

RESOLUTION OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

REGARDING THE JULY 22, 2016 SUPREME COURT OF VIRGINIA ORDER

WHEREAS, on April 22, 2016, May 31, 2016, and June 24, 2016, Governor McAuliffe issued Executive Orders to restore the voting rights of 213,874 individuals who had been convicted of a felony but who had completed their sentences of incarceration and periods of supervised release; and

WHEREAS, while those Executive Orders were in effect, 12,832 individuals whose rights had been restored registered to vote in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, on July 22, 2016 the Supreme Court of Virginia, in the matter of *Howell v. McAuliffe*, issued an Order granting the Writ of Mandamus requested by the Petitioners, invalidating the Governor's Executive Orders and any restoration of rights they granted, and setting forth five remedial actions to be taken by the Respondents; and

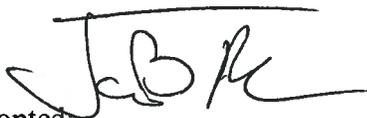
WHEREAS, the Court's order requires that "[t]he State Board of Elections and Chairman James B. Alcorn, Vice Chair Clara Bell[e] Wheeler, and Secretary Singleton B. McAllister, on or before August 25, 2016, 'shall institute procedures to ensure that' the Department of Elections and Commissioner Cortés carry out their duties under this Court's order, Code § 24.2-404(C)"; and

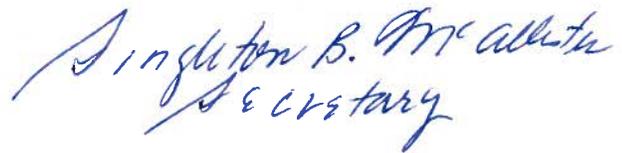
WHEREAS, Commissioner Cortés has reported to this Board on the steps taken by the Department of Elections to comply with the Order and the Board finds that such actions are fully compliant with the Order and provide the requisite and necessary procedures to continue compliance, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that based on the report of the Commissioner, the Board is satisfied that the Department and the Commissioner have carried out their duties to comply with the Supreme Court's July 22 Order, and

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER that the Department shall continue to advise the Board on this matter on issues that may arise with implementation of the Order.

Adopted.


Chair.


Secretary