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Media Alert

**ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUESTS MUST BE CURRENT WITH THE
SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS OFFICE**

The Indian River County Supervisor of Elections would like to inform absentee voters that their absentee ballot request with the Elections Office may have expired. In 2010, Florida Statute 101.62 previously stated that supervisor of elections shall accept a request for an absentee ballot from an elector which is valid for a specific election or for all elections through the next regularly scheduled general election. All absentee requests on file prior to May 28, 2010 expired after the General Election in November of 2010.

In effort to reach out to the voters whose absentee ballot requests have expired, the Supervisor of Elections office has notified all voters who are eligible to vote in the upcoming Municipal Elections that they must update their absentee ballot request with the Elections Office. Leslie Swan, Supervisor of Elections, said, "Our office mailed over 2,200 postcards to inform voters who reside in the Cities of Fellsmere, Sebastian and Vero Beach, who previously voted by absentee ballot in the past Municipal Elections, that they have dropped off of the absentee ballot request list.

Voters may contact the Elections Office and request an absentee ballot in person, by mail, on the SOE website, or by calling (772) 226-3440. Voters must remember to sign the voter certificate on the backside of the absentee ballot return envelope. It is important that the signature on the absentee ballot certificate matches the signature that the Elections Office has on the voter's record. Since it is common for signatures to change throughout the years, voters are encouraged to update their signature by submitting a voter registration application and checking the "signature update" box.

The Indian River County Supervisor of Elections office is currently mailing absentee ballots for the November 8, 2011 Municipal Elections and will continue mailing absentee ballots upon request, as long as, the request is received by the deadline - Wednesday, November 2, 2011 by 5:00 p.m.

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Voted absentee ballots must be received by the Elections Office by Election Day, Tuesday, November 8, 2011 no later than 7:00 p.m. Any ballots received after Election Day will not be counted even if they are postmarked on November 8, 2011. Voters can visit the Indian River County Supervisor of Election's website at www.voteindianriver.com to check the status of their absentee ballot request or they may contact the Elections Office at 772-226-3440 to confirm this information.