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LEAGUE ENCOURAGES CITIZENS TO VOTE IN WISCONSIN PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

The League of Women Voters of Wisconsin encourages citizens to vote in the Spring Primary Election on February 19.

“Super Tuesday came and went, but the parties haven’t chosen their nominees yet. You’ll see how much our votes will count in the next several days, as the candidates and their campaigns flock to Wisconsin,” said Andrea Kaminski, Executive Director.

Citizens may register to vote before the election or at your poll on Election Day. Pre-registering in person or by mail through your municipal clerk’s office will save you time and reduce lines on Election Day. (To find your clerk, see <http://elections.state.wi.us>.) If you wish to register at the poll, bring your Wisconsin driver’s license or other official Wisconsin ID, if you have one, to the poll with you. If you have one of these, you will need to provide the number. If you’ve never been issued a Wisconsin driver’s license or ID, be ready to give the last four digits of your social security number. If you have none of these IDs, you will be assigned a voter number. To prove that you currently live in the polling district, also bring a recent utility bill or pay stub - any official document with both your name and your current address clearly stated.

If you already are registered to vote in Wisconsin, you do not need an official ID in order to cast your vote. If you have moved since the last time you voted, you should bring proof of your new residence.

A how-to guide to help voters understand registration requirements is available from the League in both Spanish and English.

The League provides several educational resources for voters. The League of Women Voters of the United States created a Presidential Primary Voters’ Guide which provides the candidates’ answers to five questions on major issues, including health care, campaign finance reform, and the environment.

Wisconsin voters can look up their polling place at <http://elections.state.wi.us> under “Voter Information.” This website is very helpful, providing a sample ballot, accessibility information for disabled voters, and poll locations. Polling Places can also be determined by contacting your municipal clerk. A statewide listing of clerks is available through the state elections board, online at <http://elections.state.wi.us/index.asp> or by calling 608-266-8005.

Polls will be open statewide from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. At 8:00 p.m. an election official will mark the end of the line of voters waiting. If you are at the poll before closing time, you should be allowed to vote. Voters can obtain absentee ballots for the February 19 election by contacting their municipal clerk. These must be completed and returned by Election Day.

The League urges voters to view their website, www.lwvwi.org, where all of this information is available and regularly updated.

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The League of Women Voters of Wisconsin is a nonpartisan political organization that promotes informed and active participation of citizens in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy. There are 21 local Leagues in Wisconsin. Call the state League at (608) 256-0827 for more information.