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Los Angeles County Registrar Addresses Allegations of Voter Interference with Seniors in Koreatown

LOS ANGELES – The Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) has been made aware of a television news story which alleged that a woman collected signed Vote by Mail ballots from a group of Korean seniors living in an apartment building in Los Angeles. The news story reported that the woman told the group of seniors that she would fill out incomplete ballots for them or turn in completed ballots on their behalf.

"My office has reached out to investigative authorities to look into what was reported and we are seeking additional information," said Los Angeles County Registrar Dean Logan. "We take reports of this type of activity very seriously, as even the appearance of interference can erode trust in the elections process."

The RR/CC encourages all voters to return their Vote by Mail ballot safely and securely by dropping their ballot in a US Postal mailbox, by placing it in one of the 400+ Official Vote by Mail Ballot Drop Boxes throughout LA County or returning their ballot to any Vote Center as early as 10 days before and on Election Day.

The <u>How to Return Your Ballot</u> flyer has been produced and translated in <u>Korean</u> and 11 additional languages to inform and remind voters of the available options for returning voted ballots. "It is important for voters to protect the security of their vote by relying only on options they trust to return their ballot," said Logan.

Voters are encouraged to report any suspicious activity related to ballot collection or interference to the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk at 1-800-815-2666 (option 5) or by email to <u>voterinfo@rrcc.lacounty.gov</u>.

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