

ORDER NO. 2020-44
INDIANA ELECTION COMMISSION

**CONCERNING EMERGENCY PROVISIONS AFFECTING THE 2020 INDIANA
PRIMARY ELECTION**

WHEREAS, per Executive Order 20-02, the Governor of the State of Indiana has declared a public health disaster emergency effective March 6, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, per Executive Order 20-17, the Governor's declaration of a public health disaster emergency was renewed for an additional thirty (30) days to May 5, 2020;

WHEREAS, per Executive Order 20-25, the Governor's declaration of a public health disaster emergency was further renewed for an additional thirty (30) days to June 4, 2020;

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 to be a global pandemic, and, several days later, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency under Proclamation 9994 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 3-6-4.1-14 provides that the Indiana Election Commission ("the Commission") shall, in addition to other duties prescribed by law, administer Indiana election laws, and advise and exercise supervision over local election and registration officers;

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 3-6-4.1-17 permits the Commission to issue an order extending the time to perform an election related duty or file a document as the result of an emergency;

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 3-6-4.1-25 permits the Commission to issue advisory opinions to administer Indiana election law; and

WHEREAS, the Commission adopted Order 2020-37 concerning emergency provisions affecting the 2020 Indiana primary election on March 25, 2020 and extended it for another thirty (30) days on April 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Commission adopted Order 2020-40 concerning emergency provisions affecting the 2020 Indiana primary election on April 17, 2020.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE INDIANA ELECTION
COMMISSION:**

SECTION 1. Pursuant to IC 3-6-4.1-17(b), Indiana Election Commission Order 2020-37, which expires on May 24, 2020, is readopted and extended for an additional thirty (30) days from the date Order 2020-37 is to expire, meaning until June 23, 2020.

SECTION 2. Pursuant to IC 3-6-4.1-17(b), Indiana Election Commission Order 2020-40, which expires on May 17, 2020, is readopted and extended for an additional thirty (30) days from the date Order 2020-40 is to expire, meaning until June 16, 2020.

SECTION 3. This Order is effective immediately.

ADOPTED THIS 12th DAY OF May, 2020 BY THE INDIANA ELECTION COMMISSION:



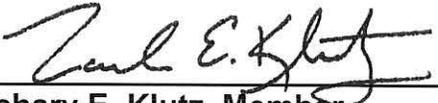
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