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Harris County Now Largest in the Country to Implement Countywide Polling Place Program

Houston, TX– Today, Texas Secretary of State David Whitley approved Harris County as one of six Texas counties with a population of more than 100,000 to participate in the Countywide Polling Place Program. With over 2 million registered voters, this makes Harris County the largest county in the country to implement this program. The state program allows eligible counties to establish non-precinct based Election Day Voting Centers.

"The voters of Harris County have made it clear that a Countywide Polling Place Program would have a positive impact on elections and I am confident that the transition to a Countywide Polling Place Program will be successful", announced Harris County Clerk Dr. Diane Trautman.

Voters will now be able to vote anywhere in Harris County on Election Day, beginning with the May 4, 2019 Uniform Election. All elections, including general, special, joint, primaries, and runoffs will be recommended to use the Countywide Polling Place Program.

"The Countywide Polling Place Program will allow more Houstonians to exercise their most precious right, the right to vote", **stated Dr. Trautman.**

Voters can find more information on the Countywide Polling Place Program by visiting <u>www.HarrisVotes.com</u> or by calling the Harris County Clerk's office at 713.755.6965.

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About the Harris County Clerk

Dr. Diane Trautman is the County Clerk and Chief Election Officer of the third largest County in the nation, home to over 4.6 million people. Dr. Trautman is committed to conducting transparent, trustworthy, efficient and secure elections that ensure every citizen has equal access to the voting process.