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EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT

**Defending Our Democracy: A Conversation about Election Cybersecurity
with Secretary of State Jim Condos**

Montpelier, VT – On Thursday, April 19th from 4pm to 6pm Vermont Secretary of State Jim Condos will be hosting a forum on election cybersecurity at the Pavilion Auditorium, located at 109 State Street in Montpelier.

“Elections are the core of our democracy, and ensuring the security and integrity of our elections is a top priority” said Secretary Condos. “In this age of technological advances and the growing cyber threat posed by foreign adversaries, ensuring free and fair elections has become increasingly complicated. I’d like to invite members of the public, the media, state or local officials, and any other interested individuals to attend and learn about what we’re doing in Vermont to safeguard your vote.”

Secretary Condos will be joined by Deputy Secretary of State Chris Winters, Elections Director Will Senning and Matt McCann from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), a national partner with Vermont in election cybersecurity efforts.

“The Department of Homeland Security values our partnership with Secretary Condos as we work together to improve the security of the election process” said DHS Senior Cybersecurity Advisor Matt Masterson. “Secretary Condos and the local election officials across the state are committed to providing secure and resilient elections to the voters of Vermont. We will continue to work with Secretary Condos and state and local officials across the nation to provide the support necessary to ensure a smooth and secure election process.”

The presentation will cover background information on recent events impacting election cybersecurity and the safeguards in place protecting Vermont’s voter registration and election systems. There will be dedicated time for questions from attendees. The forum is open to all and no registration is required.

Event Details

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Pavilion Auditorium, 109 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05602

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