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TO: Each Supervisor

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## NOVEMBER 4, 2003 CONSOLIDATED ELECTIONS AND CANDIDATE HANDBOOK AND RESOURCE GUIDE

Today was the first day of candidate filing for the November 4, 2003 Consolidated Elections with a total of 102 candidates having filed for office as of 5 p.m. Based on past experience we expect approximately 900 candidates will complete the filing process by the August 8<sup>th</sup> deadline.

We are enclosing the newly formatted Candidate Handbook and Resource Guide that includes critical deadlines, rules and guidelines for campaigning, campaign finance disclosure requirements and other valuable information. This new publication has more inclusive and detailed information to benefit the many novice as well as the experienced candidates. We are proud to present this new user-friendly Candidate Handbook for your usage.

There will be 1,100 precincts to serve approximately 1.7 million voters for this vear's Consolidated Elections.

Looking toward the March 2, 2004 Primary Election, a similar handbook will be available in December 2003. In the meantime, please note the following information pertaining to Board of Supervisor offices that will appear on that ballot.

- Signatures in Lieu (optional) Filing date:
   September 26 November 20, 2003
- Number of nominating signatures required:
   Minimum 20; Maximum 40
- Filing Nomination Period Dates (Declaration of Candidacy):
   November 10 December 5, 2003

If you have further questions or comments, please contact me.