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**Resolution for the Hispanic Outreach Plan Following Expiration of Bilingual Consent Decree**

WHEREAS, on September 3, 2010, The Cuyahoga County Board of Elections (CCBOE) entered into an Agreement, Judgment and Order (“Consent Decree”) with the United States of America to protect the rights of Spanish-speaking Puerto Rican voters under Section 4(e) of the Voting Rights Act; and

WHEREAS, the CCBOE agreed to provide critical election-related information in Spanish to limited-English proficient Puerto Rican voters, including the ballot, as well as to provide an adequate number of bilingual poll officials trained to assist Spanish-speaking voters on Election Day; and

WHEREAS, the bilingual services and documents provided by the CCBOE have proven to be valuable to Spanish speaking voters in Cuyahoga County; and

WHEREAS, the CCBOE is committed to the continuation of bilingual services for Cuyahoga County registered voters, as well as to its continued partnership with an advisory committee; and

WHEREAS, the primary goal of the bilingual election program will focus on providing bilingual ballots to all Spanish speaking electors with limited English proficiencies and the Hispanic community within Cuyahoga County;

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED that we the members of the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections join together with staff in committing to the following:

Section 1: That the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections continues to provide bilingual documents. This includes providing bilingual ballots in its current form as well as utilizing a certified translator.

Section 2: That the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections continues to use bilingual staff for recruitment and Election Day support. This includes staffing the Spanish language voter hotline from 6:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. on Election Days.

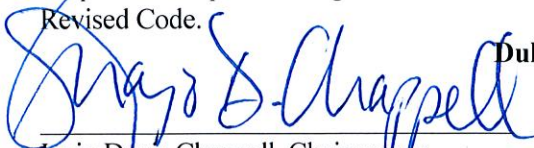
Section 3: That the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections continues to utilize the services of the Hispanic Outreach Coordinator. The Coordinator continues to implement a community outreach plan focusing on the Hispanic Community.

Section 4: That the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections continues to use bilingual materials on Election Day.

Section 5: That the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections continues to partner with and to utilize the services of an advisory committee, with the recommendation that a new name be adopted to indicate the CCBOE’s renewed commitment to serving the Hispanic Community.

It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the CCBOE in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**Duly adopted on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014.**

  
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