Final Registration Numbers Show
Decline-to-State Voters at All-time High

SACRAMENTO – Secretary of State Debra Bowen today released the final Report of
Registration for the November 2, 2010, General Election showing a record high 3.5 million
voters have declined to state their party preference. The report also shows that nearly 300,000
Californians have registered to vote since September 3, bringing the state’s total number of
registered voters to nearly 17.3 million, up from 15.8 million at this same time four years ago.

The report reflects updates to voter registration rolls in California’s 58 counties, including the
removal of registrants who have passed away, moved out of state, or have been determined to be
ineligible to vote, as well as the addition of new registrants.

The registration report shows 3,500,696 or 20.3 percent of voters have declined to join a political
party. These numbers are greater than the previous record raw-number high of 3,465,345, set in
February 2009, and the previous record percentage high of 20.18 percent, set in January 2010.
Since the close of registration in the 2006 General Election, the percentage of eligible people
registered to vote has increased from 69.9 percent to 73.4 percent.

“I am thrilled to see so many people registered to vote for this important election. Now every
person has to take the next, most important step and vote,” said Secretary Bowen, California’s
chief elections officer. “Remember: every single ballot must be turned in by 8:00 p.m. on
Election Day. Postmarks do not count. If you’re a vote-by-mail voter who still has not mailed
your ballot, you should play it safe and deliver it to any polling place in the county in which you
are registered.”

The complete October 18, 2010, Report of Registration can be found on the Secretary of State’s

For a certified list of all candidates in legislative, congressional, judicial and statewide contests,

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By law, statewide voter registration updates must occur 60 and 15 days before each general election, and 154, 60 and 15 days before each primary election. There is one “off-year” update released in February of years with no regularly scheduled statewide election. The registration totals for the six qualified political parties and voters who have declined to state their political affiliation follow.

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<th>Political Party</th>
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<tr>
<td>American Independent</td>
<td>413,032</td>
<td>2.39 %</td>
<td>315,151</td>
<td>1.99 %</td>
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<td>Democratic</td>
<td>7,620,240</td>
<td>44.08 %</td>
<td>6,727,908</td>
<td>42.48 %</td>
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<td>Green</td>
<td>113,835</td>
<td>0.66 %</td>
<td>141,451</td>
<td>0.89 %</td>
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<td>Libertarian</td>
<td>91,111</td>
<td>0.53 %</td>
<td>84,093</td>
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<td>Peace and Freedom</td>
<td>57,776</td>
<td>0.33 %</td>
<td>59,139</td>
<td>0.37 %</td>
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<td>Republican</td>
<td>5,361,875</td>
<td>31.02 %</td>
<td>5,436,314</td>
<td>34.33 %</td>
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<td>Decline to State</td>
<td>3,500,696</td>
<td>20.25 %</td>
<td>2,968,489</td>
<td>18.74 %</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous</td>
<td>127,318</td>
<td>0.74 %</td>
<td>104,563</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td><strong>17,285,883</strong></td>
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<td><strong>15,837,108</strong></td>
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Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. For more information visit [www.sos.ca.gov/elections](http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections).

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