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Candidate Filing Deadline Approaching

MAY 21, 2018, JUNEAU – The Alaska Division of Elections (DOE) reminds all Alaskans that the candidate filing deadline for the 2018 Primary and General Elections is 5 p.m. on Friday, June 1, 2018.

Election offices in Juneau, Anchorage, Mat-Su, Fairbanks and Nome will be open on June 1 to receive completed applications. Applications will not be accepted after the June 1, 2018, 5 p.m. deadline.

Anyone interested in running for office must submit a completed, signed and notarized declaration of candidacy along with their financial disclosure statement and designated filing fee on or before the deadline. The Division of Elections urges potential candidates to file their paperwork to ensure they meet qualifications.

“We want to make sure Alaskans who want to run for offices are able to exercise their right to do so,” said State Elections Director Josie Bahnke. “We look forward to working with each of the potential candidates to ensure their paperwork is properly filed so that we can certify their candidacy.”

Candidates with incomplete paperwork run a risk of not being certified if there are any problems with their declaration.

The division’s website includes valuable information on how to file:

<http://www.elections.alaska.gov/doc/forms/H05.pdf> as well as a list of people who have already filed.

DOE also encourages citizens to use the Online Voter Registration System:

<https://voterregistration.alaska.gov/> to register or update voter information that has been used by more than 52,000 Alaskans since it went live in 2015.

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