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## Secretary of State Ysursa Declares September National Voter Registration Month

Promotes Increased Awareness for the Friday, October 10, 2014 Voter Registration Deadline & idahovotes.gov election resources

(Boise, Idaho) – Secretary of State Ben Ysursa today joins fellow members of the National Association of Secretaries of State (NASS) in reminding citizens that September 2014 is National Voter Registration Month. Secretary Ysursa is working with Idaho's federal, state and local leaders to make eligible voters aware of registration deadlines and requirements for the November 4 General Election.

"Participation is the essence of Democracy and I encourage all eligible voters to check their registration status online or with their County Clerk before going to the polls in November," Ysursa commented.

Voters can check their registration status and find their polling place on <u>idahovotes.gov</u>. Complete information and registration cards are available on the website or voters can contact their County Clerk directly. The last day to pre-register in Idaho is Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup>. Completed registration cards must be postmarked by Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup>.

Eligible citizens who are 18 years of age or older may register to vote if they are a United States citizen and a resident in Idaho and in the county for 30 days prior to the election. Updating voter registration information is critical for people who have recently moved, changed their name, or had their voting rights restored under the law.

Idaho is one of eight states that offer Election Day Registration. However, voters can save time at the polls by registering early.

The National Association of Secretaries of State (NASS) has also declared September 23, 2014, as National Voter Registration Day. For more information on voter registration and deadlines in Idaho, please visit idahovotes.gov today.