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Media Alert

ELECTIONS OFFICE BEGINS INITIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT MAILING

Indian River County, FL – Indian River County voters should be on the lookout for their absentee ballot. On Wednesday, October 1st the Supervisor of Elections Office sent their initial mailing of 14,847 ballots to domestic voters for the November 4th General Election.

All registered voters are eligible to vote by absentee ballot. Absentee ballots may be requested online, in person, by phone, fax, mail, or email. Call (772) 226-3440 or visit www.voteindianriver.com and click "Request Absentee Ballot". Supervisor of Elections Leslie Swan reminds voters to make sure that the address on file with the Elections Office is the address where they wish to have their ballot mailed. By law, absentee ballots cannot be forwarded and can only be delivered to the address on file with the Elections Office.

The deadline to request an absentee ballot to be delivered by mail for the General Election is 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 29, 2014. After October 29th, voters may pick up an absentee ballot at the Elections Office, located at 4375 43rd Avenue in Vero Beach. On Election Day, voters must vote at their assigned voting precinct.

Once voted, the ballot must be placed in the official return envelope provided, and the voter must sign the voter certificate on the backside of the envelope. Voted absentee ballots may be returned to the Elections Office in person or by mail. Voters can track the status of their absentee ballot at VoteIndianRiver.com by clicking "Track My Absentee Ballot" on the homepage. All voted absentee ballots must be received by the Elections Office no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day in order to be counted.

Florida law requires 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.

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