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**NOV. 2 IS THE LAST CHANCE FOR VOTERS TO HAVE A SAY
IN TEXAS' LEADERSHIP AND DIRECTION**

Austin, TX--

To have a voice in deciding the officials who will lead Texas, registered voters who did not cast a ballot during early voting must go to the polls on Tuesday, November 2. "There is much at stake for all Texans in the November 2 General Election," said Karen Nicholson, President of LWV-Texas. "Those elected will be the ones making decisions on jobs and the economy, education, the environment, transportation, and other crucial topics that impact daily lives across Texas."

Nicholson also reminded voters that their ballot may be quite lengthy, depending on local issues or propositions and the number of state and regional candidates seeking election, and she encouraged them to be sure to complete the entire ballot.

On Nov. 2, polls are open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. In most parts of the state voters must go to the polling location for the precinct in which they are registered. Voters unsure of where to vote can contact their county elections administrator or check online at <http://votexas.org/>.

Voters should bring identification with them to the polls. The current voter registration certificate is best because the bar code may reduce the time it takes to verify registration. Voters who have lost or misplaced their voter registration certificate can vote by providing other identification (e.g., drivers license, DPS personal identification card, utility bill, bank statement, government document with name and address).

A voter whose name does not appear on the list of registered voters or who does not have proper identification will be offered a provisional ballot. That ballot will be counted if the individual is registered to vote and at the correct polling location.

Election officials at the polls can assist voters in understanding how to cast their ballot but cannot influence a voter's decision on the choice among candidates or on ballot initiatives. Voters can find nonpartisan information on candidates and issues in the Voters Guides of LWV-Texas and local Leagues in Texas at www.lwwvtexas.org.

Texas law provides that voters have a right to cast their ballot in secret and free from intimidation. Anyone concerned about possible violations of voting rights can call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-252-8683, their county elections administrator, or their county attorney.

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