

PROCLAMATION

A Tribute to Norma Lucille Gray, Assistant Registrar of Voters

Elections Department, County of El Dorado

March 6, 1934 – November 20, 2010

WHEREAS, a beloved Norma Lucille Gray began her career with the County of El Dorado Elections Department as a poll worker, inspector, instructor and in charge of polling locations before being hired fulltime in 1989, where she eventually became the Assistant Registrar of Voters; and,

WHEREAS, because of her broad experience in the field, her straight forward style, her compassion and professionalism, Norma's expertise in the elections office was invaluable and she was considered the quintessential problem solver, calmer of any condition, and was well known, well liked and well respected among her colleagues, candidates and statewide associations; and,

WHEREAS, Norma Gray was said to be the "conductor of the Elections Day Orchestra", she was the "go to girl", and "the glue" who was well versed on the new election laws, respected by the Secretary of State's office, an expert in every facet of the Elections Department, and the competent conduit for every candidate; and,

WHEREAS, from her first days at the office when she brought her own typewriter to work, and when elections were performed without advanced technology, she maintained and expanded the credibility and sophistication that accommodates nearly 108,000 registered voters today, 75 election jurisdictions, up to 600 employees and volunteers on election days and innumerable candidates over the course of 25 years beginning as a pollworker through her position as Assistant Registrar of Voters.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Board of Supervisors, for the County of El Dorado, does herewith proclaim, on behalf of its citizens, their acknowledgement and admiration for Norma Gray and the immeasurable service to our communities she provided. She will be missed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 7th day of Docember, 2010

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