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To: All Press-Media (TV Newspaper, Radio, etc.)

From: Ashley Dittus, Commissioner

John P. Quigley, Commissioner

Date: July 8, 2022

Re: UPDATE to 2<sup>ND</sup> Annual Ulster County I Voted Sticker Design Contest

Our I voted stickers are a popular conversation this year! As we continue to find ways of showing our voting pride and inspiring our neighbors to vote we have stumbled upon a viral opportunity. For the second year, the Ulster BOE is inviting our community to vote on their favorite "I Voted" sticker that will be distributed to each polling location for the Ulster County General Election on November 8, 2022.

The response has been amazing! As of this press release the leading sticker has over 63,000 votes! In total we have over 71,000 votes!

With a surprise August Special Election & Primaries comes a Commissioner surprise of our own! Any of the six stickers to receive over 1,500 votes by Friday July 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:00PM (with the exception of the winner, who will be reserved for November's General Election) will have their sticker printed for the August 23<sup>rd</sup> Election.

Commissioners Ashley Dittus "It has been so much fun seeing people react all over the county and even the world to our contest! We started this program to bring young people into the election process in a fun way and we have certainly accomplished our goal this year. It is our hope that people in Ulster County and all over the country are inspired to vote not just in an online contest but at the polls where it matters the most.'

Commissioner John Quigley "This sticker contest has given us an opportunity to express the importance of running free and fair elections. One crucial part of our elections that get overlooked is our election inspectors. As we gear up for an election it can take upwards of 700 part timers to work that day. Anyone interested in working as an election inspector might just be the lucky person to hand out these awesome stickers this year!"

For more information, visit the Student Resources section of the Ulster County Board of Elections website at Voteulster.com, call 845.334.5470, or email Elections@co.ulster.ny.us.