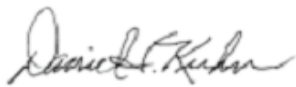


**SPECIMEN BALLOT
PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS
GENERAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 3, 2020**

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS SPECIMEN BALLOT IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE OFFICES AND CANDIDATES TO BE VOTED IN THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN PUTNAM COUNTY ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020.



DANIEL S. KUHN, COUNTY CLERK
PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

"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

The proposed amendment grants the State authority to impose higher income tax rates on higher income levels, which is how the federal government and a majority of other states do it. The amendment would remove the portion of the Revenue Article of the Illinois Constitution that is sometimes referred to as the "flat tax," that requires all taxes on income to be at the same rate. The amendment does not itself change tax rates. It gives the State the ability to impose higher tax rates on those with higher income levels and lower income tax rates on those with middle or lower income levels. You are asked to decide whether the proposed amendment should become a part of the Illinois Constitution.

For the proposed amendment of Section 3 of Article IX of the Illinois Constitution.

- YES
- NO

FEDERAL

FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

(Vote for one)

- JOSEPH R. BIDEN (KAMALA D. HARRIS) DEMOCRATIC
- DONALD J. TRUMP (MICHAEL R. PENCE) REPUBLICAN
- HOWIE HAWKINS (ANGELA WALKER) GREEN
- GLORIA LA RIVA (LEONARD PELTIER) PARTY FOR SOCIALISM AND LIBERATION
- BRIAN CARROLL (AMAR PATEL) AMERICAN SOLIDARITY PARTY
- JO JORGENSEN (JEREMY "SPIKE" COHEN) LIBERTARIAN
- Write-in

FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR

(Vote for one)

- RICHARD J. DURBIN DEMOCRATIC
- MARK C. CURRAN JR. REPUBLICAN
- WILLIE L. WILSON WILLIE WILSON PARTY GREEN
- DAVID F. BLACK GREEN
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CONGRESSIONAL

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS SIXTEENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

(Vote for one)

- DANI BRZOZOWSKI DEMOCRATIC
- ADAM KINZINGER REPUBLICAN
- Write-in

REPRESENTATIVE

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SEVENTY-SIXTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT

(Vote for one)

- LANCE YEDNOCK DEMOCRATIC
- TRAVIS S BREEDEN REPUBLICAN

COUNTY

FOR STATE'S ATTORNEY

(Vote for one)

- No Candidate DEMOCRATIC
- CHRISTINA JUDD MENNIE REPUBLICAN

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK

(Vote for one)

- CARLY R. NEUBAUM DEMOCRATIC
- No Candidate REPUBLICAN

COUNTY BOARD

FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD AT LARGE

(Vote for not more than two)

- ANTHONY "TONY" RUE JR. DEMOCRATIC
- FLOYD "BJ" HOLOCKER III DEMOCRATIC
- KEITH BOGGIO REPUBLICAN
- MARK JASON JUDD REPUBLICAN

JUDICIAL RETENTION

BALLOT FOR JUDICIAL CANDIDATES SEEKING RETENTION IN OFFICE

"Vote on the Proposition with respect to all or any of the Judges listed on this ballot. No Judge listed is running against any other Judge. The sole question is whether each Judge shall be retained in his present office."

SUPREME COURT JUDGE

SHALL

**TOM L. KILBRIDE
be retained in office as
JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT?**

- YES
- NO

APPELLATE COURT JUDGE

SHALL

**MARY W. McDADE
be retained in office as
JUDGE OF THE APPELLATE COURT
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT?**

- YES
- NO

JUDICIAL RETENTION

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

SHALL

**STEPHEN A. KOURI
be retained in office as
JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT?**

- YES
- NO

SHALL

**JAMES A. MACK
be retained in office as
JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT?**

- YES
- NO

PROPOSITION

**PUTNAM COUNTY
PROPOSITION TO INCREASE
THE CORPORATE TAX RATE**

Shall the current corporate tax rate of .0037 be increased to a rate of .0062, which will be levied on the equalized assessed valuation of the taxable property in Putnam County, State of Illinois?

- (1) Corporate tax rate is commonly referred to as the general fund and is used for the goods and services provided to the county.
- (2) The approximate amount of taxes currently collected with the corporate rate of .0037 is \$658,459, which is dedicated to the general fund. If approved, the approximate amount of taxes to be collected with the corporate rate of .0062 is \$1,103,363.04, which will be dedicated to the general fund.
- (3) For the 2021 levy year the approximate amount of additional taxes against property containing a single-family residence having a fair market value (at the time of the referendum) of \$100,000.00 with the homestead exemption applied, is estimated to increase by \$68.33. A single-family residence with a fair market value (at the time of referendum) of \$100,000.00 with no exemptions applied is estimated to increase by \$83.33.

- YES
- NO