## REBECCA SPENCER Registrar of Voters



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# REGISTRAR OF VOTERS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

SUBJECT: MAIL BALLOT VOTING PRECINCT / OFFICIAL BALLOT

### Dear Voter:

Enclosed you will find your Official Ballot, voting instructions, and all other materials necessary to return your voted ballot for the August 29, 2017 Special District Mail Ballot Election. You are receiving your Official Ballot in the mail because your precinct has been designated as a *Mail Ballot Precinct*. This means there will not be a Polling Place established for your precinct.

As a voter in a Mail Ballot Precinct, your Official Ballot is mailed to you as soon as ballots are available for the election. Also included is important information about local candidates on your ballot. We recommend you review the information contained in these publications before voting your Official Ballot. If you do not receive the informational publications in the mail, you may view or download a copy on our website at <a href="https://www.voteinfo.net">www.voteinfo.net</a> or call our office at (951) 486-7200 or (800) 773-8683 and request that one be mailed to you.

- ✓ Please refer to the enclosed Voting Instructions sheet to properly complete and return your voted ballot. For a demonstration on marking your ballot visit <a href="https://www.voteinfo.net">www.voteinfo.net</a>.
- √ Your voted ballot must be in the possession of the Riverside County Registrar of Voters office by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day or be postmarked on or before Election Day and received no later than three days after Election Day to be counted.
- ✓ You may verify that the Registrar of Voters has received your voted ballot by checking the return status online at www.voteinfo.net.
- ✓ You may also drop off your voted ballot at the Registrar of Voters office on Election Day.
- ✓ If you have changed your name or moved and have not re-registered at your current residence address, call us for further information at (951) 486-7200 or (800) 773-8683. State law requires that your signature and current address must match your voter registration on file with our office.

If for any reason you are unable to vote the enclosed Official Ballot, you may vote at the Registrar of Voters office July 31 – August 28 (excluding Holidays), Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and Election Day, August 29, 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Thank you** for your continued participation and support in making democracy work.

Sincerely,

**REBECCA SPENCER**Registrar of Voters

PARA ESPAÑOL, VEA EL OTRO LADO



# SPECIAL DISTRICT MAIL BALLOT ELECTION AUGUST 29, 2017



### POLLING PLACES WILL NOT BE ESTABLISHED FOR THIS ELECTION.

The enclosed ballot is your **OFFICIAL BALLOT** for this election.

### **VOTING INSTRUCTIONS**

Your voted ballot must be in the possession of the Registrar of Voters Office no later than 8:00 p.m. on Election Day or be postmarked on or before Election Day and received no later than three days after Election Day to be counted.

- 1. Use a black ball point pen. **DO NOT** use felt tip, red or gel ink.
  - a. To vote for a candidate whose name appears on the ballot, connect the head and tail of the arrow to the right of the name of the candidate for whom you wish to vote.
  - b. To vote for a qualified write-in candidate, print the candidate's name in the space provided below the candidates listed for the same office and connect the head and tail of the arrow to the right of the name you have written in. (*Important!* If you do not connect the arrow, your vote will not be counted.)
  - c. One line connecting the arrow is preferred. Vote for no more than the number of votes allowed in each contest (e.g. vote for one, vote for no more than two, etc.).
- 2. Remove the top stub and place the voted ballot card in the return envelope provided. Please keep the ballot folded the same way as you received it.
  - a. Sign your name and print your address where indicated. If you fail to sign the envelope your vote cannot be counted; and
  - b. Seal the envelope.
- 3. Return your ballot:
  - a. By mail:
    - A postage-paid envelope is provided to conveniently return your ballot by mail. Since this is a mail ballot election, there are no established
      polling places. Voters residing outside of the territorial limits of the United States must add postage appropriate for their current location.
  - b. In person to:
    - The Registrar of Voters office during regular business hours and until close of polls on Election Day. For your convenience the Registrar's office has a locked drop box at its entry for ballot drop off 24 hours a day.
  - c. You may verify that the Registrar of Voters has received your voted ballot by checking the return status online at <a href="https://www.voteinfo.net">www.voteinfo.net</a>.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- UNABLE TO RETURN YOUR BALLOT PERSONALLY? State law allows you to authorize any individual to return a voter's Vote-by-Mail ballot, as long as the authorized person does not receive any form of compensation for returning the Vote-by-Mail ballot. Your designated representative must complete the authorization statement on the enclosed return envelope.
- SPOILED YOUR BALLOT? Place the ballot card in the enclosed return envelope, place a checkmark in the spoiled box on the return envelope and return it to our office. A new ballot will be sent to you if there is sufficient time to do so. If there is not sufficient time to return your ballot and receive another by mail, you may return your ballot personally to the Registrar of Voters office or call for further instructions at (951) 486-7200 or (800) 773-8683.
- ACCESSIBLE VOTING UNIT. An Accessible Voting Unit is available at the Registrar of Voters office.
- **REGISTRATION DEADLINE.** The registration deadline to vote for this election is August 14, 2017.

Each candidate's statement is volunteered by the candidate and is printed at the expense of the candidate. Statements made on the following pages represent the views of authors and are not endorsed by the County of Riverside. Internet website addresses included in any statements are provided by the authors. The County of Riverside assumes no liability for the accuracy or content of websites listed therein. The text, grammar, and spelling are as submitted by the authors.

### **HOW TO MARK YOUR PAPER BALLOT**

- Connect the head and tail of the arrow that points to your choice, like the example provided. Check both front and back of ballot for voting contests.
- Use a black ball point pen. Do not use felt tip, red or gel ink.
- · One line connecting the arrow is preferred.
- Vote for no more than the number of votes allowed in each contest (e.g. vote for one, vote for no more than two, etc.).
- · Please keep the ballot folded the same way as you received it.





**Vote First, Count First!** Vote-by-Mail ballots received before Election Day are counted first. Return your ballot as soon as possible to ensure that it is included in the first Election Night results!

For a demonstration on marking your ballot visit <a href="www.voteinfo.net">www.voteinfo.net</a>.
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