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**UNLESS YOU'RE REGISTERED TO VOTE,  
YOU WON'T HAVE A SAY ON WHO LEADS TEXAS!**

(Austin, TX) "To have a voice in Texas' future, Texans should act now to make sure they are registered to vote before the October 4 deadline," says LWV-Texas President Karen Nicholson. "Texas ranked 46th among the states in voter eligible turnout in the 2008 elections—surely Texas can and should do better," adds Nicholson, "but Texas will only improve if eligible voters register by the deadline and then turn out to vote in the November 2 General Election."

General Election voters will determine who will lead Texas and make crucial decisions on the future of the state. Voters will decide the governor and other members of the executive branch, members of Congress, the state legislature, members of the judiciary, and county and other local officials.

To register to vote in Texas, an individual must be a citizen of the United States, a resident in a Texas county, and at least 18 years of age by election day. A voter's registration remains in effect unless the voter changes his/her residence.

Texas voters can check to see if they are registered by calling their county Voter Registration Office or by clicking "Find out if you are already registered" under Register to Vote on the Secretary of State's VOTEXAS website: <http://votexas.org>.

Those who wish to register to vote in Texas may do so by visiting their county Voter Registration office or completing and mailing the voter registration application that can be found at post offices, libraries, Department of Public Service Offices, or downloaded from <http://votexas.org>.

LWV--Texas, a nonpartisan organization, has been encouraging active and informed civic participation in government and increased understanding of major public policy issues for more than 90 years and believes there is no more important form of civic participation than voting!

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