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Customer service is important and my team is here for you. Don't hesitate to contact us for help.

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Care and more...

# Happy Chanukkah Merry Christmas

*From your District 91 Team*



*Emily Slosberg*

Representative Emily Slosberg, District 91

# It's an Election Year Coming Up!

Next year there will be three big election dates: The presidential preference primary (and uniform municipal elections) on March 3; the Florida primary election on August 18; and the general election on November 3. As Americans, voting is one of our most cherished rights and also one of our biggest civic responsibilities. To vote in Florida, you must be registered at least 29 days ahead of the scheduled election. And don't forget that Florida is a "closed primary" state, so if you want to participate in a party's primary election, you must be registered with that party.

You can confirm your status as an active voter and verify your existing voter registration information by calling the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections office at (561) 656-6200 or by going online at [www.pbcelections.org](http://www.pbcelections.org). Also, if you want to update your signature for voting purposes, contact the Supervisor of Elections Office. If you are a new resident or a first-time voter, you'll want to register. That's the first step in exercising one of the most fundamental liberties of democracy.

If you have questions or need help, don't hesitate to call the District 91 office. Our team is here to serve you!



# Be Sure You're Counted in America's Big Count

Results of the 2020 Census will community funding, congressional representation as well as state and local redistricting for the next decade.



Over 300 federal programs give funding based on population as shown in the most recent census. This includes distribution of money for education, health care, public safety, infrastructure, nutrition and roads.



With about 1.5 million people in Palm Beach County, assistance comes to \$2.4 billion a year or about \$1,600 per person.



Census invitations will be mailed in mid-March of 2020, with one card per household covering everyone living at that address: Family members, roommates, caregivers, multiple families, etc.



The Census Bureau is bound by federal law to keep your information confidential. No identifiable information about you, your home, or business may be released, even to law enforcement officials.



The key dates include next March, when census cards will be mailed, asking for a response by April 1 – either online, by paper mail-back, telephone, or in-person. On December 31, 2020, the U.S. Census Bureau will report the population count and reapportioning of congressional seats. On March 31, 2020 data will be released for state and local redistricting. In Florida, the next reapportionment session will be in 2022.

## **Strengthening Protections for Sexual Assault Victims**

To empower victims of sexual assault and allow them ongoing access to information about test results from so-called “rape kits,” Rep. Slosberg introduced House Bill 541. Slated for consideration in the 2020 legislative session starting Jan. 14, the proposed legislation would address technical/procedural shortcomings in Florida’s existing criminal statutes. With support from law enforcement officials, HB 541 would require Florida’s Department of Law Enforcement to create a database for tracking sexual offence evidence kits and ensure that victims have access to information on the status of their case. Team Slosberg is working with closely with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and other stakeholders to address this important issue and support victims of sexual assault.

## **We’re Getting New Voting Machines!!**

Palm Beach County voters will be using new voting machines and a new way to make selections for our 2020 elections. The new machines, like the old ones, use paper ballots allowing for a paper trail and manual recounts if that’s ever necessary. But for voting, the new 2020 ballots require voters to fill in an oval to the left of their preferred candidate’s name (instead of connecting the ends of an arrow). Ballot instructions will now state that you must blacken the oval completely, and avoid making marks outside of the oval. Otherwise, your vote may not count. Also, voters should not cross out nor attempt to erase any choice. If you make a mistake or a stray mark, ask for a new ballot. As previously, you can request up to two new ballots if you make a mistake or want to re-mark your ballot.

And don’t forget that Florida is a “closed primary” state, which means voters may only vote for primary candidates of the party in which the voter is registered. Voters registered with no party affiliation, sometimes thought of as “independent voters,” are not eligible to vote for partisan candidates in a primary election. This is why it is important to indicate your preferred party affiliation at the time you register to vote.