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Media Alert

NOVEMBER 2, 2011 IS THE LAST DAY TO REQUEST ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Leslie Swan, Supervisor of Elections for Indian River County, reminds all registered voters in the cities of Fellsmere, Sebastian and Vero Beach, that they have until 5 p.m. on November 2, 2011 to request delivery of an absentee ballot.

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 return mailing 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. Absentee ballots cannot be forwarded by the U.S. Post Office, nor can they be held at the post office, so it is important that you provide the Elections Office with your correct mailing address.

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.

Supervisor Swan reminds voters that Florida law allows any qualified voters to request an absentee ballot. This makes voting by mail accessible and convenient for all who choose to participate. All voted absentee ballots will be canvassed despite closeness of the race.