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Harris County Clerk Mails Ballots for the May 29th Primary Elections

Houston, TX –Approximately 17,000 ballots were mailed by the Harris County Clerk’s office on Saturday, April 14th. The mailing is in response to requests for a mail ballot for the May 29th Primary Elections for the Democratic and Republican parties from Harris County voters that qualify to vote by mail, including voters serving in the military or living abroad.

“The Presidential election is the Super Bowl of voting, generating a high level of interest among all voters. I want to ensure that all Harris County qualified voters requesting a mail ballot are actively participating in the process, no matter where they are in the world”, said Harris County Clerk and Chief Election Officer, Stan Stanart.

The first ballots mailed will be by e-mail today to 687 voters. **This option is only available for military and overseas voters.** These voters will print out, sign and return the ballots through the postal system. The process was made available to military and overseas voters in 2009 by Congress via the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment (MOVE) Act.

By law, all requests for a Ballot by Mail for the 2012 Primary elections should be in the County Clerk’s office by May 22.

All voters need to be registered by April 30, 2012 to be eligible to vote in the Democratic and Republican primary elections. Any registered voter is eligible to vote in one of the primary elections.

To obtain a ballot-by-mail application, voters can call the Harris County Clerk’s office at 713.755.6965 from Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or visit www.harrisvotes.com.

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