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Kansas City Election Board Readies Voters for August 8 Special Election

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (August 1, 2017) – The Kansas City Board of Election Commissioners (KCEB) announces details for the upcoming August 8 Election. Following are the specifics to ensure that voters have the information needed to participate:

Date, Time, Place: The election is Tuesday, August 8, 2017. Poll hours are 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

What's on the Ballot?

City of Kansas City Missouri:

- Question 1 – Initiative Petition (Streetcar System Extension-Elections Required)
- Question 2 – Initiative Petition (Streetcar System Extension-Sales Taxes)
- Question 3 – Initiative Petition (City Minimum Wage)

Sample ballots are available online at www.kceb.org.

Absentee Voting: In-person absentee voting ends on Monday, August 7, at 5:00 p.m. All mail-in absentee ballots must be received by the election office no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, August 8.

The last day to submit an absentee ballot application for the August 8 election is Wednesday, August 2, 2017.

In Missouri, voters need one of six reasons to vote absentee:

- 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) Are incarcerated, but have retained all voting qualifications
- 6) Are a certified participant in the address confidentiality (SAFE at Home) program established under sections 589.660 to 589.681 because of safety concerns

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 **Poll Locations** 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.

Photo identification is now required to vote in Missouri: In November 2016, Missouri voters decided to make Missouri a Photo I.D. state. Missouri's new Voter I.D. law went into effect on June 1, 2017. Missouri voters will now be asked to present a current government issued photo I.D. when checking in to their polling location. Call the *ShowIt2Vote* Hotline toll-free (866) 868-3245 or visit www.sos.mo.gov/showit2vote for help obtaining your non-driver license for voting purposes or to ask any questions about voter Identification.

Accepted "Option 1" Voter Identification: In order to obtain a ballot and vote with no extra steps, voters must present one of four accepted forms of current (non-expired) government issued photo identification, these forms of accepted "Option 1" identification include:

- 1) Missouri driver's license
- 2) Missouri non-driver license
- 3) U.S. Passport
- 4) Current Missouri or Federal Government identification with photo

Accepted "Option 2" Voter Identification: If a voter does not possess current "Option 1" identification, they may present one of several secondary forms of identification and sign the provided identification statement. These accepted forms of "Option 2" identification include:

- 1) Out-of-state driver's license or non-driver license
- 2) Missouri higher education I.D. (college or university)
- 3) Local election authority issued I.D.
- 4) Current bank statement, utility bill, government paycheck, regular paycheck or government document containing the voter's name and current address

"Option 3" I.D. Provisional Voting:

Voters who arrive at their polling location with no form of identification, or who chose not to sign the "Option 2" statement, will be given the option to vote with a **blue** provisional packet. These voters must have a current voter registration found within the MCVR database. If so, their vote will count one of two ways: 1) If they return to the poll with proper "Option 1" Identification or 2) If the signature on their I.D. provisional envelope matches the signature on their MCVR original voter registration.

Additional Facts:

Number of Polls:	119
Number of Precincts:	397
Total Registered Voters:	214,601
Estimated Election Cost:	\$537,204

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