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County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum # 25090

TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters

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RE: Statewide Special Election: Required Public Notices

and Voter Education and Outreach Materials

The California Secretary of State (SOS) is now taking orders for required public notices and a variety of outreach and educational materials for the November 4, 2025, Statewide Special Election. Many of these are available in print and are available for download on our website.

County elections officials are required to post notices regarding the prohibition of electioneering and corruption of the voting process. (Elec. Code, §§ 18372, 18504.) These notices **shall be** posted on county elections officials' websites, and conspicuously at all buildings that contain a polling place (including an election official's office or a satellite location) and any outdoor site (including a curbside voting area and a vote-by-mail ballot drop box) at which a voter may cast or drop off a ballot. (Cal. Code Reg., tit. 2, §§ 20180, 20181.) To assist counties with these posting requirements, the Secretary of State has created combined notices that are available for counties to order or download.

Pursuant to Elections Code section 14105(m), Voter Bill of Rights posters **shall** be posted inside and outside each polling place or vote center in every language required in your county. The SOS has these posters which are available in print and electronic formats.

As you prepare for voter education and outreach activities, the SOS would like to also provide counties with the opportunity to order additional supplies the Secretary of State offers that are not required by law. All the educational materials we offer are provided at no cost. Supplies are limited and will be shipped as they become available.

Print materials available for order and download include the following:

1. Required Public Notices:

<u>Prohibition of Electioneering and Corruption</u> – The 11" x 17" poster contains both notices and is available in English, Spanish, Chinese, Hindi, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, Tagalog, Thai, and Vietnamese. These publications can also be found online at https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/publications-and-resources.

<u>Voter Bill of Rights</u> – The 11" x 17" poster contains both English and Spanish. An 8 ½" x 11" version is available in English, Spanish, Chinese, Hindi, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, Tagalog, Thai, and Vietnamese.

The 8 1/2" X 11" version is also available in Arabic, Armenian, Bengali, Burmese, Gujarati, Hmong, Ilocano, Indonesian, Laotian, Mien, Mongolian, Nepali, Persian, Punjabi, Russian, Syriac, Tamil, Telugu, and Urdu.

All versions of the Voter Bill of Rights can be found online at https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voter-bill-rights.

2. Voter Education and Outreach Materials:

Voter education and outreach materials are available in English, Spanish, Chinese, Hindi, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, Tagalog, Thai, and Vietnamese.

<u>A Guide to Voting in California Brochure</u> – This guide provides information on election processes and straightforward details about election administration in California. The online version of this guide can be found on the Secretary of State's website at https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/publications-and-resources.

New Citizen's Guide to Voting Brochure — This publication provides an overview of voter registration and voting procedures for those who have obtained United States citizenship and have gained the right to vote. The brochure includes details about voter eligibility requirements, registration deadlines, political parties, and ballot tracking. This publication includes information in all ten languages within a single brochure. This online version of this brochure can be found on our website at https://elections.cdn.sos.ca.gov/outreach/pdf/new-citizen-guide-voting.pdf

Pre-registration Flyer – This two-sided flyer provides information about pre-registration for 16- and 17-year-olds. It includes details about how to pre-register to vote online, when to pre-register to vote, and the requirements to pre-register to vote. Printed versions of this flyer are available in English and Spanish. The online version

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of this flyer can be found on the Secretary of State's website in all ten languages outlined above. at https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/publications-and-resources.

Quick Facts 2025 - Statewide Special Election Flyer — This two-sided flyer is a comprehensive document that addresses frequently asked questions. It includes information about voter registration and ballot return deadlines, ballot tracking, voting locations and other voting details pertaining to the November 4, 2025, Statewide Special Election. The online version of this flyer can be found on the Secretary of State's website at https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/publications-and-resources.

<u>Voting Rights: Persons with a Prior Felony Conviction</u> – This two-sided flyer is available for the first time this year. This publication provides details regarding voting rights and registration information for those impacted by incarceration. This online version of this publication can be found on the Secretary of State's website at <u>sos.ca.gov/elections/voting-resources/voting-california/who-can-vote-california/voting-rights-californians</u>.

Online resources available for download only on the Secretary of State's website include the following:

<u>Time Off to Vote</u> – This notice reflects California Elections Code section 14001, which requires employers to post a notice to employees advising them of provisions for taking paid leave for the purpose of voting in statewide elections. It is available to download in English, Spanish, Chinese, Hindi, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, Tagalog, Thai, and Vietnamese and can be found at <u>sos.ca.gov/elections/time-vote-notices</u>.

<u>Tips for California's Military and Overseas Voters Flyer</u> – This flyer provides information for voters who are serving our country in the armed forces or living overseas. This resource includes state and federal contacts and important dates and deadlines and can be found at <u>elections.cdn.sos.ca.gov/mov/tips-for-ca-mov.pdf</u>.

Voting in California – An additional online resource that you might find useful is the "Voting in California" webpage at soc.ca.gov/elections/voting-resources/voting-california. This information was expressly created for people who will soon become eligible to vote, such as new citizens or persons new to voting. This information is available in English, Spanish, Chinese, Hindi, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, Tagalog, Thai, and Vietnamese, and provides easy access to all the basic tools people need to become engaged voters.

California Online Voter Registration Application Quick Response (QR) Code – QR codes are a great resource for voters "on the go." These images can be scanned with smart phones and will automatically direct the user to the online voter registration application. The online voter registration application QR code can be printed on stickers or used in outreach pamphlets. Once the user scans the code, they are given

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the option to fill out a voter registration application online. Instructions on how to add the QR code can be found at sos.ca.gov/elections/register-vote-buttons.

Register To Vote Buttons – These buttons can be placed on any website to promote online voter registration. Available in ten languages, these buttons are an outreach tool that state and local governments, organizations, businesses, schools, etc. can use to promote voter registration. When people click on the register to vote button, they are directed to the online voter registration application. Samples and instructions on how to use these buttons are posted on our website at sos.ca.gov/elections/register-vote-buttons/.

To place an order for any of the print materials listed above, please fill out the following online form:

https://forms.office.com/g/SPGMZEnGEm

County orders will be fulfilled once they are submitted to the Secretary of State and all printing is completed. Please submit your order form by **September 15, 2025,** to ensure accurate assessment of need. Orders submitted after this deadline will be subject to availability.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. I can be reached by calling (916) 695-1137 or by email at myvote@sos.ca.gov.

Thank you.