Lower urges rejection of school ballot

Leaders encourage voters to turn out, bring friends

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VILLAS — “Make sure you get out and vote ‘no’,” Mayor Michael Beck advised Mon-
day night concerning a Dec. 9 ballot question. A special election for the three municipalities that com-
grip the Lower Cape May Regional School District was called for Dec. 9. The polling places are
open from 2 to 9 p.m. The single ballot question asks whether Cape May should be allowed to form a new school
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