REMOVAL OF EARLY VOTED BALLOTS FROM ENVELOPES Saturday August 29, 2020 at 7:30 A.M.

- 1. We will begin checking off all Early Voting and Absentee Ballots received by 4:00 on August 28, 2020 on the Voter's List.
- 2. The second step is to open all the inner privacy envelopes and remove the ballot without examining it in a manner that will ensure the privacy of the voter and then flatten the folded ballots.
- 3. For the final step the uncounted, now separated from their envelopes, will be sealed in containers and securely stored.

This process is open to observers and will be held at the Edgartown Town Hall, 70 Main Street.

During polling hours on September 1, 2020 the containers will be unsealed and the advance processed ballots will be counted with all other ballots received by the close of polls.

Advance Ballot Processing is our effort to efficiently manage the large volume of Early Voting/Absentee Ballots received, reduce the number of poll workers required on Election Day and allow in person voters on Election Day to move through the polls in the most expedient manner possible, for the safety of all.

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Karen R. Medeiros Edgartown Town Clerk