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A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to providing survivors of domestic violence with guidance on making voter registration records confidential and voting by special ballot

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 10 of section 1057-a of the New York city charter, as added by local law number 6 for the year 2019, is redesignated subdivision 11 and a new subdivision 12 is added to read as follows:

12. In addition to the other requirements of this section:

a. The campaign finance board, in collaboration with the office to end domestic and gender-based violence, shall produce and regularly update written guidance on the procedures for making a voter registration record confidential pursuant to section 5-508 of the election law and for voting by special ballot pursuant to section 11-306 of the election law; and

b. The office to end domestic and gender-based violence shall:

(1) Distribute such written guidance to individuals receiving services at family justice centers within the meaning of section 3-180 of the administrative code;

(2) In collaboration with the administration for children's services, the commission on human rights, community boards, the department of health and mental hygiene, the department of homeless services, the department of housing preservation and development, the department of youth and community development, and the human resources administration, distribute such written guidance to survivors within the meaning of section 3-180 of the administrative code who are receiving services and

(2) Upon request, assist such individuals in preparing and submitting any written statement that may be

required in order to make a voter registration record confidential pursuant to section 5-508 of the election law or vote by special ballot pursuant to section 11-306 of the election law.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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