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Hillsborough County, FL – Hillsborough County Supervisor of Elections Craig Latimer is calling on the community to spend a few minutes online now to prepare for the 2020 Primary and General Elections.

In a video posted on social media (https://vimeo.com/402310233), Supervisor Latimer is encouraging the community to visit VoteHillsborough.org to register to vote, or, if already registered, to confirm that their voter information is up-to-date and to submit a request for Vote By Mail ballots.

“It was heartbreaking to get calls on Election Day from voters who couldn’t leave their house and had planned to vote on Election Day. If you request Vote By Mail, that won’t happen. You’ll get your ballot at home, and you can mail it back or drop it off in person once you’ve voted,” says Supervisor Latimer.

Unlike some states, Florida already has no-excuse Vote By Mail, and it is the preferred voting method for about one third of Hillsborough County’s voters.

“But we need more,” says Supervisor Latimer. “In 2020, a significant increase in Vote By Mail will be the key to managing crowds and wait time during in-person voting.”

For those who can’t visit VoteHillsborough.org, Supervisor Latimer has staff working remotely who are processing paper applications, taking phone calls, answering emails and scheduling appointments when necessary.

Address updates, Vote By Mail requests and general questions can be handled by phone at (813) 612-4180 or (813) 744-5900, or email at voter@hcsoe.org. Those who have questions about filing or qualifying to run for office should call (813) 384-3944.