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RACINE COUNTY WORKING WITH PARTNERS TO ISSUE CORRECTED ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR CITY OF RACINE

RACINE—The Racine County Clerk’s Office has worked closely with our equipment vendor, ballot printer, and our partners at the City of Racine and Wisconsin Elections Commission, to get corrected ballots (“Ballot B”) for absentee voters in the City of Racine after a ballot omission was identified in the uncontested Municipal Judge race. **This issue affects only absentee voters within the City of Racine that have already been mailed their ballot for the April 7, 2026 Spring Election of who may have voted in-person absentee earlier this week.**

A ballot omission was recently identified involving the uncontested Municipal Judge race. While the race outcome is not affected, election procedures require that impacted absentee voters receive a corrected ballot. All partners are moving as quickly as possible through the required steps to ensure the corrected ballots are accurate, ready, and available for distribution. We encourage voters receiving a “Ballot B” by mail to vote and return them as soon as possible.

Because elections involve multiple checks and balances designed to protect voters and ensure the integrity of every ballot, the process to generate corrected ballots includes several verification and testing stages. These steps are currently underway.

Important Information for Voters:

- Only City of Racine absentee voters who have already been mailed and/or voted an in-person absentee earlier this week are affected.
- A corrected ballot (“Ballot B”) will be mailed directly to these voters who voted by mail as soon as it is available with instructions.
- **Only one ballot per voter can be counted.**
 - Multiple election safeguards ensure that only one ballot per voter is ever tabulated.
 - If a voter returns Ballot B, it replaces their original ballot.
 - If a voter does not return Ballot B, their original Ballot A will still be counted, with no vote recorded for the Municipal Judge race.
- No immediate action is required from voters until Ballot B is received.

The County Clerk’s Office remains committed to maintaining strong election administration. As part of our ongoing responsibility to support secure and reliable elections, we continually review opportunities to strengthen pre-printing verification processes. Going forward, there will be additional requirements for municipal partners to review proofs and submit approvals prior to printing.

Our shared priority is ensuring every eligible voter is able to participate fully and that all ballots are handled in accordance with state law and established election safeguards.

For questions regarding your City of Racine absentee ballots, voters are encouraged to contact the City of Racine Clerk's Office directly.

If voters in other municipalities have questions regarding their ballots, election procedures, etc., please contact your local Municipal Clerk's office.

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