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August 6, 2021

Honorable Tahesha Way
Secretary of State
P.O. Box 300
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Re: Certification of Selection of Independent Member of Congressional
Redistricting Commission

Dear Secretary Way:

On August 6, 2021, the Supreme Court discussed the selection of an independent member of the Congressional Redistricting Commission in accordance with the New Jersey Constitution art. II, § 2, ¶ 1(c). As memorialized in the attached certification, the Court selected John E. Wallace, Jr. from among the two nominees presented by the twelve members of the Commission.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Heather Joy Baker".

Heather Joy Baker
Clerk of Court

enc.

cc: Supreme Court (via email)
Counsel to the Commission (via email)
John E. Wallace, Jr. (via email)

STATE OF NEW JERSEY :
: CERTIFICATION
COUNTY OF MERCER :

Heather Joy Baker, being of full age, does hereby certify:

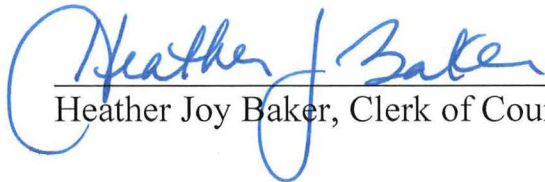
1. I am the Clerk of the Supreme Court of New Jersey and, on behalf of the Court, I submit this certification to report on the selection of an independent member of the Redistricting Commission to establish congressional districts following the 2020 Census.

2. Article II, Section II, Paragraph 1(c) of the New Jersey Constitution directs that “the Supreme Court shall by majority vote of its full authorized membership select, of the two persons . . . named” by the twelve appointed members of the Commission “the one more qualified by education and occupational experience, by prior public service in government or otherwise, and by demonstrated ability to represent the best interest of the people of this State, to be the independent member.”

3. The Court considered the two persons recommended by the Commission in light of the above standard and, by a majority vote, selected John E. Wallace, Jr. to serve as the independent member. Justice Fabiana Pierre-Louis did not participate in the Court’s decision.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

For the Court:


Heather Joy Baker, Clerk of Court

Dated: August 6, 2021