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**STATEMENT FROM SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY REGARDING
THE PASSING OF REGISTRAR OF VOTERS HEATHER DITTY**

In response to the unexpected passing of San Joaquin County Registrar of Voters Heather Ditty, San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors Chairman Chuck Winn released the following statement:

“On behalf of San Joaquin County and my fellow supervisors, I am deeply saddened to announce that San Joaquin County Registrar of Voters, Heather Ditty, passed away on Saturday morning due to unforeseen health complications. Even though Heather had been with our county family for only six months, she had a profound impact on her staff and our Elections Office. She truly cared about elections and dedicated her life to being a public servant.

During her time with San Joaquin County and her previous 26-year tenure in Sacramento County, she was a gifted leader, beloved civil servant and adored by the election’s community. Countless former colleagues and current staff have shared an outpouring of admiration saying she was kind, funny, outspoken and a true friend and mentor. She gave opportunities to so many people both personally and professionally. It is a great loss to San Joaquin County and she will be tremendously missed.

With the upcoming election on June 7, our Assistant Registrar of Voters, Olivia Hale, has stepped in seamlessly to finalize the excellent work Heather already had put in place. Due to Heather’s leadership, experience, attention to detail, ability to address issues expeditiously, and total commitment to the residents of our county, we are confident this Election Day will run smoothly and efficiently.

We will keep Heather’s family and colleagues in our thoughts and prayers as they go through this difficult time.”

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