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City of Beverly Hills Files Lawsuit Regarding LA County's Ballot Marking Devices

Beverly Hills, CA (January 23, 2020) – The City of Beverly Hills has filed a lawsuit in Los Angeles County Superior Court over concerns regarding Los Angeles County's new VSAP (Voting Solutions for All People) touchscreen electronic voting system.

As voters prepare to cast their ballots in-person at the new Vote Centers countywide, only four candidates will appear on the first screen of the ballot marking device. To view additional candidates, the voter must select the MORE button. However, if the voter instead presses the NEXT button, they will not see all the candidates in that particular race.

"We are deeply troubled that voters will be disenfranchised by the new VSAP system," said Beverly Hills City Attorney Laurence S. Wiener. "All candidates should be presented in an equitable and transparent way to the voters. As the system is currently designed, a voter may not realize they are bypassing additional candidates. We believe this issue can be easily resolved."

The City is asking LA County to gray out the NEXT button until the voter has moved to the last page of that individual race and viewed all candidates. Alternatively, the City is asking that instructions be included on the first screen indicating there may be additional candidates than the first four names listed and to select MORE to view all choices.

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