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Collin County officials overlook voting machine failures, Citizens Left in the Dark

COLLIN COUNTY, Texas - Citizens Defending Freedom (CDF) is raising the alarm over significant failures discovered during recent Logic and Accuracy (L&A) testing of voting machines in Collin County. These failures, which occurred just days before the start of early voting, raise serious questions about the integrity of the upcoming election.

Key points:

- 1. A randomly selected DS-200 voting machine failed the critical hash validation test during the L&A testing on October 11, 2024.
- 2. A second machine initially failed without a root cause determined but passed on a subsequent attempt, raising questions about the consistency of the validation process.
- 3. The Collin County Election Office's remedy, involving a reset (ECQ reset) on only 16 machines out of hundreds, leaves the majority of voting machines untested and potentially compromised.
- 4. The need for a reset indicates that the voting system software may be modifying itself during normal operation, undermining the entire system's integrity.

"The failure of these hash validations is not just a technical glitch—it's a red flag that our entire voting system may be compromised," said Debbie Lindstrom, spokesperson for CDF. "The fact that running basic diagnostics can alter key files in the system is deeply troubling and undermines voter confidence."

CDF is calling for immediate action:

- 1. Perform the ECQ reset on all voting machines to be deployed, not just the 16 that were tested, or Allow election judges to run the reset procedure when unpacking equipment at polling places.
- 2. If these measures cannot be implemented, Collin County should immediately switch to its emergency continuity of operations plan for conducting the election.

"Voters deserve to know that their votes will be accurately counted," Lindstrom added. "We're asking all Collin County officials and the Texas Secretary of State to address these issues immediately and transparently before early voting begins."

CDF urges all concerned citizens to contact their local representatives and demand action on this critical issue.

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