# 2022 ELECTIONS RECAP

State of Alaska – Division of Elections

- ► Conducted four statewide elections successfully including a statewide all by-mail election
- ▶ Implemented the May Interim Redistricting plan
- ► Implemented the Nonpartisan Pick One Primary system and the Ranked Choice Voting General system

### CHALLENGES AND SUCCESSES

- ► Updated Forms
- ► Ballot Design
- ► Election Tabulation System
- ▶ Voter Education and Outreach
- ► Election Results Reporting

#### CHANGES FROM 19AKBE

- ► June 11, 2022 Special Primary
  - ▶ Over 500,000 by-mail ballots sent
  - ▶ Voter Turnout 161,773 ballots cast (27.55%)
- ► August 16, 2022 Special General and Regular Primary
  - ▶ Voter Turnout 192,542 ballots cast (32.16%)
- ▶ November 8, 2022 Regular General Election
  - ▶ Voter Turnout 267,047 ballots cast (44.38%)

#### STATISTICS

- ► Voting on Election Day at 401 polling places and some absentee in-person locations
- ▶ Julie Husmann Region V Regional Elections Supervisor

### ELECTION DAY – REGIONAL OFFICE

- ► Shipping logistics for election materials
- ▶ Post office closures
- ▶ Poll worker recruitment and longevity

#### RURAL VOTING CHALLENGES

- ► For the Special Primary Election there were 7,544 ballots rejected statewide
- ► For the Special General Election/Regular Primary there were 554 ballots rejected statewide
- ► For the Regular General Election there were 878 ballots rejected statewide
- ▶ Common reasons for rejection: improper or insufficient witnessing, ballot postmarked after election day, and voter did not sign certificate

#### ABSENTEE BALLOT REVIEW

- ▶ Hand count verification
- ▶ Precinct results were verified
- ▶ Early vote, absentee, and questioned ballots were verified

#### STATE REVIEW BOARD AUDIT

- ► Provided language assistance for required Alaska Native Languages, Spanish and Tagalog in required areas
- ► Translation panels
- ▶ PSA/Radio announcements and mail outreach
- ▶ Translation of Official Election Pamphlet with first mailing to households
- ▶ Bilingual Outreach Workers
- ► Bilingual Poll Workers

### LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE

- ▶ Presidential elections Presidential Race will count
- ► Mid-term elections no same day registration

## SAME DAY VOTER REGISTRATION



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