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September 5, 2023

County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum #23072

TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters

FROM: /s/ Valerie Spake

Election Analyst

RE: Voter Education and Outreach: National Voter Registration Day

National Voter Registration Day is a formally recognized voter outreach initiative which aims at registering eligible citizens so they can be empowered to cast a ballot in the upcoming 2024 elections.

This year, National Voter Registration Day occurs on September 19, 2023. The Secretary of State's Office encourages California's grassroots organizations, businesses, schools, and other civically minded groups to promote the vote within their communities. Secretary Shirley N. Weber, Ph.D. has issued a resolution (attached) detailing the importance of participating in this national event.

The National Voter Registration Day organization has resources available for participating groups and allows local events to be posted in a searchable calendar on their website at https://nationalvoterregistrationday.org/events/. The Secretary of State has added a webpage dedicated to this day and includes links to these resources. This page can be found at https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voting-resources/voting-california/help-strengthen-our-democracy/national-voter-registration-day.

If you have questions about this or any other outreach related matter, please feel free to contact our office at myvote@sos.ca.gov or (916) 695-1564. Thank you.

Attachment



SECRETARY OF STATE

RELATIVE TO RECOGNIZING NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION DAY

WHEREAS, the California Secretary of State's office is committed to empowering all Californians to be informed active members of our democracy; and

WHEREAS, civic engagement participation contributes to a more representative government; and

WHEREAS, increasing voter registration is an essential step towards having all eligible California residents participate in our democracy by casting a ballot on or before Election Day; and

WHEREAS, California offers pre-registration to 16- and 17-year-olds to help make civic engagement a priority among youth; and

WHEREAS, on January 1, 2021, individuals that were formally incarcerated had their voting rights restored; and

WHEREAS, providing voting accessibility creates an opportunity to help Californians vote who have disabilities, language barriers, and lack access getting to the polls; and

WHEREAS, technology, including California's online voter registration application, is helping to remove barriers to voting, giving citizens greater access to voting resources; and

WHEREAS, every Californian can encourage their families, friends, and community to register and exercise their right to vote; and

WHEREAS, businesses, nonprofit organizations and public agencies in California can help mobilize their communities to vote in all elections; therefore, be it now

RESOLVED, that I, California Secretary of State Shirley N. Weber, Ph.D., recognize September 19, 2023, as **NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION DAY** and encourage all eligible California residents to register to vote.

Subscribed this 19th day of September 2023

Shirley N. Weber, Ph.D. California Secretary of State