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The American Council for Election Technology Reaffirms Commitment to Political Neutrality

WASHINGTON (August 13, 2024) — The <u>American Council for Election Technology</u> (ACET) continues to recognize the importance of political neutrality and has reaffirmed its commitment to this stance with a recent unanimous Board resolution. Political neutrality is the principle of not endorsing, supporting, or opposing any political candidate or party in any election or capacity.

ACET was founded in 2022 as a national, nonpartisan trade association to advance policies and programs that support the use of election technology to ensure secure, accurate, accessible, and transparent elections. By reaffirming political neutrality, ACET ensures that its activities, communications, decisions, and core priorities are free from political bias and influence.

"ACET, myself, and its members are without question committed to the political neutrality principle. Through our work in advancing election technology inclusive of manufacturers and providers, it is essential that we foster our core priorities and mission without sway or influence of political bias", says Sara Cutter, Executive Director of ACET. "We will continue to power democracy through our unified and confident voice that aims to foster trust, transparency, and neutrality."

Within this resolution, ACET confirms that it will continuously review and update its policies and procedures to ensure they align with the underlying political neutrality principle and maintain best practice standards. In addition, the resolution states that ACET will ensure its communications are free of political bias or influence. The executed resolution can be viewed <u>here</u>.

About ACET

The American Council for Election Technology (ACET) is a national, nonpartisan trade association founded in 2022 to advance the use of technology in ensuring secure, accurate, accessible, and transparent elections. As a unified voice for election system providers, ACET influences state and federal policies while enhancing public understanding of voting and other election technologies. ACET member companies support a broad range of electoral processes, including voter registration, ballot printing, and vote counting, serving thousands of state, local, tribal, and territorial governments.

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