We've provided a sample letter that you can personalize to ensure our elections can proceed securely and on time.

SAMPLE LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

We are living in uncertain times. We don't know how long we will need to shelter-in-place. And we don't know how bad this pandemic will be.

One thing we do know is that we must continue to hold major elections in 2020. Our democracy cannot halt in crisis.

Allowing every eligible Granite Stater to have the option to cast a no-excuse absentee ballot by mail will help guarantee that our elections are conducted safely and efficiently.

New Hampshire is one of only 16 states in the country that requires an excuse to cast an absentee ballot. That needs to change.

Governor Sununu can use his powers to permit every New Hampshire voter to have the option to cast an absentee ballot by mail in the upcoming municipal and general elections. Governor Sununu and Secretary of State Gardner recently announced that voters will be allowed to cast mail-in ballots in November if the coronavirus is still a factor. But we need Governor Sununu to join Secretary Gardner in issuing an order to guarantee absentee voting options for all voters in the 2020 elections.

During this crisis, New Hampshire must ensure that a no-excuse absentee vote-by-mail option will complement safe in-person voting options. We need to call on Governor Sununu to definitively act.

Paper: New Hampshire Union Leader

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