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Auditor Matt Beaton Invited to Speak at U.S. Election Assistance Commission Language Access for Voters Summit in Washington, DC

Pasco, WA, July 20, 2018 — The U.S. Election Assistance Commission has invited Franklin County Auditor Matt Beaton to Washington, DC to be part of the Language Access for Voters Summit Panel to discuss trends in election administration and their impact on language access. The event will convene state and local election officials, advocates and stakeholders from around the nation on Tuesday, July 24 to discuss critical issues of language accessibility. See details at www.eac.gov – agenda attached.

Matt Beaton and other panelists representing Asian American, Latino, American Indian, Alaskan Native, and additional language communities from across the country will discuss demographic changes, the Section 203 designation process, federal requirements under the Voting Rights Act, voluntary and proactive language assistance, as well as strategies for cost-effective services.

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