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Located at the Cass County Courthouse – West Annex, 303 Minnesota Avenue, Walker, Minnesota

Instructions to First Time Mail Ballot Voters

If you are receiving this letter, you have recently registered to vote in Cass County in a Mail Ballot Precinct. Mail ballot precinct voters will automatically receive their ballots by mail no earlier than 46 days or later than 14 days prior to the election.

For 2010 statewide elections, the election dates and the corresponding dates that ballots will be mailed to all registered voters in mail ballot precincts are:

Statewide Primary Election: August 10, 2010 Ballot Mailing Dates: June 25 – July 27, 2010

Statewide General Election: November 2, 2010 Ballot Mailing Dates: Sept. 17 – Oct. 13, 2010

Each voter registered by July 20, 2010 for the Statewide Primary Election, and/or October 12, 2010 for the Statewide General Election will be mailed a ballot automatically.

Eligible voters not pre-registered by the dates noted, or pre-registered voters wishing to receive their ballot at a temporary address may contact the Cass County Auditor-Treasurer's Office by phone, mail or in person for an absentee ballot application.

Ballots may be returned by mail (a postage prepaid return envelope is included when the ballots are mailed), may be delivered in person, or delivered by designated agent to the Cass County Auditor-Treasurer's Office, Cass County Courthouse, 303 Minnesota Avenue, P.O. Box 3000, Walker, MN 56484. Ballots must be received no later than 8:00 p.m. on election day in order to be counted. Normal business hours are Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Voters with disabilities and other special needs, either permanent or temporary, may access a voter assist terminal to mark their ballot by bringing their ballot and ballot envelopes to the Cass County Auditor-Treasurer's Office at the address noted above, or other designated absentee voting locations. Call 218-547-7260 for more information.

Instructions are included with each ballot. The back of the return envelope must be completed and signed by the voter.

Prompt return of voted ballots is encouraged so that any omitted requirements can be corrected in advance of election day.

In addition to the normal business hours, extended hours for mail ballot voting (for in-person drop off, voter assist terminal access or absentee voting for non-registered voters) are:

Statewide Primary Election: Saturday, August 7, 2010 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Monday, August 9, 2010 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Tuesday, August 10, 2010 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Statewide General Election: Saturday, October 30, 2010 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Monday, November 1, 2010 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Tuesday, November 2, 2010 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The counting of mail ballots will be completed at the Cass County Courthouse after 8:00 p.m. on the respective election dates.

Additional information is available by contacting the Cass County Auditor-Treasurer's Office, 303 Minnesota Avenue, P.O. Box 3000, Walker, MN, phone 218-547-7260, www.co.cass.mn.us "Elections/Voting" link or email to cass.voters@co.cass.mn.us.

Sincerely,

Cass County Elections Division