail page to download a Permanent Vote By Mail Application;
- Send a letter addressed to the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, Vote by Mail Section, P.O. Box 30450, Los Angeles, CA 90030-0450; or
- Call the RR/CC to request an application for Permanent Vote by Mail Status at (562) 466-1323.

Returning Your Vote By Mail Ballot

Voted ballots must be received by the RR/CC no later than Tuesday, July 12, 2011 by 8 p.m. Ballots received after 8 p.m. July 12, regardless of postmark, will not be accepted. In order to be counted, ballots cast by mail must be returned with sufficient time for mail delivery to the RR/CC by 8 p.m. on July 12. Vote by Mail ballots may also be returned in person to the RR/CC Headquarters, or delivered to any polling place in the 36th Congressional District before the polls close at 8 p.m. on Election Day. A voter may authorize a designated family member to return the voted ballot to a polling place or to the RR/CC in accordance with the procedures outlined on the Vote by Mail ballot return envelope.

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About The Election

The Special General Election is being held for the purpose of filling the vacancy for the unexpired 2 year term ending at midnight on January 3, 2013, in the 36th Congressional District resulting from the resignation of office by former Congresswoman Jane Harman on February 28, 2011.

The Special Primary Election for the 36th Congressional District was held on May 17, 2011. No candidate received a majority of the vote in this election, resulting in the top-two vote getters proceeding to the runoff in the Special General Election.

New “Top-Two” Primary System

Los Angeles County was amongst the first Counties in California to conduct an election under the new “Top-Two” Primary system. The “Top-Two” Primary election system has replaced partisan primaries for all congressional, statewide and state legislative elections. Under the “Top-Two” Primary system approved by voters in June 2010 and effective January 1, 2011, all candidates regardless of party will appear on a single ballot. Voters may choose to vote for any candidate on the ballot. This means that two candidates of the same party may be nominated to run in a general election.

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Persons requiring multilingual assistance in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog/Filipino or Vietnamese can call (800) 481-8683.

ABOUT THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

The mission of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk is to serve Los Angeles County by providing essential records management and election services in a fair, accessible and transparent manner.

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