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County of Sussex

During the afternoon of Thursday, September 10, 2020, the Sussex County Board of Elections discovered that a number of mail-in ballots had not been counted during the primary election of July 7, 2020. The ballots were located in a secure area at the Board of Elections office. The Board investigated the matter and determined that 1,666 ballots had been placed in a bin that was mislabeled. The Board consulted with counsel, notified the New Jersey State Attorney General's office and upon their direction, counted the votes cast on Saturday, September 12, 2020. The Board provided the results of the count later the same day to the Sussex County Clerk's office for certification. Notice of the meeting to canvass the ballots was provided to the press, the Chairs of the Democratic and Republican County Clerk, and other persons.

The Board of Elections is confident that all ballots received have been processed and the security of all the ballots has remained in place. The revised, final results of the primary election are to be posted on the Sussex County Clerk's website at https://sussexcountyclerk.org/. The revised count did not change the outcome of any Sussex County primary election in any race for any office, Republican or Democrat.

September 12, 2020