

Voting By Mail Resolutions*

1. Application for Ballot By Mail Integrity

Whereas Section 84 of the Election Code goes into great detail about the contents of and requirements for the Application for Ballot By Mail (ABBM);

Whereas an abbreviated ABBM could result in someone unknowingly violating the law by failing to provide assistant, witness, or other information;

Whereas an ABBM could be rejected for incomplete information and the voter may be unable to cure it in time without providing additional contact information;

Be it Resolved that an addition should be made to plank 242 stating, "Requiring that all voters requesting a ballot by mail utilize the official application form."

2. Signature Verification Integrity

Whereas voter registration forms, applications for ballot by mail, and carrier envelopes all have the signature of a voter;

Whereas the ability for the Signature Verification Committee or Early Voting Ballot Board to determine whether or not a signature is that of the voter would benefit from as much evidence as possible;

Be it resolved that two additions should be made to RPT Platform Plank 242 that read as follows:

- a. "The voter registrar and early voting clerk shall scan and electronically retain all voter registration forms, applications for ballot by mail, and carrier envelopes."
- b. "The early voting clerk must have software available to display all electronically available signatures together for use in signature verification."

3. Ballot By Mail Integrity

Whereas voters could have their votes harvested and have ballots cast in their names without their knowledge through ballot by mail;

Whereas voters should have the opportunity to cancel a vote by mail and vote in person instead up until the polls close on Election Day;

Whereas a vote in person with valid photo ID should take precedence over a vote cast by mail;

Whereas once a ballot is removed from its carrier envelope, it cannot be identified as that of a particular voter and canceled;

Be it resolved that an addition should be made to RPT Platform Plank 242 stating, "Requiring that ballots not be separated from their carrier envelopes until the polls close on election day."

* Resolutions are grouped according to topic, but each is meant to be able to stand alone. The question may be divided if one will pass without the other.