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 Missouri will use the funds provided under the Notice of Grant Award, Agreement # MO20101CARES, 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 175937234 and the signed Certifications are enclosed.

We are requesting $7,628,763. 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 will work in partnership with the local election authorities to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 so the voters can exercise their right to vote.

The Missouri Secretary of State plans to spend the funds in accordance with the 2020 HAVA CARES Act Grant. We will use the funds to provide to the local election authorities items that will help mitigate the spread of the coronavirus, such as absentee ballot boxes, gloves, masks and protective face shields for the poll workers, hand sanitizer, disinfectant wipes, and social distancing markers for the floors.

Additionally, we will provide grants to the 116 local election authorities/boards that will be specific to their individual needs as a result of concerns that the coronavirus pandemic has generated in their particular area.

If you have any questions about this request, please contact Lori Hughes at (573) 751-1831 or Lori.Hughes@sos.mo.gov.

Sincerely,

John R. Ashcroft
Secretary of State

Cc. Kinza Ghaznavi, Grants Manager