## MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2023 AT 1:30 P.M. 42 BROADWAY, 6<sup>th</sup> FLOOR, COMMISSIONERS' HEARING ROOM NEW YORK, NY 10004

PRESENT: President Simon Shamoun

Secretary Rodney L. Pepe-Souvenir

Commissioners Jose M. Araujo, Michael J. Coppotelli, Carol R. Edmead, Gino A. Marmorato, Jodi Morales, Frederic M. Umane

Michael J. Ryan, Executive Director Georgea Kontzamanis, Operations Manager Michael Corbett, Administrative Manager Hemalee J. Patel, General Counsel Raphael Savino, Deputy General Counsel Steven B. Denkberg, Counsel to the Commissioners Kenneth Moltner, Counsel to the Commissioners

Mr. Ryan opened the meeting and introduced the newly appointed Administrative Manager, Michael Corbett to the Board.

Mr. Ryan announced that today is National Voter Registration Day, and anyone monitoring today's proceedings was encouraged to register to vote.

President Shamoun requested that Executive Management post the information about National Voter Registration Day on the Board's social media platforms to communicate to the public their ability to register to vote through our

office. Ms. Kontzamanis stated that she will post the information.

Mr. Ryan continued with item #1 of the meeting agenda, the approval of the minutes of the August 29, 2023 Commissioners Meeting.

Hearing no objections, the minutes of the August 29, 2023 Commissioners Meeting were adopted.

Mr. Ryan continued with item #2 of the meeting agenda, an Update on the September 12, 2023 Queens Special Election, for the 27<sup>th</sup> Assembly District.

Mr. Ryan provided the following update:

- The election was conducted last Tuesday, on September 12, 2023.
- Without Affidavit and Absentee numbers fully included, approximately
   4,107 New Yorkers voted, which includes both Election Day and Early
   Voting.
- 22 Election Day Poll Sites were open, and 3 Early Voting Poll Sites.
- 1,377 pieces of equipment were distributed.
- Accessibility equipment was installed at 12 Poll Sites to meet ADA

compliance.

- 531 Poll Workers worked on Election Day.
- A total of 842 voters either used the fast pass tag or the wallet during
   Early Voting or Election Day to check in and vote.
- There were 5 Affidavit ballots.
- Absentee ballots included:
  - 1214 mailed out, plus 2 accessible ballots.
  - 714 received back, with one accessible ballot.
  - 470 have been canvassed and marked valid.
  - 201 have been marked preliminarily invalid.
  - 22 Cure notices have been mailed out.
     To date, 10 are still outstanding with the latest return date thus far being September 26, 2023.
- Post election preparations began once the polls closed and are ongoing.
- Today is the last day to receive absentee ballots by mail, and the last day to receive military ballots is September 25, 2023.
- The goal remains, to certify the election on September 26, 2023.

This concluded the update on the September 12, 2023 Queens Special Election, for the 27<sup>th</sup> Assembly District.

Commissioner Coppotelli moved to adjourn the open meeting and convene an Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. President Shamoun seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

Mr. Ryan asked that the Commissioners set the next meeting date for Tuesday, September 26, 2023, with the expectation that the certification will be conducted on that date.

Commissioner Umane moved to set the date of the next meeting for Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 1:30 P.M. President Shamoun seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

Following the Executive Session, the open meeting resumed.

During the Executive Session, the following actions were taken by the unanimous decision of the Board of Commissioners:

- 1. Philip Kebreau, a Voting Machine Technician was granted 210 hours of an advance of sick time. The effective date of this grant is September 11, 2023. Mr. Kebreau's agency start date is July 17, 2011.
- Jillian Rose, a Financial Clerk was granted 210 hours of an advance of sick time. The effective date of this grant is September 21, 2023. Ms.
   Rose's agency start date is July 14, 2019.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next stated meeting of the Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 1:30 P.M.