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Earlier today, MOA Elections was contacted by voters who reported theft of Vote by Mail ballot packages in the Chugiak area. The location of the reported theft was in the vicinity of Whispering Birch Drive, Oberg Road and Deer Park Drive. Forty-six ballot packages were turned in to the Chugiak Post Office.

The Municipal Clerk's Office filed theft reports with the United States Postal Service Inspector General and the Anchorage Police Department. The APD Case Number is 18-502374. If anyone witnessed this crime or if someone has evidence of the crime, they are urged to contact APD by calling Dispatch at 786-8900, referencing Case #18-502374. Citizens may also contact Crime Stoppers at 561-STOP(7867).

The ballot packages turned in to the Chugiak Post Office were damaged and wet. The stolen ballot packages will be voided and new ballot packages will be issued to the voters.

The Clerk's Office thanks the alert community members who brought this to our attention, as their actions help us to ensure the integrity of the election. The Clerk's Office considers reports of ballot tampering and theft of ballot packages as very serious and will follow up on those reports for referral to APD and the USPS Inspector General.

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