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November 20th, 2019

Candace J. Grubbs
Butte County Clerk-Recorder
155 Nelson Avenue
Oroville, CA 95965

RE: Submission of Voter's Choice Act Election Administration Plan

Dear Ms. Grubbs:

Thank you for the submission of your election administration plan pursuant to the California Voter's Choice Act (VCA) on November 5th. In accordance to Section 4005 (a)(IO)(I)(i) of the Elections Code my office has 14 days to approve, approve with modifications, or reject the voter education and outreach provisions of the election administration plan.

I am writing to inform you that the Office of the Secretary of State has approved your election administration plan with the following modifications.

Please modify your plan with the following:

- Move the budget comparison from Appendix E to the main body of the EAP and include an estimate of the 2020 outreach expenses.
- Clarify that you will provide at least two direct contacts with voters for purposes of informing voters and in what form these contacts will be in.
- Clarify that your office will be providing individual language workshops for the Spanish speaking community and the Hmong speaking community.

After you have made these modifications, translated the document, and have an accessible formatted version of your EAP, please submit these to me for posting on our website.

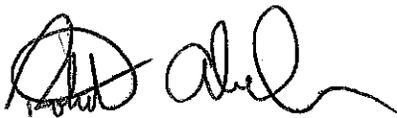
The VCA does not give the Secretary of State the authority to approve, approve with modifications or reject your education and outreach plan based on the suggestions below. However, upon review of feedback we have received, we encourage you to:

- Include the 800-894-7761 toll-free voter hotline when it is referenced.
- Include the year the voting system was procured.

- Clarify which specific language minority media will be used for PSAs and for notification to language minority communities.
- Include which community groups you have already worked with or plan to work with for this election cycle on continual outreach.

Ms. Grubbs, thank you for your leadership and your commitment to increasing voter participation. I commend you and your staff on prioritizing the needs of the voters of Butte County during this period of regional recovery.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions and I look forward to continuing to work with your office for the implementation of the VCA.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Abelon, Jr.', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Robert A. Abelon, Jr.
Deputy Secretary of State for Policy and Planning
Office of California Secretary of State Alex Padilla