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N.J.S.A. 19:61-9: AUDITS OF ELECTION RESULTS November 8, 2022

General Election Audit Date: November 29, 2022

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 Tuesday, November 29th. The BOE conducted a hand-to-eye count of the voter-verifiable paper records for the November 8, 2022, General Election for the offices of United States House of Representatives, State Legislative District 12, Middlesex County Sheriff, and local mayor 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. In total, there were 1090 audit units created.

There are two congressional districts in Middlesex County: thew New Jersey $6^{\rm th}$ Congressional District and the New Jersey $12^{\rm th}$ Congressional District. A 2% audit of the units for the $6^{\rm th}$ Congressional District required 12 batches to be audited. 2% of the audit units for the $12^{\rm th}$ Congressional District required 9 batches to be audited.

As provided for in the statute, the following audit units were randomly selected for audit on Tuesday, November 28, 2022, at 2:00 pm at a publicly noticed meeting:

Cong. District	Ballot Type	Batch # or Machine #	Municipality	Total Ballots
6th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	B0064	South Plainfield	301
6th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	C0016	Edison	290
6th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	C0019	Carteret, Metuchen	184
6th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	G0015	Edison	284
6th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	G0049	Perth Amboy	56
6th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	G0056	Edison	88
6th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	G0057	Edison	78
6th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	G0059	Edison, Piscataway, and Woodbridge	287
6th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	G0063	Piscataway	307
6th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	G0089	Edison, Highland Park	313

Cong. District	Ballot Type	Batch # Machine #	Municipality	Total Ballots
6th CD	Machine Votes	machine # 1593	Woodbridge	278
6th CD	Machine Votes	machine # 1583	Woodbridge	185
Cong. District	Ballot Type	Batch # Machine #	Municipality	Total Ballots
12th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	B0080	East Brunswick, Jamesburg, Middlesex Borough, Old Bridge, Plainsboro, and South Brunswick	76
12th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	B0070	Plainsboro	232
12th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	C0053	Monroe	206
12th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	C0023	Dunellen, Milltown	339
12th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	B0029	North Brunswick	202
12th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	B0038	Jamesburg	50
12th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	C0054	Cranbury, Dunellen, East Brunswick, Helmetta, Jamesburg, Middlesex Borough, Milltown, and North Brunswick	176
12th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	D0004	East Brunswick	223
12th CD	Mail-In-Ballots	C0029	Monroe	310

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 for overvotes. Any paper ballot which contained an overvote for a particular contest recorded it as an overvote but did not count a vote. Undervotes were recorded by the vote tabulation system and were reconciled during the audit.

Respectfully Submitted on November 30, 2022, by:

THOMAS LYNCH Administrator

Middlesex County Board of Elections