

## November 06, 2012 GENERAL ELECTION

### REFERENDA as of August 31, 2012

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#### STATE OF ILLINOIS

Proposed Amendment To The 1970 Illinois Constitution

"NOTICE

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.**)

**WHETHER YOU VOTE THIS BALLOT OR NOT YOU MUST RETURN IT TO THE ELECTION JUDGE WHEN YOU LEAVE THE VOTING BOOTH".**

#### CONSTITUTION BALLOT

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE 1970 ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION

#### Explanation of Amendment

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.

If you believe the Illinois Constitution should be amended 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 should not be amended 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.

For the proposed addition of Section 5.1 to Article XIII of the Illinois Constitution.

#### VILLAGE OF WAUCONDA

Proposition To Issue Bonds To The Amount Of \$41,000,000

Shall the Village of Wauconda, Lake County, Illinois, for the purpose of paying the costs of improvements and extensions to the existing water and water supply system of said Village, including such improvements and extensions as are sufficient to provide access to Lake Michigan water, and for expenses incident thereto, issue its bonds to the amount of \$41,000,000 for the purpose of paying the costs thereof?

## **VILLAGE OF FOX LAKE**

Public Question Regarding Program For Aggregation of Electricity

Shall the Village of Fox Lake of Lake and McHenry Counties, Illinois, 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?

## **VILLAGE OF LAKE BARRINGTON**

Public Question Regarding Program For Aggregation Of Electricity

Shall the Village of Lake Barrington 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?

## **VILLAGE OF HAWTHORN WOODS**

Public Question Regarding Program for Aggregation of Electricity

Shall the Village of Hawthorn Woods 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?

## **VILLAGE OF ISLAND LAKE**

Proposition To Determine Whether To Appoint Or Elect The Village Clerk

Shall the Village Clerk of the Village of Island Lake be appointed by the Mayor with the concurrence of the Village Board rather than elected?

## **VILLAGE OF ISLAND LAKE**

Advisory Question

Shall the Village of Island Lake, Illinois undertake a multi-million dollar obligation to construct a combined public safety facility?

## **CITY OF HIGHWOOD**

Proposition To Reduce The Size Of The Highwood City Council And The Manner And Selection Of Aldermen

Shall the City of Highwood eliminate wards in the City and restrict the number of aldermen to six, with all such aldermen to be elected at large in a system of staggered terms, three aldermen having an initial term of four years and three aldermen having an initial term of two years, with each successive term being four years?

## **CITY OF HIGHWOOD**

Proposition To Increase The Monthly 911 Emergency Telephone System Surcharge

Shall the City of Highwood impose an increase of one dollar (\$1.00) per month to raise the current monthly surcharge from one dollar (\$1.00) per month to two dollars (\$2.00) per month per network connection, which surcharge will be added to the monthly bill you receive for telephone or telecommunication charges, for the purpose of improving and maintaining the 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone System?

## **AVON TOWNSHIP**

Advisory Question

Should the United States Constitution be amended to limit the use of corporate, special interests, and private money in any political activity, including influencing the election of any candidate for public office?

## **WARREN TOWNSHIP**

Advisory Question

Should the United States Constitution be amended to clearly state that only individual persons, and not corporations, associations, or any other organizational entities, are entitled to the rights enumerated in the Constitution?

## **WARREN TOWNSHIP**

Public Question On Electrical Aggregation

Shall Warren Township 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?

## **ARLINGTON HEIGHTS PARK DISTRICT**

Proposition To Issue \$39,000,000 Park Bonds

Shall the Arlington Heights Park District, Cook and Lake Counties, Illinois, improve through renovation and new construction the parks and community centers at Camelot, Frontier, Heritage and Recreation Parks and Olympic Indoor Swim Center; acquire park equipment; improve, maintain and protect neighborhood parks and facilities; and issue its bonds to the amount not to exceed \$39,000,000 for the purpose of paying the costs thereof?