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Prescribed by Secretary of State  
Sections 127.093, 127.098, Texas Election Code  
09/2023

### **CERTIFICATION OF THIRD TEST OF AUTOMATED TABULATING EQUIPMENT USED AT THE CENTRAL COUNTING STATION**

I, the Presiding Judge of the Central Counting Station do hereby certify that the third  
test of the automatic tabulating equipment to be used to count the ballots for the

*J. Perry* Election to be held on 3 / 3 / 26  
(name of election) (date of election)

was conducted using a predetermined number of valid votes for each candidate and for  
and against each proposition on the ballot for the election. [Sec. 127.094]

The test was successful and was concluded at 10:51 am on 3 / 10 / 26  
(time) (date)

*Richard Heizer* *Stella Hunt*  
Printed Name of Presiding Judge of Central Counting Station

*Richard Heizer* *Stella Hunt*  
Signature of Presiding Judge of Central Counting Station

#### **NOTE TO PRESIDING JUDGE:**

If the initial third test conducted under Section 127.093(d) is unsuccessful, the count of ballots  
voted in the election obtained with the automatic tabulating equipment is void.

If the initial third test is successful, the automatic count of ballots voted in the election is valid for  
the purpose of certifying the election returns prepared at the central counting station. The  
Presiding Judge shall certify in writing that the initial test was successful and the date and hour  
the test was completed. The certification shall be retained with the test materials.

If the initial third test was unsuccessful, the testing authorities shall follow the procedure  
prescribed by Section 127.097. When a test is successful, the ballots to be counted  
automatically shall immediately be counted. Immediately on completing the automatic count, the  
equipment shall again be tested, and if the initial test is successful the automatic count is valid  
for the purpose of certifying the election returns. Otherwise, the automatic ballot count is void.  
The procedure prescribed by 127.098(c) shall be repeated until a valid automatic count is  
obtained or the testing authorities determine that obtaining a valid automatic count is  
impracticable. In that case, the ballots shall be counted manually. [Sec. 127.098]