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April 16, 2020

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 Indiana will use the funds provided under the Notice of Grant Award, Agreement #IN20101CARES, 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 36-074-3785 and the signed certifications are enclosed.

We are requesting \$8,013,610. We will use the funds to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus, domestically or internationally, for the 2020 Federal election cycle. As recommended by the Center for Disease Control, we plan to address the potential coronavirus threats by minimizing direct contact among Hoosier voters and election staff, educating poll workers on sanitation best practices, and ensuring polling locations are supplied with the necessary personal protective equipment, all while maintaining the highest standard of election security.

To minimize direct contact, Indiana has already implemented no-excuse absentee by mail voting for the June Primary Election. In doing so, Indiana expects to incur costs related to an increase in absentee ballots, including the cost of ballot printing and additional envelopes and postage. Counties may require additional staff to support these absentee ballot mailing and counting functions.

Indiana will conduct in-person early voting and in-person Election Day voting. To ensure poll workers and voters are protected, Indiana expects to incur costs related to additional poll worker education that covers correct sanitization practices and training on election equipment disinfecting.

To protect polling and central count locations, Indiana will incur costs to supply staff with the necessary personal protective equipment. Indiana expects to receive 4,400 gallons of hand sanitizer and 7,200 refillable dispenser bottles. Indiana has already procured 300,000 pairs of disposable gloves and 200,000 ear loop facemasks for staff, and 100,000 microfiber disinfectant cloths and 5,000 spray bottles for voting machine

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sanitation. These materials will be distributed to counties. Additionally, we have been deliberate not to solicit vendors supplying critical care needs or interfere with these supply chains.

During times of uncertainty and with several changes to our routine election procedures, it is imperative to maintain voter confidence. Indiana will incur media costs to advertise new election dates and voting guidelines.

The plans described in this narrative are subject to change, based on additional health recommendations and evaluations. Refining cost estimates is our first priority and will inform available budgets and capacity in Indiana's remaining election security objectives.

If you have any questions about this request, please contact Deputy Secretary of State Brandon Clifton at bclifton@sos.in.gov.

Sincerely,



Connie Lawson
Indiana Secretary of State

cc:
Kinza Ghaznavi, Grants Manager