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SECRETARY BYSIEWICZ: DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO VOTE BY MAIL IS TOMORROW

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Secretary of the State Susan Bysiewicz today reminded Connecticut residents that the deadline for registering to vote by mail is tomorrow – Tuesday, October 24, 2006 – with their local Registrar of Voters.

Connecticut residents who are not yet registered to vote also have until a week from tomorrow – Tuesday, October 31st, 2006 at 8 p.m. – to register in person at their local Town Hall, Secretary Bysiewicz said. Those wishing to mail in their registration forms, however, must have those postmarked by the end of the day on October 24th.

"We have had a wonderfully successful voter registration drive so far this fall, with more than 33,000 new voters registering between the August 8th primary and today. There is still time to register to vote, and today I am reminding people that in order to register by mail, those forms have to be postmarked by tomorrow, October 24th," Secretary Bysiewicz said. "In August we had our most successful primary for statewide office in history, and I am hoping to build on that success in the general election on November 7th. Voting is our most precious civil right and is the basis for our democracy. I strongly encourage anyone who is not yet registered to mail in their voter registration forms by tomorrow, or to register in person by October 31st at 8 p.m."

Secretary Bysiewicz set a goal to register 35,000 new voters between the August 8th primary and the October 31st deadline. This year's registration campaign is called "Shape Tomorrow: Register To Vote."

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