# Make Sure Your Vote Is Counted; Sign And Seal Certificate Envelope When Submitting Vote By Mail Ballot

State law requires that vote by mail ballots submitted to the Hunterdon County Board of Elections must be placed inside the voting certificate envelope, and the certificate must be signed, in order for your vote to be counted, County Clerk Mary Melfi and Board of Elections Administrator Beth Thompson have reminded voters.

The County Clerk and Elections Administrator made their announcement due to the numerous calls from voters concerned about how to return their vote by mail ballot – because for most voters this is their first experience with a vote by mail election.

Board of Elections Administrator Thompson said, "Under state law, unsigned certificates cannot be processed and counted. Also, ballots not in the sealed certificate envelopes will not be counted.

Voters must place their ballot in the certificate envelope, seal it and sign the flap. Then place it in the Transport Envelope (the return envelope addressed to the Hunterdon County Board of Elections that also provides first class postage if mailing). It is also important not to detach the certificate," Thompson stated.

Please see the attached video for further instructions. Click here to watch the video.

Ballots can be dropped off into secure Board of Elections drop boxes located around the county, click here, or at the Hunterdon County Board of Elections Office, 71 Main Street, Flemington, or they can be mailed through the U.S. Postal Service.

Drop boxes and the Board of Elections Office will receive ballots up until November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8 pm.

Secure drop boxes, from which sealed ballots are retrieved daily, are located at these sites:

- GLEN GARDNER BOROUGH: Glen Gardner Municipal Building 83 Main St., Glen Gardner NJ 08826
- HOLLAND TOWNSHIP: Holland Township Municipal Building 61 Church Rd, Milford NJ 08848
- <u>LAMBERTVILLE CITY:</u>
   Phillip J Pittore Justice Center
   25 S Union St., Lambertville NJ 08530
- RARITAN TOWNSHIP:
   Hunterdon County Public Library
   314 Rt 12 Bldg. 3, Flemington NJ 08822

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#### • READINGTON TOWNSHIP:

Readington Township Municipal Building 509 Rt 523, Whitehouse Sta NJ 08889

#### • CLINTON TOWN:

North Branch County Library 65 Halstead St., Clinton

#### • CLINTON TOWNSHIP

Public Safety Building 1370 RT. 31 No. Annandale, NJ 08801

#### • FLEMINGTON BOROUGH:

Hunterdon County Clerk - Hall of Records 71 Main St., Flemington NJ 08822

#### • <u>FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP</u>:

Franklin Township Municipal Building 202 Sidney Road, Pittstown NJ 08867

#### • <u>LEBANON TOWNSHIP:</u>

Lebanon Township Municipal Building, 530 West Hill Road, Glen Gardner, NJ 08826

#### • <u>TEWKSBURY TOWNSHIP</u>:

Tewksbury Township Municipal Building 169 Old Turnpike Rd, Califon NJ 07830

### • <u>UNION TOWNSHIP:</u>

Union Township Municipal Building 140 Perryville Rd., Hampton, NJ 08827