



New York State Board of Elections

PROPOSED RESOLUTION 24-05

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE EARLY MAIL BALLOT APPLICATION FOR VILLAGES

WHEREAS, on September 20, 2023 the Governor signed into law Chapter 481 of the Laws of 2023 which provided for the New York Early Mail Voter Act; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 481 authorizes the use of early mail ballots in village elections; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 481 provides that an early mail ballot application for use by villages “shall be in a form prescribed by the state board of elections” (hereinafter “the State Board”); and

WHEREAS, the attached sample reflect the consensus of the State Board staff’s review of said application;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Board does hereby approve the sample early mail ballot application for villages as attached herewith and directs staff to distribute said sample immediately to village clerks and applicable agencies advising them to use the attached sample forthwith.

Instructions:

Who may apply for an early mail ballot at an election administered by a village?

You may use this application if you are a qualified voter who resides in a village for any election conducted by the village clerk. You may only apply on your own behalf.

Where and when to return your application:

Applications for an early mail ballot that will be delivered in-person at the office of the village clerk to the voter or an agent of the voter must be received not later than the day before the election. Applications for a ballot to be delivered by mail to the voter must be received by the village clerk no later than 7 days before the election.

Options available to you if you have an illness or disability:

You may sign the early mail ballot application yourself, or you may make your mark and have your mark witnessed in the spaces provided on the bottom of the application. Please note that a power of attorney or printed name stamp is not allowed for any voting purpose.

When your ballot will be sent:

For an application for ballot by mail, your early mail ballot materials will be sent to you at least six days before the election.