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The Honorable Ashley Moody Attorney General of Florida PL-01 The Capitol Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050

Dear Madam Attorney General:

I am reaching out to request you take the leadership role in establishing a formal investigation, as soon as possible, to ensure that non-US citizens are <u>not</u> registered to vote in Florida.

The Attorney General of Texas recently reported the results of a similar investigation that indicated about 95,000 non-citizens were registered in Texas, and roughly 58,000 of them voted. Later refinement of the investigation reduced the numbers somewhat, but the correct number of non-citizens registered to vote in any state, and especially Florida, <u>should be exactly</u> <u>ZERO</u>. I've attached a copy of the Texas AG's report to this letter.

Key players within Florida would include the Secretary of State, and Executive Director DHSMV thus I am copying them along with the Governor.

Our organization recently hosted a panel discussion on this topic attended by a national level immigration expert and our three local county Supervisors of Elections. (*I recommend you include Wesley Wilcox, Supervisor of Elections Marion County on your task force. He was most impressive.*) Our membership, a thousand plus strong, is united in requesting an investigation into this issue, like Texas, to <u>prevent</u> 2020 voter fraud. All sixty-seven (67) counties should be looked at, with the initial focus on Broward and Palm Beach given their long-troubled histories.

We look forward to inviting you to speak to our Club again whenever your busy schedule can accommodate. We would love to hear of all your accomplishments! We particularly will want to hear of your success in strategically removing all non-citizens from Florida's voter rolls, especially as we approach the upcoming Presidential election of 2020. We want Florida to be the nationwide model for voter integrity.

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## (3) Executive Director Terry L. Rhodes, Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles

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Attached: Texas Attorney General's Statement on Voter Fraud, dated 25 January 2019



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## AG Paxton: Texas Secretary of State's Office Discovers Nearly 95,000 People Identified by DPS as Non-U.S. Citizens are Registered to Vote in Texas

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Attorney General Ken Paxton today issued the following statement after the Secretary of State's office discovered that about 95,000 individuals identified by the Department of Public Safety as non-U.S. citizens have a matching voter registration record in Texas, and roughly 58,000 of them have voted in one or more Texas elections:

"Every single instance of illegal voting threatens democracy in our state and deprives individual Texans of their voice. We're honored to have partnered with the Texas Secretary of State's office in the past on voter initiatives and we will spare no effort in assisting with these troubling cases. My Election Fraud Unit stands ready to investigate and prosecute crimes against the democratic process when needed. We have obtained a number of successful non-citizen voter fraud convictions, including prison sentences for Rosa Ortega in Tarrant County and Laura Garza in Montgomery County. And earlier this month, investigators from our office arrested Marites Curry, a noncitizen charged with illegal voting in Navarro County. Nothing is more vital to preserving our Constitution than the integrity of our voting process, and my office will do everything within its abilities to solidify trust in every election in the state of Texas. I applaud Secretary of State Whitley for his proactive work in safeguarding our elections."

Texas law allows lawfully present noncitizens to obtain driver's licenses by showing proof of lawful presence to DPS. However, only citizens are eligible to vote. And Texas law currently does not require verification of a voter's statement that they are a citizen. The Texas Secretary of State provided the information to the Office of the Attorney General this week, which has concurrent jurisdiction to prosecute election crimes.

From 2005-2017, the attorney general's office prosecuted 97 defendants for numerous voter fraud violations. In 2018, Attorney General Paxton's Election Fraud Unit – with assistance from a criminal justice grant from the governor's office – prosecuted 33 defendants for a total of 97 election fraud violations. Last February, the attorney general announced a significant <u>voter fraud initiative</u> (<u>https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/news/releases/ag-paxtonannounces-significant-voter-fraud-initiative-and-offers-assistanceaddressing-starr-county</u>) and addressed key problems and policy areas related to election law.

To view the Texas Secretary of State press release, click here: <u>https://www.sos.state.tx.us/about/newsreleases/2019/012519.shtml</u> (https://www.sos.state.tx.us/about/newsreleases/2019/012519.shtml).

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