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## Sec. Toulouse Oliver Reminds All New Mexico Voters that Early Voting Begins Saturday, October 20

SANTA FE – Secretary of State Maggie Toulouse Oliver reminds all eligible New Mexico voters that early voting for the 2018 general election begins tomorrow, Saturday, October 20, 2018.

"New Mexicans lead busy lives and sometimes it's hard to take time off of work or to find childcare in order to go vote. That's why I encourage all eligible New Mexican voters to consider casting their ballots early this year," said Sec. Toulouse Oliver. "Early voting is a secure, convenient way to participate in the upcoming election. Voters should visit <a href="NMvote.org">NMvote.org</a> to find voting locations, hours of operation, sample ballots, and other important election information."

Early voting locations will be open in all of New Mexico's 33 counties beginning Saturday, October 20 and running through Saturday, November 3. Voting times and locations vary by county and voters should check with their county clerk or on <a href="Monty telephones"><u>NMvote.org</u></a> for specific information for their area.

Absentee voting is still underway and county clerks can mail absentee ballots to eligible voters until Friday, November 2, 2018. Absentee ballots can be requested by <u>filling out an application online</u>, by <u>contacting your county clerk's office</u> in person, by phone, mail, or email, or by <u>downloading an application</u> and mailing it or hand delivering it to your county clerk's office. All absentee ballots may be returned to the appropriate county clerk's office or any Election Day polling location no later than 7:00 PM on Tuesday, November 6, 2018.

Election Day is Tuesday, November 6, 2018 and polls will be open from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

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