COUNTY ELECTION INTEGRITY COMPLIANCE REPORT

Submitted Pursuant to Act 88 of 2022, Pennsylvania Election Code Section 1603-A.

The County Board of Elections of Clarion County ("Board") has conducted an internal review of Board practices, and certifies to the Department of State that the County complies with each of the following statutory requirements:

- Approval of voter registration applications under 25 Pa.C.S. § 1328(a) (relating to approval of voter registration applications).
- Voter removal programs under 25 Pa.C.S. § 1901(b)(1) and (3) (relating to removal of electors).
- Safe keeping of voted ballots under sections 1308(a) (25 P.S. § 3146.8(a)) and 1113-A (25 P.S. § 3031.13(f)).
- Enforcing the voter identification provisions of sections 1302.2(b) (25 P.S. §3146.2b) and 1302.2-D (25 P.S. § 3150.12b).
- Pre-canvassing and canvassing of absentee ballots and mail-in ballots under section 1308 (25 P.S. § 3146.8).

The Board of Elections of Clarion County (or the body having the same legal responsibilities under home rule or other approved form of government), hereby approves this certification, submitted not later than September 24, 2022.

Date

[Signatures]

COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
MEMORANDUM

September 7, 2022

To: Clarion County Commissioners/Board of Elections

From: Cindy L. Callihan, Director of Elections

Subject: County Election Integrity Compliance Report

Under Act 88 (2022), by September 24, 2022, Clarion County must conduct an internal review of practices and certify to the Department of State that the County fully complies with seven specific statutes. Our compliance evaluation follows:

Approval Of Voter Registration Applications [25 Pa.C.S. § 1328(a)]
Clarion County follows all requirements associated with the processing of registrations, including checking applications for completeness, that the applicant is qualified (based on the representations made on the application), and whether the individual is an existing registrant in Pennsylvania.

Cancellation Of Deceased Electors (25 Pa.C.S. § 1505)
Clarion County cancels the registration of all individuals reported dead by the Department of Health. The County also utilizes newspaper obituaries and testamentary letter (accompanied by a death record or obituary). These removals are conducted in compliance with all federal and state laws.

Voter Removal Programs [25 Pa.C.S. § 1901(b)(1) and (3)]
Clarion County conducts annual efforts to identify registered voters who may have changed address. We utilize the ERIC mailings, which cover National Change of Address moves. The County also has a five-year notice program, where we remove from the rolls individuals who have not voted during a five-year period and have not provided the County with information that they still live at the same address. This program is conducted in compliance with the National Voter Registration Act (NVRA).

Safe Keeping of Vo:ed Ballots [25 P.S. § 3146.8(a) and 25 P.S. § 3031.13(f)]
All absentee and mail-in ballots are kept locked in a separate room from the election office from the time they are received by the Election Office until they are canvassed.

All ballots cast in polling locations are held in a hard ballot box that is locked and is sealed. Zip tie seals are used and documented on the security seal form. The seals are inventoried prior to election so that the County can audit whether the ballot box was sealed with the correct seal. Security seal form is also signed and acknowledged by the Judge of Election.

Enforcing the Voter Identification [25 P.S. §3146.2b and 25 P.S. § 3150.12b]
The County verifies proof of identification for all mail-in and absentee voters. If a voter does not provide the correct identification, the County contacts the voter and requests such identification.

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