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Statement from the Secretary of the State on the Integrity of Connecticut's Elections

Hartford: In response to recent suggestions that the presidential election could in some way be compromised, Secretary of the State Denise Merrill said, "The state of Connecticut goes through every precaution to ensure that elections are administered as freely and fairly as possible. Any claim to the contrary is not just irresponsible, it is destructive to the fabric of our democracy. The hundreds of elections officials in the state—including registrars, moderators, clerks and volunteer poll workers—are working tirelessly to serve the voters. The preparation that these officials go through includes accepting registration applications, confirming addresses, printing voter lists, checking the identity of voters at the polls, tallying votes, responding to complaints, auditing results, and so much more. Mistakes can be made and errors do occur. However, none of these alter the outcome of our elections. At the end of a very long Election Day, it will be the voters who choose the next president of the United States."