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KCEB Prepares Voters for Election Day

KANSAS CITY, MO. (October 31, 2016) – The November 8, 2016 ballot is the longest ballot in recent Kansas City history. Poll locations will be stocked with magnifying rulers to assist voters with reading the small font. Currently, absentee voters are averaging 30 minutes to vote. For this reason, KCEB encourages all voters to review the sample ballot prior to visiting the polls on election day. The sample ballot can be found at: www.kceb.org/elections/ballot/ click on learn more. Voters are encouraged to download and print out the sample ballot and mark their selections prior to election day. On election day, voters can take the sample ballot with them and simply transfer their selections to the official ballot at the poll. In some polls, greeters/line walkers will be used to hand out sample ballots to voters, allowing them to use their wait time in line to read the sample ballot prior to entering the voting booth.

What's on the Ballot?

Voters will be deciding on: United States President and Vice President, U.S. Senator, Missouri Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer, Attorney General, U.S. Representative, State Senators (Districts 7, 9, 11), State Representatives (Districts 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 35, 36, 37, 56), Jackson County Executive, Jackson County Prosecuting Attorney, Jackson County Sheriff, Missouri Supreme Court Judge, Circuit Judges (Divisions 1, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12), Associate Circuit Judges (Divisions 26, 28, 29, 32), State of Missouri (Constitutional Amendments 1, 2, 3, 4, 6), State of Missouri Proposition A, Jackson County (Questions 1, 2, 3), City of Kansas City (Questions 1, 2, 3), and Consolidated Library District #3 (Mid Continent) Proposition L. Sample ballots are available online at www.kceb.org.

Absentee Voting

Voters are also encouraged to review the qualifications for absentee voting to see if they may qualify to vote absentee prior to election day. Missouri does not have early voting, however, election laws allow qualified registered voters to vote absentee if they meet one of the following requirements:

1) Will be absent from their voting jurisdiction on Election Day;

- 2) Are incapacitated or confined due to illness or physical disability, or caring for an incapacitated person;
- 3) Are restricted by religious belief or practice;
- 4) Are employed by an election authority;
- 5) Incarceration, but retaining qualifications for voting;
- 6) Certified participation in the Missouri (Safe at Home) program.

<u>In-Person Absentee Voting:</u> Qualified voters may cast an absentee ballot in person at Kansas City Election Board Absentee Office, located in Union Station, 30 W. Pershing Road, Suite 750 (across from the Escape Room) until Monday, November 7 at 5 p.m. Voters will receive a parking voucher for the West Parking Garage located near the absentee office.

Daily hours are 8 a.m. to 7 p.m, Monday through Thursday, Friday, 8 p.m. to 5 p.m., and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. KCEB will extend hours on November 5th from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

<u>Absentee Satellite Voting:</u> Qualified voters may cast an absentee ballot at one of our Satellite locations_ through November 7. Hours for satellite voting will be 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Thursday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., on Friday, and 10 a.m. to 3: p.m. on Saturdays.

The absentee satellite locations are as follows: Center High School, 87th & Holmes Rd.; Brush Creek Community Center, 3801 Brush Creek Blvd; Hillcrest Community Center, 10401 Hillcrest Rd; The Whole Person, 3710 Main St.

Voters with disabilities can vote at any satellite location. Only voters with disabilities can vote at The Whole Person.

All absentee ballots cast by mail must be received by the Election Board no later than 7 p.m. on Tuesday, November 8.

Polls:

Voters may find their polling location online at www.kceb.org by entering a last name and birth date in the *Check Your Voter Status* box, or by clicking on the *Elections link* on the KCEB homepage.

Election Notice Cards:

Eligible voters were sent an election notice postcard. The polling location and address are printed on each election notice card. Voters whose polls have changed will be reminded on their card, or sent a letter.

Voter Identification:

Voters may present several forms of identification including:

- 1) Missouri or out-of-state driver's license
- 2) Local, State or Federal government issued I.D. (employee, passport, social security card, military, etc.)
- 3) Missouri higher education I.D. (college or university)
- 4) Local election authority issued I.D.
- 5) Current bank statement, utility bill, government paycheck, regular paycheck or government document containing the voter's name and current address

Photo identification is not required to vote in Missouri.

Additional Facts:

Number of Polls: 149

Number of Precincts: 388

Total Registered Voters: 222,319

Estimated Election Cost: \$1,257,408.

The polls will be open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, November 8.

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