

# SECRETARY OF STATE DECLARATION

# NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION ACT VOTER REGISTRATION AGENCIES

WHEREAS, 52 U.S.C. section 20503(a) of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (NVRA) requires that "each State shall establish procedures to register to vote . . . by application made simultaneously with an application for a motor vehicle driver's license;" and

WHEREAS, 52 U.S.C. section 20506(a)(2)(A) of the NVRA requires that "[e]ach State shall designate . . . all offices in the State that provide public assistance" as voter registration agencies; and

WHEREAS, 52 U.S.C. section 20506(a)(2)(B) of the NVRA requires that "[e]ach State shall designate . . . all offices in the State that provide State-funded programs primarily engaged in providing services to persons with disabilities" as voter registration agencies; and

WHEREAS, 52 U.S.C. section 20506(c) of the NVRA requires that "a recruitment office of the Armed Forces of the United States shall be considered to be a voter registration agency;" and

WHEREAS, 52 U.S.C. section 20506(a)(3)(A) of the NVRA requires that each state shall also designate "other offices within the State as voter registration agencies;" and

WHEREAS, 52 U.S.C. section 20506(a)(6) of the NVRA requires that a voter registration agency that is an office that provides service or assistance shall "distribute with each application for such service or assistance, and with each recertification, renewal, or change of address form relating to such service or assistance" a voter preference form and voter registration application; and

WHEREAS, section 2401 of the California Elections Code provides, "a private entity under contract with a designated voter registration agency to provide services or assistance on behalf of the designated voter registration agency," must also distribute a voter preference form and voter registration application at the time of application, recertification, renewal, or change of address relating to such service or assistance ("NVRA-related services"); and

WHEREAS, as chief elections official of California, I have a duty under 52 U.S.C. section 20509 of the NVRA and section 2400, *et seq.* of the California Elections Code, to coordinate NVRA activities in the State of California, including maintaining a current list of all California NVRA agencies designated since the NVRA took effect and incorporating intervening changes in the names of affected state agencies and programs; now

**THEREFORE**, I, Alex Padilla, Secretary of State of the State of California, do hereby declare the following agencies as designated or re-designated NVRA agencies:

## Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Field Offices

# **Public Assistance Agencies**

County welfare department offices, which accept applications and administer benefits for the CalFresh Program, formerly known as Food Stamps and federally known as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) program, which replaced the Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) program, including, if any, private entities under contract with these county welfare department offices to provide NVRA-related services

County welfare department offices, which accept applications and administer benefits for the Medi-Cal program, including, if any, private entities under contract with these county welfare department offices to provide NVRA-related services

County welfare department offices and community based non-profit organizations under contract with the Department of Public Health, formerly the Department of Health Services, which accept applications and administer benefits for the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) nutrition program, including, if any, private entities under contract with these county welfare department offices to provide NVRA-related services

California Health Benefit Exchange, including, if any, private entities under contract with the California Health Benefit Exchange to provide NVRA-related services

County offices that administer General Assistance/General Relief Programs including, if any, private entities under contract with the county offices to provide NVRA-related services

The California Student Aid Commission (CSAC), including, if any, private entities under contract with CSAC to provide NVRA-related services in connection with the Cal Grant Program, the California Chafee Grant for Foster Youth, the Middle Class Scholarship, the California National Guard Education Assistance Award Program, and the Law Enforcement Personnel Dependents Grant Program

The California Department of Social Services (CDSS), including, if any, private entities under contract with CDSS to provide NVRA-related services in connection with the CalFresh Program

#### State-Funded Agencies Primarily Serving Persons with Disabilities

County welfare departments which accept applications and administer benefits for In-Home Supportive Services Program, including, if any, private entities under contract with these county welfare department offices to provide NVRA-related services

Offices of the State Department of Rehabilitation, which provide vocational rehabilitation services, including, if any, private entities under contract with these offices to provide NVRA-related services

Independent Living Centers, including, if any, private entities under contract with Independent Living Centers to provide NVRA-related services

Department of Developmental Services Regional Centers, including, if any, private entities under contract with the Department of Developmental Services Regional Centers to provide NVRA-related services

Offices of contractors with the Department of Social Services, Office of Deaf Access, which provide services to the deaf

Department of Social Services, Office of Services to the Blind, Assistance Dog Special Allowance Program, including, if any, private entities under contract with this office to provide NVRA-related services

State and County Mental Health Providers, including, if any, private entities under contract with these State and County Mental Health Providers to provide NVRA-related services

University of California, offices for students with disabilities, including, if any, private entities under contract with these offices to provide NVRA-related services

California State University, offices for students with disabilities, including, if any, private entities under contract with these offices to provide NVRA-related services

California Community Colleges, offices for students with disabilities, including, if any, private entities under contract with these offices to provide NVRA-related services

#### **Armed Forces Recruitment Offices**

### Other Agencies

Franchise Tax Board offices, which provide public access for income tax instructions and assistance, including, if any, private entities under contract with these offices to provide NVRA-related services

California Department of Tax and Fee Administration offices, which provide services to the public, including, if any, private entities under contract with these offices to provide NVRA-related services

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto, set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of California, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020.

ALEX PADILLA Secretary of State