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**DEADLINE TO REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT FOR THE
2008 SPECIAL GENERAL ELECTION FOR THE
4TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Annapolis, Maryland (May 9, 2008,) – The deadline to request by mail or by fax an absentee ballot for the 2008 Special General Election for the 4th Congressional District is **Tuesday, June 10, 2008**. Any registered voter in Maryland may request an absentee ballot, although a voter will be required, as part of the absentee voting process, to affirm, under penalty of perjury, that he or she will be absent or unable to vote in person on election day.

A voter who wishes to vote by absentee ballot must request an absentee ballot in writing. An application may be printed from the State's website at www.elections.state.md.us or requested by telephone, in writing, or in person at the voter's local board of elections. To request an absentee ballot application, please visit www.elections.state.md.us or call 1-800-222-VOTE (8683).

A local board of elections must **receive** an absentee ballot application:

- If mailed, by 4:30 p.m. on **Tuesday, June 10, 2008**; or
- If faxed, by 11:59 p.m. on **Tuesday, June 10, 2008**.

After **Tuesday, June 10, 2008**, all requests for an absentee ballot must be made *in person* at a local board of elections. After June 10th, the late application for absentee ballot will be posted at www.elections.state.md.us, but a voter must submit the late application to a local board of elections. Contact information for the local boards of elections is available at www.elections.state.md.us (click "Local Boards of Elections" on the left side) or call 1-800-222-VOTE (8683).

The 2008 Special General Election for the 4th Congressional District will be held on **Tuesday, June 17, 2008**. **If you are** registered to vote, you can visit our Voter Registration Search and the Polling Place Locator at www.elections.state.md.us to find the location of your polling place. Your assigned polling place is also listed on your Voter Notification Card, the card you received after you registered to vote. This is the polling place where you should vote on election day. **Only** voters who reside in the 4th Congressional District may vote on Tuesday, June 17, 2008.

For more information, voters may contact the State Board of Elections at 1-800-222-VOTE (8683) or visit www.elections.state.md.us.

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