Bergen County Board of Elections

N.J.S.A. 19:61-9: AUDIT OF ELECTION RESULTS
2020 GENERAL ELECTION
AUDIT DATE: Monday, NOVEMBER 30, 2020

The Bergen County Board of Elections performed an audit consistent with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:61-9.

The Board conducted a hand count of the mail in and provisionals from the 2020 General Election for US President/Vice President, US Senate, US House of Representative and Bergen County Freeholder contests. Local council, board of education 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.” Bergen County contains 3 Congressional Districts.

The following batches were randomly selected for audit:

1. 5th Congressional District: Box 197 - Batch G0012 – Bergenfield
2. 5th Congressional District: Box 8 - Batch A0013 – Wyckoff
3. 5th Congressional District: Box 429 - Batch G0031 – River Edge
4. 5th Congressional District: Box 452 - Batch I0051 – Teaneck
5. 5th Congressional District: Box 393 - Batch G0040 – Glen Rock
6. 5th Congressional District: Box 400 - Batch G0001 – Emerson
7. 5th Congressional District: Box 446 - Batch H0009 – Closter
8. 5th Congressional District: Box 168 - Batch H0058 – Allendale
9. 5th Congressional District: Box 407 - Batch G0024 – Dumont
10. 5th Congressional District: Box 397 - Batch G0050 – Oakland
11. 5th Congressional District: Box 32 - Batch C0017 – Saddle River
12. 5th Congressional District: Box 418 - Batch H0027 – Oakland
13. 5th Congressional District: Box 6 - Batch B0015 – Woodcliff Lake
14. 5th Congressional District: Box 453 - Batch I0023 – Old Tappan
15. 5th Congressional District: Box 116 - Batch F0004 – Glen Rock
16. 5th Congressional District: Box 137 - Batch I0009 – Haworth
17. 5th Congressional District: Box 90 - Batch B0013 – Oradell
18. 5th Congressional District: Box 55 - Batch B0054– Ridgewood
19. 5th Congressional District: Box 452 - Batch I0052 – Teaneck
20. 5th Congressional District: Box 419 - Batch G0050 – Dumont
21. 5th Congressional District: Box 406 - Batch H0001 – Fair Lawn
22. 5th Congressional District: Box 25 - Batch A0010 – River Vale
23. 5th Congressional District: Box 433 - Batch H0005 – Hackensack
24. 5th Congressional District: Box 336 - Batch G0034 – HoHoKus
25. 5th Congressional District: Box 100 - Batch B0054 – Hackensack
26. 5th Congressional District: Box 464 - Batch I0007 – Fairview
The hand count of the 42 batches showed there was a 99.98% accuracy rate to the machine count of the same ballots. Any paper ballot which contained an overvote for a particular contest recorded as an overvote, but did not count as a vote. The audit did not tally under or overvotes. However, a post audit review of the ballots cast, votes cast, overvotes and undervotes recorded were all reconciled.

Batch I0052 resulted in a 2 additional votes for Josh Gottheimer for the House of Representatives. These 2 additional votes were added to the total for Josh Gottheimer and will be recertified.

Respectfully Submitted on December 9, 2020 by:

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Chairwoman