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**Denise W. Merrill**  
Secretary of the State

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Deputy Secretary of the State

Mona Harrington, Acting Executive Director  
U.S. Election Assistance Commission  
1335 East-West Highway, Suite 4300  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Dear Ms. Harrington:

The purpose of this letter is to certify that the state of Connecticut will use the funds provided under the Notice of Grant Award, Agreement # CT20101CARES, for activities consistent with the laws described in Section 906 of HAVA and will not use the funds in a manner that is inconsistent with the requirements of Title III of HAVA.

We further certify that we have reviewed and accept the terms of the award as specified in the Notice of Grant Award. Our UEI number (formerly DUNS) is 004534830 and the signed Certifications are enclosed.

We are requesting \$5,381,732. We will use the funds to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus, domestically or internationally, for the 2020 Federal election cycle. To address the effects of the coronavirus on the election we have identified the following expenditure's as critical needs for immediate purchase: printing absentee ballots and envelopes, postage, additional machinery for ballot processing, cleaning supplies and protective equipment for poll workers, compensation for additional local election officials, costs associated with the relocation or addition of polling places and communication to notify voters of changes in the election process due to the pandemic. To expedite procurement and distribution, we anticipate that the Secretary of State will purchase as many of the major items identified above and distribute these items to municipalities based on documented needs resulting directly for the pandemic. Should municipalities be authorized to expend funds directly, the Secretary of State will provide guidance regarding submittal of requests for and state approval of costs prior to incurring them.

If you have any questions about this request, please contact Theodore Bromley, Director of Elections at 860-509-6122 or [ted.bromley@ct.gov](mailto:ted.bromley@ct.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Denise W. Merrill".

Denise W. Merrill  
Secretary of the State

Cc.  
Kinza Ghaznavi, Grants Manager