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RESOLUTION ON ENHANCING NVRA IMPLEMENTATION

The National Association of Secretaries of State recognizes that reversing voter registration trends in public assistance agencies must be a priority for every state in the country. This change will call for determined leadership and commitment from Governors, Secretaries of State, Chief Election Officials and leaders of affected agencies.

To help fulfill the goals of NVRA, NASS resolves that:

1. Promoting full compliance with NVRA voter registration requirements for public assistance agencies will be a top priority for NASS – with special emphasis on implementation prior to registration deadlines for the coming general election and all future elections;
2. NASS and its members will take lead roles in creating NVRA implementation plans in their home states;
3. NASS and its members will work collaboratively with Governors, elections officials and leaders of social service agencies to oversee execution of such plans; and
4. As states proceed to design and develop their statewide databases under the Help American Vote Act (HAVA), efforts are being made to incorporate electronic transfers of voter registration applications from motor vehicle offices to elections offices. NASS and its members commit to extend these efforts by incorporating electronic transfers of voter registration applications from public assistance offices to elections offices

Taking this role, NASS and its members will work to improve and enhance NVRA implementation. Only then can states fully achieve the simple aims that Congress laid out with the act's passage: To increase the number of citizens who register to vote, to enhance the participation of those who register, and to protect the integrity of the electoral process.

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