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## MERRILL: VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINES RAPIDLY APPROACHING FOR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS ON NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>

SECRETARY OF THE STATE REMINDS VOTERS REGISTRATION FORMS MUST BE
POSTMARKED BY TOMORROW, IN-PERSON REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS 8:00
P.M. TUESDAY OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup>

**HARTFORD:** Secretary of the State Denise Merrill today is reminding eligible Connecticut voters that registration deadlines for the upcoming municipal elections on November 5, 2013 are rapidly approaching. Anyone wishing to register to vote by mail must have their forms postmarked no later than tomorrow, Tuesday October 22, 2013 in order to cast a ballot in the upcoming municipal elections. Eligible voters who wish to register in-person may do so at their Registrar of Voters office until 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday October 29<sup>th</sup> to qualify for the municipal elections.

"The municipal elections to decide who will serve in some key decision making roles in your community are approaching very fast, so I urge adult citizens of Connecticut to make sure they are registered now," said Secretary Merrill, Connecticut's chief election official. "Crucial decisions on town and city budgets, schools, infrastructure and environmental policy are facing many towns in our state. Make sure you have a voice by either putting your registration card in the mail by tomorrow or registering to vote inperson at town hall by next Tuesday at 8:00 p.m."

Polls will open statewide from 6:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday November 5, 2013 for municipal elections in the vast majority of Connecticut cities and towns. Absentee ballots are also available, voters can go online to <a href="www.sots.ct.gov">www.sots.ct.gov</a> to download an application for an absentee ballot or a voter registration card, see if they are registered and where their polling place is located and see the ballot for their town and city. Tuesday October 22<sup>nd</sup> is also the last day write-in candidates wishing to run in the Municipal elections can register with the Secretary of the State's office. Registration forms for write-in candidates must be received by the Secretary of the State by 4:00 p.m. tomorrow.