STATE *of* NEBRASKA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

LINCOLN

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 20-23

CORONAVIRUS – PRIMARY ELECTION POLL WORKER FLEXIBILITY

WHEREAS, a state of emergency was proclaimed in Nebraska on March 13, 2020, to control the spread of the coronavirus known as COVID-19;

WHEREAS, health officials have advised individuals in high risk categories to limit their public contact;

WHEREAS, many individuals who typically serve as poll workers are in one or more of these high risk categories;

WHEREAS, county election officials have diligently recruited individuals to serve as poll workers; and

WHEREAS, volunteer poll workers may actually reside outside of a county in which they volunteer to serve.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Pete Ricketts, Governor of the State of Nebraska, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of Nebraska, do hereby waive specific statutes pertaining to the Election Act for the purpose of conducting the May 12, 2020 primary election.

Pursuant to this declaration, I hereby order the following:

1. The provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. § 32-221(3), Neb. Rev. Stat. § 32-230(2), and Neb. Rev. Stat. § 32-231(1) are waived for the May 12, 2020 primary election only to the extent that these statutes require each poll worker to be selected from or reside in the precinct or county in which they live; and

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2. This Executive Order shall become effective immediately and shall remain in effect through 12:01 a.m. on May 13, 2020.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska to be affixed on this 11th day of May, 2020.

Pete Ricketts, Governor
State of Nebraska

Attest:

Robert B. Evnen,
Secretary of State
State of Nebraska