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League of Women Voters of Texas: You Know Your Vote Counts!

Austin, TX. - Tuesday, November 8, 2016 is election day. Across the State of Texas, citizens will be voting on local candidates and propositions, judges, commissioners, representatives, and State Board of Education members, as well as for the President of the United States. The League encourages all eligible voters to exercise their right to vote and weigh in on the elections in their community.

"When you vote, you are taking a stand on the issues that matter most to you. These elections are about our jobs, our health, our communities, our security and our future. Together, through our votes, we take control," said Elaine Wiant, president of the League of Women Voters of Texas.

The League is proud to provide more voter-friendly information than any other election source through VOTE411.org, our nonpartisan "one-stop-shop" for all election related material and our gold standard [Voters Guide](#). The League of Women Voters of Texas' [Voters Guide](#) is distributed in print to libraries across the state and is also available on the [League website](#). The [Voters Guide](#) and [VOTE411](#) prepare voters with more information about candidates, up and down the ballot, and issues than any other voter resource and also provides voting tools including polling addresses, and elections official look-up. VOTE411.org is the single best resource to help voters get ready for November 8th.

"When you go to vote, don't give up -- long lines, voter ID issues, voting machine problems, wrong information -- no matter what you encounter, stay and VOTE. Voting brings us together as Americans - it is the one time when we are all equal." Wiant asserts. "Voting is your opportunity to support your community and have a say in America's future. Every vote counts and all votes make a difference. Go vote today!"

Information for Texas voters:

Long lines:

- Long lines can be discouraging, but if you are in line when the polls close, you have a right to vote.
- We urge voters to be patient and to stay in line to cast your vote. Join your neighbors in strengthening your community by voting.

Voter ID:

- Don't let confusion get in the way of your right to vote. Texas requires specific photo IDs or if you do not have one of the specified IDs, you may sign a form and provide a range of alternative IDs.
- Check the [Texas League's website](#) to find detailed ID requirements.

Voting Machine Problems:

- If you experience a machine breaking down or hear of machines breaking at your polling location, stay and vote!
- The problem may get resolved, otherwise you will be able to cast a provisional ballot so that your vote will still be counted.

Misinformation:

- Throughout the election year the League has worked tirelessly to make voting accessible and provide accurate and updated information to voters on our election tool, [VOTE411.org](#).
- If you believe you are hearing inaccurate information at the polls, check [www.VOTE411.org](#) and call 1-866-OUR-VOTE (866-687-8683) for assistance.

Voter Intimidation:

- The League of Women Voters supports free and fair elections.
- It is the right of every citizen to cast his or her vote without intimidation.
- If you feel threatened or intimidated at the polls, call 1-866-OUR-VOTE or tweet your concern to @866ourvote.



*The League of Women Voters of Texas has been "educating and agitating" since 1919. The League is nonpartisan - it does not support or oppose any candidates or parties. Instead, the League encourages active and informed civic participation in government and increased understanding of major public policy issues. The League of Women Voters' non-partisan **Voters Guide** is highly respected and sought after by voters in local and statewide elections in Texas.*