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Colusa County Clerk-Recorder Registrar Launches Elections Security Educational Campaign

Colusa County is Committed to a Safe, Secure Local Elections Process

(COLUSA, CA) August 20, 2024 — Earlier today, Cristy Edwards, Colusa County Clerk-Recorder Registrar, provided an update on the local elections process before the Colusa County Board of Supervisors. Colusa County is steadfastly committed to upholding the integrity of its elections process, ensuring that every vote is counted accurately and securely. Today's presentation included a thorough walk-through of the overall elections process, and highlighted the stringent security measures, transparent procedures, and rigorous auditing practices in place to guarantee a fair and trustworthy electoral system.

"I recognize that now, more than ever, there are concerns around the integrity of the local elections process," said Edwards. "It is important for me to let Colusa County residents know that our office prioritizes transparency, and I am proud of the efforts we've put in place to maintain a safe, secure, and timely counted election process. We understand that it is our responsibility to instill confidence in the safety and security of local elections."

In addition to providing updates before the Board of Supervisors, the Colusa County Elections Division has also launched an <u>educational video</u> that provides an overview of the local elections process, walking viewers through the life cycle of a ballot, and is rolling out a robust social media campaign in September. Both the video and forthcoming social media campaign highlight myriad topics, including ballot tracking, mail-in ballots, drop boxes, secure voting, and new security and transparency measures for 2024. The video and social media feeds can both be accessed on the county's redesigned website (<u>countyofcolusaca.gov</u>).

Colusa County invites voters to view the video and follow the educational series. Individuals with additional questions, or those interested in observing ballot counting, are encouraged to call the Colusa County Clerk-Recorder Registrar's office at (877) 458-0501.