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JUNE 22ND SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION IN 15TH STATE SENATE DISTRICT UNDERWAY

Voting in the June 22nd Special Primary Election, to fill the vacancy, in the 15th State Senate District, is underway.

The Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters has mailed Sample Ballot and Voter Information Pamphlets to over 114,000, voters who are eligible to vote in this election. Ballots have also been mailed to over 83,000 or 73% of the voters.

The 15th State Senate District covers areas within the county such as Los Gatos, Morgan Hill, Saratoga and parts of San Jose and San Martin. The district also spans four other counties.

The vacancy occurred when the Governor and Legislature appointed Abel Maldonado to the Office of Lieutenant Governor. Four candidates are vying for the seat. None of the candidates chose to file a candidate statement; as such, there are no candidate statements in the Sample Ballot and Voter Information Pamphlet.

In this special election, candidates for all political parties, along with candidates who qualified as "Independent" are listed on the same ballot. Voters may vote for any of the candidates regardless of their party affiliation. However, they may only vote for one candidate.

The candidate who receives a majority of all votes cast is elected to the seat. If, however, none of the candidates receive a majority, there will be a runoff election on August 17th.

Voter Registration

The deadline to register or re-register and still be eligible to vote in this election is Monday, June 7th.

Mailed registration forms that are postmarked by June 7th will be accepted. Voters can also return their registration forms in person at the Registrar's Office. For voters' convenience, there is a white 24-hour drop-box located by the flag pole outside the Registrar's Office.

Voters need to re-register only when they move, change their name, or would like to change their political party affiliation. Voters can check if they are registered to vote online at www.sccvote.org

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or by calling toll-free (866) 430-VOTE [8683] 24-hours a day.

Voter registration forms can be found at post offices, public libraries, fire stations, city halls and most local government offices. Registration forms are also available online at www.sccvote.org and at the Registrar's Office, 1555 Berger Drive, Building 2, San Jose.

To register to vote in Santa Clara County, a voter must be at least 18 years old on Election Day, a U.S. citizen, and a Santa Clara County resident. They may not be in prison or on parole for a felony.

Vote by Mail

Voters who would like to request a Vote by Mail ballot, through the mail, still have time to do so. The deadline is 5 p.m., Tuesday, June 15th (postmarks are not accepted).

Vote by Mail applications are available on the back cover of the Sample Ballot & Voter Information Pamphlet and online at www.sccvote.org. Voters can also sign up to Vote by Mail permanently and automatically receive their ballots by mail before every election.

Vote by Mail voters who are returning their ballots in a white return envelope with a purple stripe, will need to apply 44 cents postage. Voters who are returning their ballots in a yellow return envelope are in a mail ballot precinct and do not need to pay postage.

For more information, contact the Registrar of Voters' Office at:

Toll Free:	(866) 430-VOTE [8683]	Spanish:	(408) 282-3095
English:	(408) 299-VOTE [8683]	Vietnamese:	(408) 282-3097
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