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## Georgia Presidential Preference Primary Postponed, Early Voting Suspended in Troup County

*Troup County, Ga. March 15, 2020* – Due to the increasing health concerns of Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) and the current State of Emergency in Georgia, Georgia Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger has postponed the Presidential Preference Primary from March 24, 2020 to coincide with the General Primary/Nonpartisan Election scheduled for May 19, 2020. In addition, early voting for Georgians, including Troup County residents, has been suspended at this time.

Every vote already cast for the Presidential Preference Primary during early voting, whether by mail or in person, will be counted in May during the coinciding primary and General Primary/Nonpartisan Election; furthermore, Georgia residents who have already cast their vote during early voting will also be able to vote again in the May 19, 2020 Presidential Preference Primary for the elections already scheduled for that date.

The Troup County Board of Elections and Registration is encouraging concerned citizens to request an absentee ballot by mail for the rescheduled election in order to reduce the amount of in-person contact due to the rising health concerns associated with COVID-19. In order to request an absentee ballot, voters must complete an application, which can be located online at <a href="https://sos.ga.gov/admin/files/Absentee\_Ballot\_Application\_2018.pdf">https://sos.ga.gov/admin/files/Absentee\_Ballot\_Application\_2018.pdf</a>, or in person at the Troup County Elections and Registration Office, and return it to the Troup County Elections and Registration Office via mail at 100 Ridley Avenue, LaGrange, Georgia 30240, via fax at (706) 883-1692, or via email at <a href="mailto:elections@troupco.org">elections@troupco.org</a>. For more information regarding absentee voting in Troup County, please visit <a href="mailto:https://www.troupcountyga.gov/Elections/Absentee">https://www.troupcountyga.gov/Elections/Absentee</a>.

The Troup County Elections and Registration Office will be available to answer any questions related to the postponed Presidential Preference Primary, as well as the scheduled General Primary/Nonpartisan Election via phone at (706) 883-1745 or email at <u>elections@troupco.org</u> during normal business hours, Monday-Friday from 8:00AM-5:00PM.

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