Whereas, The United States Election Assistance Commission, in accordance with Section 222 of Public Law 107-252, also designated as the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA), adopted Voluntary Voting System Guidelines on December 13, 2005, which were subsequently modified by the Election Assistance Commission in accordance with Section 222 on March 31, 2015;

Whereas, The Election Assistance Commission Standards Board was established by Section 211 of HAVA;

Whereas, The Standards Board is required under Section 212 of HAVA to review the Voluntary Voting System Guidelines in accordance with Section 222(b)(3) of HAVA;

Whereas, The Executive Director of the United States Election Assistance Commission has submitted to the Executive Board of the Standards Board proposals for further modifications of the Voluntary Voting System Guidelines recommended on September 12, 2017 by the Technical Guidelines Development Committee under Section 221 of HAVA;

Whereas, The Executive Board has reviewed the proposed modifications to the Voluntary Voting System Guidelines and forwarded its recommendation to the entire membership of the
Standards Board that the proposed modifications be adopted as presented;

Whereas, The Executive Board has recommended that the membership of the Standards Board consider this recommendation at the next annual meeting of the Standards Board required under Section 215(a)(2) of HAVA; and

Whereas, after thorough and diligent review of the proposed modifications by the membership of the Standards Board;

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, by the Election Assistance Commission Standards Board, that:

SECTION 1. The United States Election Assistance Commission Standards Board recommends to the United States Election Assistance Commission that the proposed modifications to the Voluntary Voting System Guidelines recommended by the Technical Guidelines Development Committee on September 12, 2017, be adopted by the Commission.

SECTION 2. The United States Election Assistance Commission Standards Board further recommends that these modifications be designated as “Voluntary Voting System Guidelines 2.0” to reflect the comprehensive nature of the modifications.

SECTION 3. The United States Election Assistance Commission Standards Board further recommends that the United States Election Assistance Commission, in its consideration of the recommended modifications, take into account the following:

(1) The schedule and procedures to implement “Voluntary Voting System Guidelines 2.0” should be as efficient as possible to ensure a smooth transition to the new Guidelines.
(2) The role of the entire membership of the Standards Board under HAVA should be respected and preserved with regard to the implementation and modification of more detailed technical procedures and standards employed to conduct the certification of voting systems under “Voluntary Voting System Guidelines 2.0”.

(3) Adopt within the Testing and Certification Program Quality & Program Manual a provision providing for the ability of VVSG 2.0 Requirements and Test Assertions to be updated in the absence of a quorum of EAC Commissioners.

(4) The requirement under Section 311(c) of HAVA that the United States Election Assistance Commission review and update recommendations adopted with respect to voting system standards no less frequently than once every 4 years.

MOTION CARRIED

A True Record Attest:

Secretary Pro Tem
Standards Board
Executive Board

Submitted by: J. Bradley King
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