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N.J.S.A. 19:61-9: AUDITS OF ELECTION RESULTS November 7, 2023

General Election Audit Date: November 21, 2023

The Middlesex County Board of Elections (BOE) performed a post-election audit consistent with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:61-9 and the guidelines promulgated by the New Jersey Secretary of State's Office on Monday, November 20th, and Tuesday, November 21st. The BOE conducted a hand-to-eye count of the voter-verifiable paper records for the November 7, 2023, General Election for the offices of the State Senate, State Assembly, Middlesex County Commissioners, and local mayor and/or council contests. The County Commissioners, Board of Education elections and public questions were excluded from the audit.

Pursuant to the statute, "the audit shall be conducted in at least 2% of the election districts in which each audited election appears on the ballot." The guidelines provided for this audit requires 2% of audit units if there are 100 or more election districts within the legislative district; or 2 audit units if there are fewer than 100 election districts within the legislative district to be randomly selected.

Audit units included: voter verified paper audit trails from each voting machine, vote by mail ballots by municipality / ward; and provisional ballots by municipality / ward.

As provided for in the statute, the following audit units were randomly selected for audit on Monday, November 20, 2023, at 2:00 pm at a publicly noticed meeting:

| Legislative District | Ballot Type | Batch # or Machine # | Municipality | Total Ballots |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| 12 th LD | Mail-In-Ballots | C0026 | Old Bridge | 1 |
| 12 th LD | Mail-In Ballots | B0060 | Old Bridge | 35 |
| 14 th LD | Mail-In-Ballots | C0010 | Monroe | 334 |
| 14 th LD | Mail-In-Ballots | C0060 | Monroe | 281 |
| 14 th LD | Voting Machine | 1451 | Plainsboro | 57 |
| 16 th LD | Mail-In-Ballots | D0016 | South Brunswick | 213 |
| 16 th LD | Voting Machine | 1699 | South Brunswick | 155 |
| 17 th LD | Mail-In-Ballots | C0052 | North Brunswick | 71 |
| 17 th LD | Voting Machine | 1399 | Piscataway | 240 |
| 18 th LD | Mail-In-Ballots | B0027 | East Brunswick | 190 |

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| 18 th LD | Mail-In Ballots | B0054 | Highland Park | 148 |
| 18 th LD | Machine Votes | B0060 | South Plainfield, South River | 35 |
| 18 th LD | Mail-In-Ballots | D0066 | South Plainfield, South River | 48 |
| 19 th LD | Mail-In-Ballots | A0035 | Woodbridge | 61 |
| 19 th LD | Mail-In-Ballots | B0061 | Woodbridge | 201 |
| 19 th LD | Voting Machine | 1606 | Woodbridge | 96 |
| 19 th LD | Mail-In-Ballots | B0050 | Carteret | 8 |
| 22 nd LD | Voting Machine | 1186 | Middlesex | 167 |
| 22 nd LD | Voting Machine | 1190 | Middlesex | 177 |

In each district, the hand to eye audit was 100% consistent with the machine tally. The audit did not result in a change in the number of votes counted for any candidate. The voting machines do not allow overvotes. Any paper ballot which contained an overvote for a particular contest recorded it as an overvote and did not count a vote. Undervotes were recorded by the vote tabulation system and were reconciled during the audit.

Respectfully Submitted on November 22, 2023, by:



THOMAS LYNCH
Administrator