EMERGENCY CERTIFICATION

Whereas, LSA-R.S. 18:401.1 requires the Secretary of State to certify to the Governor that a state of emergency exists that would affect the electoral process.

Whereas, certification is hereby given to Governor Kathleen Babineaux Blanco that a state of emergency exists in the Parishes of Jefferson and Orleans due to Hurricane Katrina .

Whereas, the special primary elections for Judge, Court of Appeal, 5th Circuit, 1st District, Division B; Member of School Board, District 4; and Councilman, District 2, City of Kenner, are scheduled for October 15, 2005 in the Parish of Jefferson.

Whereas, the special general elections for Judge, Court of Appeal, 5th Circuit, 1st District, Division B; Member of School Board, District 4; and Councilman, District 2, City of Kenner, are scheduled for November 12, 2005 in the Parish of Jefferson.

Whereas, special proposition elections for Kingswood Subdivision Improvement District; Twinbrook Security District; and Touro Bouligny Security District have been called for November 12, 2005 in the Parish of Orleans.

Now, Wherefore, Al Ater, in his official capacity as Secretary of State, does hereby recommend that an executive order be issued to delay voting scheduled for October 15, 2005 in the Parish of Jefferson and to delay voting scheduled for November 12, 2005 in the Parishes of Jefferson and Orleans until such time as the elections may be rescheduled.

Signed at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, this 12th of September, 2005.

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