

RESOLUTION 2008-01 NATIONAL ELECTION WORKER APPRECIATION WEEK

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2008, more than 1,000,000 persons served in the process of conducting our federal election;

WHEREAS, election workers represent every facet of our society and communities and provide a tangible link between the voting public and the election process;

WHEREAS, election workers provide an invaluable function to our country and are one of this country's most valuable resources;

WHEREAS, election workers volunteer to serve their fellow citizens with distinction and provide an invaluable service to their communities;

WHEREAS, election workers span the generation gap from high school students to senior citizens and mirror the amazing diversity of their communities and American society as a whole;

WHEREAS, election workers are the backbone of American democracy and their dedicated service allows our democracy to flourish;

WHEREAS, election workers are America's "champions of democracy," it is most appropriate to recognize the contribution that election workers make each time we cast our votes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the United States Election Assistance Commission, in concert with the states, counties and election jurisdictions of the United States, proclaims the week of December 7-13, 2008, as "National Election Worker Appreciation Week."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the United States Election Assistance Commission extends its appreciation and admiration for the election workers of this country and the vital services that they perform in conducting this country's elections.

Adopted by vote of the United States Election Assistance Commission this 8th day of December 2008 in Washington, D.C.

Rosemary Rodriguez, Chair

Donetta Davidson, Vice Chair

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