

**SPECIMEN BALLOT  
MACOUPIN COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
GENERAL ELECTION  
NOVEMBER 6, 2012**

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS SPECIMEN BALLOT IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE OFFICES AND CANDIDATES TO BE VOTED IN THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN MACOUPIN COUNTY ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2012.



PETE DUNCAN, COUNTY CLERK  
MACOUPIN COUNTY, ILLINOIS

<b>STATE "NOTICE"</b>
<p align="center"><b>THE FAILURE TO VOTE THIS BALLOT MAY BE THE EQUIVALENT OF A NEGATIVE VOTE, BECAUSE A CONVENTION SHALL BE CALLED OR THE AMENDMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE IF APPROVED BY EITHER THREE-FIFTHS OF THOSE VOTING ON THE QUESTION OR A MAJORITY OF THOSE VOTING IN THE ELECTION. (THIS IS NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS A DIRECTION THAT YOUR VOTE IS REQUIRED TO BE CAST EITHER IN FAVOR OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSITION HEREIN CONTAINED.)</b></p> <p align="center"><b>WHETHER YOU VOTE THIS BALLOT OR NOT YOU MUST RETURN IT TO THE ELECTION JUDGE WHEN YOU LEAVE THE VOTING BOOTH".</b></p> <p align="center">CONSTITUTION BALLOT</p> <p align="center">PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 1970 ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION</p> <p align="center">Explanation of Amendment</p> <p>Upon approval by the voters, the proposed amendment, which takes effect on January 9, 2013, adds a new section to the General Provisions Article of the Illinois Constitution. The new section would require a three-fifths majority vote of each chamber of the General Assembly, or the governing body of a unit of local government, school district, or pension or retirement system, in order to increase a benefit under any public pension or retirement system. At the general election to be held on November 6, 2012, you will be called upon to decide whether the proposed amendment should become part of the Illinois Constitution.</p> <p>If you believe the Illinois Constitution <u>should be amended</u> to require a three-fifths majority vote in order to increase a benefit under any public pension or retirement system, you should vote "YES" on the question. If you believe the Illinois Constitution <u>should not be amended</u> to require a three-fifths majority vote in order to increase a benefit under any public pension or retirement system, you should vote "NO" on the question. Three-fifths of those voting on the question or a majority of those voting in the election must vote "YES" in order for the amendment to become effective on January 9, 2013.</p> <p>For the proposed addition of Section 5.1 to Article XIII of the Illinois Constitution.</p> <p>YES NO</p>
<b>FEDERAL</b>
<p align="center"><b>FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (Vote for one)</b></p> <p><b>MITT ROMNEY</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>PAUL RYAN</b></p> <p><b>BARACK OBAMA</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small> <b>JOE BIDEN</b></p> <p><b>GARY JOHNSON</b> <small>LIBERTARIAN</small> <b>JAMES P. GRAY</b></p> <p><b>JILL STEIN</b> <small>GREEN</small> <b>HOWIE HAWKINS</b> <small>Write-In</small></p>
<b>CONGRESSIONAL</b>
<p align="center"><b>FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS THIRTEENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for one)</b></p> <p><b>RODNEY DAVIS</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>DAVID M. GILL</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small> <b>JOHN HARTMAN</b> <small>INDEPENDENT</small></p>

<b>LEGISLATIVE</b>
<p align="center"><b>FOR STATE SENATOR FORTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT (Vote for one)</b></p> <p><b>MIKE McELROY</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>ANDY MANAR</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small></p>
<p align="center"><b>FOR STATE SENATOR FIFTIETH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT (Vote for one)</b></p> <p><b>WILLIAM "SAM" McCANN</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>No Candidate</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small></p>
<b>REPRESENTATIVE</b>
<p align="center"><b>FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY NINETY-FIFTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT (Vote for one)</b></p> <p><b>WAYNE ARTHUR ROSENTHAL</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>BRAD GILLESPIE</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small></p>
<p align="center"><b>FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ONE HUNDREDTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT (Vote for one)</b></p> <p><b>JIM WATSON</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>No Candidate</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small></p>
<b>COUNTY</b>
<p align="center"><b>FOR CIRCUIT CLERK (Vote for one)</b></p> <p><b>No Candidate</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>MIKE MATHIS</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small></p>
<p align="center"><b>FOR STATE'S ATTORNEY (Vote for one)</b></p> <p><b>No Candidate</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>JENNIFER A. WATSON</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small></p>
<p align="center"><b>FOR CORONER (Vote for one)</b></p> <p><b>No Candidate</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>BRAD B. TARGHETTA</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small></p>
<b>COUNTY BOARD</b>
<p align="center"><b>FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT ONE (Vote for not more than two)</b></p> <p><b>No Candidate</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>MIKE TRANTER</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small> <b>ROBERT L. (BOB) VOJAS</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small></p>
<p align="center"><b>FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT TWO (Vote for not more than two)</b></p> <p><b>No Candidate</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>FRANCIS WIESEMAN</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small> <b>OLIVER GORDON SCHWALLENSTECKER</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small> <small>Write-in</small></p>
<p align="center"><b>FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT THREE (Vote for not more than two)</b></p> <p><b>FRANK S. LONG</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>JULIA H. WATSON</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small></p>
<p align="center"><b>FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT FOUR (Vote for not more than two)</b></p> <p><b>No Candidate</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>MARK G. DRAGOVICH</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small> <b>DAVID THOMAS</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small></p>

