

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-_____
RESOLUTION OF THE MARIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SUPPORTING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CALIFORNIA VOTER'S CHOICE ACT
FOR THE 2022 STATEWIDE PRIMARY ELECTION

WHEREAS, the State of California enacted Senate Bill 450 in 2016—the California Voter's Choice Act (VCA)—authorizing elections to be conducted by all vote-by-mail balloting and allowing for the establishment of vote centers; and,

WHEREAS, the number of voters choosing to register as permanent vote-by-mail has steadily increased since 2006 and is now more than 80 percent of all registered voters in the County, and the number of ballots cast using a vote-by-mail ballot continues to increase; and,

WHEREAS, every registered voter will receive a vote-by-mail ballot packet starting 29 days before an election; and,

WHEREAS, the number of vote centers and ballot drop off locations is determined by the number of registered voters on the 88th day before an election; and,

WHEREAS, vote centers will be equipped with technology to securely access voter registration files for immediate verification of voting activity; and,

WHEREAS, voters will be able to vote at any vote center during the entire 11-day voting period, thus increasing flexibility and convenience for voters; and,

WHEREAS, voters will be allowed to use any vote center for special services, such as returning, or voting and returning, their vote-by-mail ballot; registering to vote or updating their voter registration; receiving and voting a provisional ballot; receiving a replacement ballot; voting a regular, provisional, or replacement ballot using accessible voting equipment that provides for a private and independent voting experience; and,

WHEREAS, the county elections official will develop a draft plan in consultation with the public for the administration of elections conducted pursuant to VCA.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin supports and hereby adopts the California Voter's Choice Act and the vote center model for elections in Marin County beginning with the Statewide Primary Election in June 2022, and authorizes the Registrar of Voters to perform all activities required to implement the Act.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin held on this ____ day of _____ 2021, by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS

NOES:

ABSENT:

PRESIDENT, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:

CLERK

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