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## **Important Message:** Reconvening of Annual Meeting and Board Elections

Dear HCHSAA Members,

We apologize for the unforeseen technical and procedural difficulties that impacted start times and audio playback during our June 1, 2024 Annual Meeting.

Unfortunately, these technical issues hindered virtual attendees from voicing comments, asking questions, or casting votes in real time during the meeting. While we were gratified by the number of members who attended (including those who submitted proxies), the members who attended on zoom were unable to fully participate. Therefore, as a matter of fairness and in compliance with New York non-profit law, we have determined that any votes cast at the meeting were invalid.

As a result, we will reconvene the Annual Meeting for the purpose of retaking all votes, including the election of Board members. We plan to hold the Reconvened Annual Meeting on **Tuesday June 25th at 7 pm Eastern Standard Time** so please save the date if you plan to attend. In light of the fact that the June 1 meeting started late and we ran out of time, we will also provide members with an additional opportunity to discuss the Association's financial report and ask any other questions they may have. Given the challenges of the hybrid format and the fact that many of you do not live in New York, we will be holding the reconvened meeting **virtually only**. We are exploring options for more reliable digital platforms and live voting that will meet our requirements.

We will send a formal notice to members of the Reconvened Annual Meeting when all the details have been settled, including virtual login information and instructions to members regarding participation. **If you submitted a proxy prior to the Annual Meeting, your original proxy will remain valid.** Additional instructions will follow regarding revoking or changing a proxy or submitting a proxy if you attended the June 1, 2024 Annual Meeting but are unable to attend the Reconvened Annual Meeting on June 25, 2024 and want to vote.

Thank you for your understanding and we look forward to your participation in the June 25th meeting.