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To the Municipal Clerk:

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Connecticut General Statutes Section 9-433 requires the Secretary of the State to notify the Municipal Clerk of each town within the state or district when a primary is to be held for nomination of a political party's candidate for office.

The statute provides that, "the clerk of each such town shall thereupon cause such notice to be published forthwith in a newspaper having a general circulation in such town, or towns in the case of joint publication under [C.G.S. § 9-433(b)], together with a statement of the date upon which the primary is to be held, the hours during which the polls shall be open, and the location of the polls."

Therefore, we are enclosing a **Notice of Republican and Democratic Primary** for the parties as well as the state and multi-town district offices indicated therein. Additionally enclosed is the suggested form of the statement concerning the date, polling hours, and polling locations for the primary. Not all district offices that are listed on the Notice of Primary apply to your town. Select the offices and candidates that do apply before preparing your statements to be published and ballots to be printed. Also, before publishing the enclosed statements, **you must add any primaries for municipal offices** that you may be having, as determined by your registrars of voters, and complete the statement by filling in the location of the polling places.

If you are having multiple primaries **for the same party**, you **may** publish one consolidated notice for that party. List the endorsed and non-endorsed candidates for each office following the format of the enclosed notices and listing the offices in the order set by C.G.S. § 9-251 and described below. **Separate notices must be published for each party.**

Pursuant to C.G.S. § 9-251, list offices, if applicable, as follows: Governor and Lieutenant Governor, United States senator, representative in Congress, state senator, state representative, Secretary of the State, Treasurer, Comptroller, Attorney General, and judge of probate.

In compliance with C.G.S. § 9-435, you will receive notice of any primary for a municipal office in your town from the party's local Registrar of Voters. In the case of primaries for different municipal offices **within the same party**, a consolidated notice **may** be published if desired. Again, **separate notices must be published for each party.**

Please Note: When preparing ballots, please remember that the order and format must comply with C.G.S. § 9-251 and C.G.S. § 9-437. Also note that the names of the candidates

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are to be printed as they appear, and in the order in which they are listed, in the enclosed notices. The "ballot versions" of the names are legally authorized on candidate filings with this office. Pursuant to C.G.S. § 9-437, **the name of the party-endorsed candidate for each office is to be designated by an asterisk (*) on the ballots.** If there is no party-endorsed candidate, the words "No Party Endorsement" shall appear immediately beneath the office designation at the head of the appropriate vertical office column.

We appreciate your cooperation and assistance.

Sincerely,

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