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PROVINCIAL BY-ELECTIONS ARTHUR-VIRDEN AND MORRIS — TUESDAY JANUARY 28, 2014 ENUMERATION OF VOTERS SET TO BEGIN

Provincial by-elections have been called for the electoral divisions of Arthur-Virden and Morris and enumeration begins this weekend. Enumerators will visit door-to-door to collect the names of qualified voters for the voters list. Enumerators can be identified by their yellow Elections Manitoba vest and photo ID.

Manitobans who are residents of the provincial electoral divisions of Arthur-Virden or Morris are eligible to vote if they:

- are Canadian citizens
- are 18 years of age on or before election day
- have resided in Manitoba for at least six months immediately before election day

Between now and Friday, January 10, enumerators will visit each residence, several times if necessary, in an effort to obtain information for the voters list. If no one is home, the enumerator will leave a "Sorry We Missed You" card that explains how to get their name on the list.

As required by Manitoba's *Elections Act*, eligible voters are identified through enumeration. The voters list is essential for administering the election and door-to-door enumeration ensures a complete, accurate and up-to-date list.

Eligible voters will be asked for their name, address and phone number (if they wish to provide it). This information, compiled for use at the by-election, will also be given to the candidates and registered parties. If personal security is a concern, voters can apply to have their name omitted from the voters list.

Enumerators will also carry applications for homebound voting. Voters (and their caregivers) who are unable to go to a voting place due to a disability can vote in their home.

Landlords are reminded the law requires them to provide enumerators access to apartment buildings and condominiums.

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