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Secretary of State Alex Padilla Encourages Californians to Register to Vote for the June 5 Statewide Primary

SACRAMENTO – The June 5, 2018, Statewide Direct Primary is only weeks away, and California Secretary of State Alex Padilla is urging citizens to register to vote.

“If you’ve moved, changed your name, or want to change your political party preference, you’ll need to update your voter registration,” said Secretary of State Alex Padilla. “California citizens can quickly and easily update registration information online at RegisterToVote.ca.gov. If you are unsure of your voter registration status, you can verify your information online quickly and easily using the Secretary of State’s My Voter Status tool at voterstatus.sos.ca.gov.”

“If you want your voice heard in our democracy, the first step is registering to vote. Register today, and seize your opportunity to vote in the upcoming election,” Padilla added.

Voter Registration Deadline and Conditional Voter Registration

May 21 is the deadline to register to vote or update voter registration information for the June 5, 2018 Statewide Direct Primary if you want to vote at your regular polling place or vote by mail. However, there is a new safety net for voters. California citizens who do not register or update their voter registration information by the May 21 deadline, have a new option called conditional voter registration.

Eligible citizens who miss the May 21 deadline can go to their county elections office or a designated satellite location to register and vote. Their ballots will be counted once the county office has completed the voter registration verification process. Voters can complete the conditional voter registration process from May 22 all the way through Election Day on June 5.

Special Note: Voters in Madera, Napa, Nevada, Sacramento, and San Mateo counties can access conditional voter registration at any Vote Center in their county. These counties are adopting the Voter’s Choice Act, to learn more visit: <http://voterschoice.sos.ca.gov>

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