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Secretary Detzner Reminds Floridians of October 9 Voter Registration Deadline for General Election

~Extended hours for the Voter Assistance Hotline available leading up to deadline~

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.— Secretary of State Ken Detzner reminds Floridians that the deadline for registering to vote in the upcoming General Election is this Tuesday, October 9. Voters can find resources and information to *Get Ready. Get Set. Vote!* at YourVoteFlorida.com.

“There are only a few days left to register to vote in the General Election so I encourage all eligible Floridians who still need to submit a voter registration application to do so by the October 9 deadline,” said Secretary Detzner. **“You can register to vote online through the Department’s secure, convenient and easy-to-use website RegisterToVoteFlorida.gov. Additionally, the Department is extending the hours of operation of the Voter Assistance Hotline leading up to the deadline to ensure we are providing any needed assistance to Florida voters.”**

The Voter Assistance Hotline will be available from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. EDT on Saturday, October 6 to Monday, October 8 and from 8 a.m. to midnight on Tuesday, October 9. Voters who have questions about how to register to vote or who need assistance using RegistertoVoteFlorida.gov can contact the Voter Assistance Hotline at 1-866-308-6739 or OVRsupport@dos.myflorida.com.

Floridians can register to vote or update their existing registration through the Department’s online voter registration website RegistertoVoteFlorida.gov. Users will need their Florida driver license or Florida identification card and the last four digits of their social security number. In order to verify a user’s identity, the information typed into the online voter registration website must exactly match the information that appears on his or her most recent Florida driver license or state identification card. Florida residents also have the option to use the website to complete, print and sign a paper application that can be mailed or hand-delivered to their local Supervisor of Elections.

In addition to RegistertoVoteFlorida.gov, there are several other ways eligible Floridians can register to vote. Eligible Floridians can apply through:

- Any Supervisor of Elections office;
- Any office, including a tax collector's office, that issues driver licenses or Florida identification cards;
- The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles' online website for renewing a driver license or state identification card; and
- Any voter registration agency such as a public assistance office or public library.

In order to be able to vote in the upcoming General Election, new voter registration applications must be submitted by the October 9 voter registration deadline. Online voter registration applications must be submitted through RegistertoVoteFlorida.gov no later than 11:59 p.m. on October 9. Paper applications must be received by close of business at a [Supervisor of Elections' office](#) or if sent by mail, post-marked by October 9.

The deadline to update a voter's signature is no later than the start of the canvassing of vote-by-mail ballots. In some counties, canvassing may start as early as October 22. A voter's current signature is used to determine whether to count a provisional or vote-by-mail ballot. For more information, please [contact](#) your local Supervisors of Elections.

Florida residents can check their current voter registration status by using the Department's [Voter Information Lookup](#) tool. The [Voter Information Lookup](#) tool can also be used to find your polling place, obtain your sample ballot and check your vote-by-mail ballot status.

All registered voters, regardless of party affiliation or no party affiliation, may exercise their right to vote for candidates and public measures on the General Election ballot. The General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018.

For more information, please visit the Division of Elections' website at dos.myflorida.com/elections.

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