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To Whom It May Concern:

State law¹ requires that election officials manually audit a sample of voted ballots. This audit must be performed after each general election.

Prince George's County Board of Elections will conduct the manual ballot audit of the 2024 General Election starting on February 18, 2025, at 10:00am. This audit may take and estimate of 3-4 days to complete and will take place at the Prince George's County Board of Elections, located at 1100 Mercantile Lane, Suite 135, Largo, MD 20774. The audit is open to the public.

Prince George's County Board of Elections will manually tally a sample of votes cast for U.S. Senator and compare the results of the manual tally against the results from the voting system. This process will determine whether the voting system accurately counted ballots during the 2024 General Election.²

The State Board of Elections randomly selected the early voting center and election day precincts to be audited, and Prince George's County Board of Elections randomly selected the mail in and provisional ballots to be audited. Starting on *February 18, 2025*, Prince George's County Board of Elections will manually tally the votes for U.S. Senator on:

- 1. 1,589 ballots cast on *two (2)* scanning unit on the *last day* of early voting at the Life Covenant Christian Ministries.
- 2. 1,657 ballots cast on election day in Precinct 7-009 Non-Traditional Program North, 10-004 Laurel High School and 18-012 Judith P. Hoyer Early Child CTR-GYM
- 3. 2,450 mail-in ballots
- 4. 150 provisional ballots

Sincerely, Wendy N. Honesty-Bey, MBA

¹ See Election Law Article, §11-309 of the Annotated Code of Maryland. This requirement was introduced as House Bill 1278 of the 2018 Legislative Session and is reported as Chapter 523 of the 2018 Laws of Maryland.

² Before the 2024 General Election was certified, the State Board of Elections conducted an automated audit of **all** of the ballots cast in the 2024 General Election. The results of this audit confirmed the accuracy of the voting system. The results of the automated audit are at: <u>https://elections.maryland.gov/voting_system/ballot_audit_plan_automated.html</u>