# NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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December 5, 2018

His Excellency, Governor Christopher Sununu and the Honorable Council State House Concord, N.H. 03301

Dear Governor Sununu:

As required by RSA 660:26 and RSA 663:4 respectively, I hereby submit the return of votes cast at the biennial election held on November 6, 2018 in the several towns and wards of the State for Representatives in Congress from the First and Second Districts and the proposed amendments to the New Hampshire Constitution.

Sincerely,

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The Secretary of State, pursuant to RSA 660:26, laid before the Governor and Executive Council, at their meeting held on December 5, 2018, the return of votes cast at the biennial election held on November 6, 2018 in the several towns and wards for Representatives in Congress from the First and Second Districts, and pursuant to RSA 663:4, the return of votes cast for the proposed amendments to the New Hampshire Constitution.

### For Representative in Congress First District

Chris Pappas, d, Manchester	155,884
Eddie Edwards, r, Dover	130,996
Dan Belforti, I, Portsmouth	4,048

### Second District

Ann McLane Kuster, d, Hopkinton		155,358
Steven Negron, r, Nashua	•	117,990
Justin O'Donnell, l, Nashua		6,206

and Chris Pappas, First District, and Ann McLane Kuster, Second District, having received the

largest number of votes cast in their respective districts for Representative in Congress were declared elected.

· Upon motion of Councilor \_\_\_\_\_, and duly seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_, His Excellency

the Governor was authorized to issue certificates in accordance with the foregoing report.

## Proposed Amendments to the New Hampshire Constitution

Question No. 1. "Are you in favor of amending article 8 of the first part of the constitution to read as follows:

[Art.] 8. [Accountability of Magistrates and Officers; Public's Right to Know.] All power residing originally in, and being derived from, the people, all the magistrates and officers of government are their substitutes-and-agents, and at-all-times-accountable-to-them. Government, therefore, should be open, accessible, accountable and responsive. To that end, the public's right of access to governmental proceedings and records shall not be unreasonably restricted. The public also has a right to an orderly, lawful, and accountable government. Therefore, any individual taxpayer eligible to vote in the State, shall have standing to petition the Superior Court to declare whether the State or political subdivision in which the taxpayer resides has spent, or has approved spending, public funds in violation of a law, ordinance, or constitutional provision. In such a case, the taxpayer shall not have to demonstrate that his or her personal rights were impaired or prejudiced beyond his or her status as a taxpayer. However, this right shall not apply when the challenged governmental action is the subject of a judicial or administrative decision from which there is a right of appeal by statute or otherwise by the parties to that proceeding."

#### YES 411,518

NO 86,135

Question No. 2. "Are you in favor of amending the first part of the constitution by inserting after article 2a a new article to read as follows:

[Art.] 2-b. [Right to Privacy.] An individual's right to live free from governmental intrusion in private or personal information is natural, essential, and inherent."

**YES** 409,325

NO 96,019