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Bureau of Corporations, Elections and Commissions

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Dear Voter,

This office is responsible for administration of federal and state elections in Maine. Our records show that you recently enrolled in the No Labels Party, an organization that is seeking to qualify as a recognized political party under Maine law. Under Maine law, a new party must enroll a certain number of voters to qualify as a recognized party.

We have received reports that some Maine residents who completed paperwork to enroll in the No Labels Party were told that they were signing a petition in support of the No Labels Party. These voters have stated that they did not understand that the paperwork they were asked to complete would have the effect of enrolling them in the No Labels Party, thus disenrolling them from any party in which they were previously enrolled.

Because we have received many reports of voter confusion, we are sending this letter to ensure that you are aware that you have enrolled in the No Labels Party. If you wish to remain enrolled in the No Labels Party **you do not need to do anything**. However, if you did not intend to enroll in the No Labels Party, please be aware that you can change back to your previous enrollment status, enroll in a different party, or become unenrolled, by filling out a voter registration card, which you can obtain by calling or visiting your municipal clerk or at <u>www.maine.gov/sos/cec/elec/upcoming/index.html</u>. Your completed and signed application must be submitted to your municipal clerk's office. You should be aware that, under Maine law, there is a three-month waiting period from the time you enrolled in the No Labels Party before any enrollment change will become effective.

If you believe you were misled into changing your enrollment or have other concerns that you wish to share with our office, you may contact our office at 207-626-8400 or <u>SOS.Office@maine.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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