<b>COUNTY BOARD</b>
<p align="center"><b>FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT FIVE (Vote for not more than two)</b></p> <p><b>No Candidate</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>RUTH ANN POMATTO</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small> <b>JIM "ZIRK" ZIRKELBACH</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small></p>
<p align="center"><b>FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT SIX (Vote for not more than two)</b></p> <p><b>WILLIAM A. HARDING</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>ROBERT K. QUARTON</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small> <b>JUDY BACON</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small></p>
<p align="center"><b>FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT SEVEN (Vote for not more than two)</b></p> <p><b>BERNARD C. KIEL</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>KEVIN L. NICHELSON</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small> <b>SHIELDA K. LEWIS</b> <small>INDEPENDENT</small></p>
<p align="center"><b>FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT EIGHT (Vote for not more than two)</b></p> <p><b>HARRY STARR IV</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>ROBERT "TONY" WIGGINS</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small> <b>FRANCES GOODMAN</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small></p>
<p align="center"><b>FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT NINE (Vote for not more than two)</b></p> <p><b>TODD ARMOUR</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>VERYL D. REIHER</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>RAYMOND COATNEY</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small> <b>LYNDAL L. HERSCHELMAN</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small></p>
<b>EDUCATIONAL SERVICE REGION</b>
<p align="center"><b>FOR REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (CHRISTIAN AND MONTGOMERY COUNTIES) (For an unexpired two year term) (Vote for one)</b></p> <p><b>MARCHELLE KASSEBAUM</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>No Candidate</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small></p>
<p align="center"><b>FOR REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (BROWN, CASS, MORGAN AND SCOTT COUNTIES) (For an unexpired two year term) (Vote for one)</b></p> <p><b>No Candidate</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>JEFFREY R. STEPHENS</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small></p>
<b>JUDICIAL</b>
<p align="center"><b>FOR JUDGE OF THE APPELLATE COURT FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT (To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Sue E. Myerscough) (Vote for one)</b></p> <p><b>CAROL POPE</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>No Candidate</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small></p>

<b>JUDICIAL</b>
<p align="center"><b>FOR JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT (To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Thomas R. Appleton) (Vote for one)</b></p> <p><b>JOHN SCHMIDT</b> <small>REPUBLICAN</small> <b>TIMOTHY J. LONDRIGAN</b> <small>DEMOCRATIC</small></p>
<b>JUDICIAL RETENTION</b>
<p align="center"><b>BALLOT FOR JUDICIAL CANDIDATES SEEKING RETENTION IN OFFICE</b></p> <p>"Vote on the Proposition with respect to all or any of the Judges listed on this ballot. No Judge listed is running against any other Judge. The sole question is whether each Judge shall be retained in his present office."</p>
<b>SUPREME COURT JUDGE</b>
<p align="center"><b>SHALL RITA B. GARMAN be retained in office as JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT?</b></p> <p>YES NO</p>
<b>APPELLATE COURT JUDGE</b>
<p align="center"><b>SHALL JOHN TURNER be retained in office as JUDGE OF THE APPELLATE COURT FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT?</b></p> <p>YES NO</p>
<b>CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE</b>
<p align="center"><b>SHALL PATRICK KELLEY be retained in office as JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT?</b></p> <p>YES NO</p>
<p align="center"><b>SHALL LESLIE J. GRAVES be retained in office as JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT?</b></p> <p>YES NO</p>
<p align="center"><b>SHALL JOHN BELZ be retained in office as JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT?</b></p> <p>YES NO</p>
<p align="center"><b>SHALL ERIC S. PISTORIUS be retained in office as JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT?</b></p> <p>YES NO</p>
<p align="center"><b>SHALL KENNETH R. DEIHL be retained in office as JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT?</b></p> <p>YES NO</p>

<b>PROPOSITION</b>
<p align="center"><b>CITY OF BENLD OPT-OUT ENERGY AGGREGATION PROGRAM</b></p> <p>Shall the City of Benld have the authority to arrange for the supply of electricity for its residential and small commercial retail customers who have not opted out of such program? YES NO</p>
<p align="center"><b>CITY OF GILLESPIE OPT-OUT ENERGY AGGREGATION PROGRAM</b></p> <p>Shall the City of Gillespie have the authority to arrange for the supply of electricity for its residential and small commercial retail customers who have not opted out of such program? YES NO</p>
<p align="center"><b>CITY OF STAUNTON OPT-OUT ENERGY AGGREGATION PROGRAM</b></p> <p>Shall Staunton have the authority to arrange for the supply of electricity for its residential and small commercial retail customers who have not opted out of such a program? YES NO</p>
<p align="center"><b>CITY OF STAUNTON TRASH FRANCHISE CONTRACT</b></p> <p>Shall Staunton pursue a trash franchise contract with a single trash/recycling company for the benefit of the residents of Staunton? YES NO</p>
<p align="center"><b>CITY OF BUNKER HILL OPT-OUT ENERGY AGGREGATION PROGRAM</b></p> <p>Shall the City of Bunker Hill have the authority to arrange for the supply of electricity for its residential and small commercial retail customers who have not opted out of such program? YES NO</p>
<p align="center"><b>WAVERLY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #6</b></p> <p>Shall members of the Board of Education of Waverly Community Unit School District #6, Macoupin, Morgan and Sangamon Counties, Illinois, be elected at large from within the school district and without restriction by area of residence within the school district? YES NO</p>
<p align="center"><b>NILWOOD TOWNSHIP</b></p> <p>Shall the present maximum rate of .5604% of the value, as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue on the taxable property of Nilwood Township for road purposes be increased to a maximum rate of .9400 on such taxable property? YES NO</p>