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## Santa Cruz County

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The Honorable Adrian Fontes  
Arizona Secretary of State  
1700 W. Washington St., 7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Phoenix, AZ 85007-2888

Dear Secretary Fontes:

This letter is to inform you that a hand count of ballots voted in the various Vote Centers in Santa Cruz County and a hand count audit of returned early ballots was not conducted for the July 30, 2024, Primary Election.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-602 (B)(1), “The county political party chairman of each political party... shall conduct the selection of the precincts to be hand counted.” The County did not receive the participation from one or both county political party chairman at the designated time for the random selection. Therefore, a hand count was not performed.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

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