

WASHINGTON, DC - Congressman Robert C. "Bobby" Scott, (D-VA-3), sent letters Friday to registrars responsible for precincts in Virginia's Third Congressional District requesting that ample voting materials and equipment be provided on Election Day due to the record turnout of voters expected on November 4, 2008.

The text of Congressman Scott's letter to Richmond Registrar J. Kirk Showalter is below:

Mr. J. Kirk Showalter, General Registrar

City of Richmond

P.O. Box 61037

Richmond, VA 2361-1037

Dear Mr. Showalter:

I write to call your attention to the recent Advancement Project Report suggesting that Richmond will have precincts in which voting machines will be significantly less accessible in some minority communities than in majority communities, causing possible obstacles to voting in those minority communities. I have included a web address for the report for your convenience. <http://www.advancementproject.org/pdfs/vpp/PollingPlaceResourcesReport.pdf>

I have no independent information to indicate that there is such a problem in Richmond. However, in view of the report I feel it is important that we take all necessary steps to ensure that no such problem occurs and call it to your attention for your very able handling.

Very truly yours,

/S/

ROBERT C. "BOBBY" SCOTT

Member of Congress

The text of Congressman Scott's letter to Newport News Registrar Vicky V. Lewis is below:

Ms. Vicky V. Lewis

Voter Registrar

City of Newport News

Dear Ms. Lewis:

I write to call your attention to the recent Advancement Project Report suggesting that Newport News will have precincts in which voting machines will be significantly less accessible in some minority communities than in majority communities, causing possible obstacles to voting in those minority communities. I have included a web address for the report for your convenience.
<http://www.advancementproject.org/pdfs/vpp/PollingPlaceResourcesReport.pdf>

I have no independent information to indicate that there is such a problem in Newport News. However, in view of the report I feel it is important that we take all reasonable steps to ensure that no such problem occurs and call it to your attention for your very able handling.

Very truly yours

/S/

ROBERT C. "BOBBY" SCOTT

Member of Congress

The text of Congressman Scott's letter to Norfolk Registrar Elisa Long is below:

Ms. Elisa Long

Room 808

810 Union Street

Norfolk, VA 23510

Dear Ms. Long:

I write to call your attention to the recent Advancement Project Report suggesting that Norfolk will have precincts in which voting machines will be significantly less accessible in some minority communities than in majority communities, causing possible obstacles to voting in those minority communities. I have included a web address for the report for your convenience.
<http://www.advancementproject.org/pdfs/vpp/PollingPlaceResourcesReport.pdf>

I have no independent information to indicate that there is such a problem in Norfolk. However, in view of the report I feel it is important that we take all necessary steps to ensure that no such problem occurs and call it to your attention for your very able handling.

Very truly yours

/S/

ROBERT C. "BOBBY" SCOTT

Member of Congress

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