December 4, 2020

The Honorable Lucas Miller
Inspector General of Pennsylvania
555 Walnut Street, 8th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Re: 2020 Election Review

Dear Inspector General Miller:

In 2019 the Pennsylvania General Assembly enacted comprehensive changes to our Commonwealth’s Election Code. These changes expanded voting access by permitting no-excuse mail-in ballots while also implementing reasonable safeguards to ensure that this new system would be secure and transparent to ensure that all Americans could have confidence in Pennsylvania’s election results. These changes received bipartisan support, including the signature of Governor Tom Wolf.

Unfortunately, further changes were implemented to our elections and new guidance was issued just prior to the General Election day. This resulted in confusion, irregularities, and a lack of statewide continuity concerning how our elections were conducted.

For these reasons, we the undersigned members of the Pennsylvania General Assembly request a review of the Department of State’s internal policies and procedures during the 2020 General Election; a review of any IT issues, specifically server issues and election website glitch errors; a review of internal control policies of the SURE System; recommendations for the Department of State to improve internal controls; and recommendations to improve coordination between the Department of State and counties. We request this to ensure the statutes governing our elections were not violated and internal policies were followed, and additionally request any recommendations you might wish to make to the General Assembly concerning further internal control policies to prevent even the appearance of election manipulation in the Commonwealth.

Sincerely,

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