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**MERRILL: TODAY IS THE DEADLINE TO
REGISTER ONLINE TO VOTE BEFORE
NOVEMBER 4, 2014 GENERAL ELECTION**

SECRETARY OF THE STATE REMINDS VOTERS THAT ONLINE AND MAIL-IN
REGISTRATIONS MUST BE COMPLETED OR POSTMARKED BY TODAY; MORE
THAN 76,000 NEW CT VOTERS HAVE REGISTERED SO FAR THIS YEAR

HARTFORD: Secretary of the State Denise Merrill today reminded eligible voters in Connecticut with driver's license that today is the deadline to go online to register to vote if they wish to cast a ballot in the November 4, 2014 general election. Secretary Merrill is encouraging every eligible Connecticut voter with a driver's license to go online at <https://voterregistration.ct.gov> to register to vote securely and quickly. The online voter registration processed can also be accessed through mobile apps available on either Google Play or the Apple app store. Any eligible voters in Connecticut wishing to register by mail must have their forms in the mail and postmarked today. The final deadline to register to vote in-person at town or city offices is Tuesday October 28th.

"We are now two weeks away from Election Day, and I want to encourage any eligible voter in our state with a driver's license to go online and register to vote today," said Secretary Merrill, Connecticut's top elections official. "Online voter registration is so easy and convenient, you can even do it from your smartphone or tablet. But anyone who wants to register online to vote must sign up by the end of today in order to vote November 4th. I urge every eligible voter: don't sit on the sidelines. Critical decisions about our state and federal government will be made by the people we elect to represent us Election Day. Make sure your voice is heard and register to vote!"

Secretary Merrill is also reporting that since the beginning of this year, more than 76,000 new Connecticut voters have registered, including 22,294 Democrats, 14,384 Republicans, and 37,918 unaffiliated voters. Overall in Connecticut there are currently 1,949,205 active registered voters, including 710,579 Democrats, 405,795 Republicans, and 812,986 unaffiliated voters. A complete listing of current and new registered voters

in Connecticut follows at the bottom of this news release. Secretary Merrill urges any U.S. citizen aged 18 or over to go online at www.sots.ct.gov/vote to find out if they are registered to vote, register to vote, find out where their polling place is located, or download an application for an absentee ballot if they will be out of town or physically unable to be in their polling place on Election Day Tuesday November 4, 2014. Polls will be open that day from 6:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. statewide for the general election.

<u>PARTY</u>	<u>COUNT</u>
A Better Future	2
A Brookfield Party	3
A Connecticut Party	1
A Sentinel Party	23
Canterbury First	2
Chatham Party	10
Democratic	710,579
Enfield Taxpayers Party	2
Friends Of Saybrook	13
Green	1,664
Guilty	1
Independence	13
Independence For Montville	8
Independent	15,927
Independent Choice	1
Libertarian	1,754
Milford Independent Party	6
Norwich for Change	1
Open	8
Pro-Bethel	2
Realistic Balance	4
Reform	10
Republican	405,795
South Windsor Citizens	1
Spring Glen Party	8
Swing	1
The Hampton Party	1
U-It	6
U/i	1
Unaffiliated	812,986
Unaffiliated (Conservative)	1
We The People	44
Winsted Independent	37
Working Families	290
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TOTAL	1,949,205

NEW ACTIVE REGISTERED CT VOTERS SINCE 1/1/14

PARTY	COUNT
Democratic	22,294
Green	97
Independent	1,665
Libertarian	205
Reform	1
Republican	14,384
U/i	1
Unaffiliated	37,918
Winsted Independent	1
Working Families	31
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TOTAL	76,597