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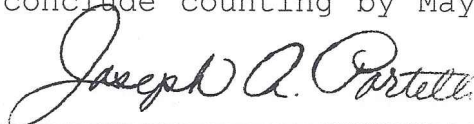
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
LAW DIVISION
PASSAIC COUNTY

IMO MAY 12, 2020)	ORDER EXTENDING TIME
ELECTION)	TO COUNT MAIL-IN BALLOTS
)	RECEIVED BY MAY 12, 2020
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This matter being opened to the court by Gurbir S. Grewal, Attorney General of New Jersey by Jonathan S. Sussman, Deputy Attorney General, appearing, counsel for the Passaic County Board of Elections, on application for an order to permit the Board of Elections to cease the counting of mail-in ballots cast and received by May 12, 2020 for the election held on May 12, 2020, at 8:30 p.m. on May 12, 2020, and to resume counting said ballots on May 13, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.; and the Board having represented that this is the State of New Jersey's first, all-mail-in-ballot election, that there exists considerable space constraints due to mandatory social distancing during the COVID-19 pandemic, and that the Board has received 17,688 ballots, of which 11,179 were received on or after May 8, 2020, and therefore, that despite their best efforts, they are unable to complete the count today; and the Court having considered this application and good cause appearing for the granting of this relief;

It is on this 12th day of May, 2020,

ORDERED that authority is herewith given to the Passaic County Board of Elections to stop the counting of mail-in ballots cast and received by May 12, 2020 in the May 12, 2020 election at 8:30 p.m. on May 12, 2020 and resume counting of the mail-in ballots on May 13, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. and continue with the counting until all mail-in ballots received prior to May 15, 2020 at 12:00 a.m. are reviewed and counted, and conclude counting by May 19, 2020 at 8:00 p.m.



Hon. Joseph A. Portelli J.S.C.