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Board of Elections Releases List of Inactive Records Removed from Voter Registration List

WASHINGTON, D.C. — In an ongoing effort to maintain the integrity and accuracy of its voter registry, the District of Columbia Board of Elections (DCBOE) today published a list of 22,557 inactive voter records.

After each general election, as part of its statutory biennial address confirmation program, DCBOE mails a non-forwardable postcard to each registered voter who did not confirm their address through voting in the election. If the United States Postal Service returns the postcard as undeliverable or with an address that is outside of the District, the voter's record is made inactive. The inactive voter is then sent a forwardable notice outlining the steps that the voter must take to remain eligible to vote.

If the inactive voter does not respond to this notice and does not vote before the second general election that occurs after the date of the notice, the voter shall be removed from the voter registry. Each of the inactive voters on the list meets the criteria for removal. Accordingly, they may be removed from the District's voter registry in accordance with law.

DCBOE fulfilled all legal requirements of the National Voter Registration Act (NVRA) with respect to these records, and public notice of their removal is not required. However, DCBOE is publishing the list on its website to encourage individuals whose names appear on the list to update their voter registration if they are, in fact, still eligible to vote in the District.

The list, available online at www.dcboe.org, contains the name, ward number, zip code, registration year, year of last ballot cast, and year made inactive for each previously registered voter who:

Has not voted in any primary, special, or general election in the District since at least November 2010;

AND

Has not responded to notices mailed after the November 2010 General Election;

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Has not submitted a voter registration update notification to DCBOE or any other District voter registration agency since the November 2010 General Election;

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Has had notices to their address of residence returned to DCBOE by the U.S. Postal Service as undeliverable.

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DCBOE encourages the individuals whose names appear on the list and who wish to participate in District elections to update their registration by no later than Tuesday, March 20, 2018, the date on which inactive records will be removed from the voter registry. After that date, these individuals will need to re-register to participate in District elections.

District residents may register to vote in person at DCBOE's office, online at www.dcboe.org, through DCBOE's mobile app at Vote4DC (iOS and Android), and by mail (download application at https://www.dcboe.org/pdf_files/Mail_VRForm_eng.pdf).

Applications submitted online, through the mobile app, or by mail must be received by Tuesday, May 29, 2018, to be effective before the Tuesday, June 19, 2018, Primary Election. After that date, District residents are encouraged to register at the polls during early voting (June 4 – June 15) or on Election Day. Same-day registrants (those who register at the polls) must provide valid proof of residence at the time of voting to cast a regular ballot. Valid proof of residence includes current government photo ID, utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, government document or check, lease or rental agreement, homeless shelter occupancy statement, or school tuition or housing bill listing their current address.

If a same-day registrant does not provide proper proof of residence at the time of voting, they will be required to cast a special ballot, which will only be counted if DCBOE verifies that the voter meets all qualifications and has provided proper proof of residence by the 2nd day after the election.

The District of Columbia Board of Elections is the independent agency of the District government responsible for the administration of elections, ballot access, and voter registration.

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