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VIA E-MAIL

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Dear Mr. Duke,

We are in receipt of your letter of August 5, 2020 requesting compliance with N.Y. Elec. Law § 8-600.

As an initial matter, we must reject any suggestion that the Westchester County Board of Elections ("WCBOE)") has tried to "confuse the public" regarding early voting. Indeed, Westchester County early voting rates are among the best in New York State, a fact of which the WCBOE is proud.

Without waiving any rights, and in response to your request, please allow this letter to serve as written confirmation that, as mandated by § 8-600(3), all eligible voters registered in Westchester County will be able to vote at any early voting poll site in Westchester County for future elections, including throughout the early voting period for the upcoming November 2020 election.

The WCBOE is ensuring that its communication plan complies with § 8-600(5) by informing eligible voters of the opportunity to vote early, as well as publicizing:

- the location and dates and hours of operation of all polling places for early voting;
- an indication of whether each polling place is accessible to voters with physical disabilities; and
- a clear and unambiguous notice to voters that if they cast a ballot during the early voting period they will not be allowed to vote election day.

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The WCBOE will provide a copy of its communications to voters.

Sincerely,

Reginald A. LaFayette

Commissioner

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