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Voter Registration/Party Affiliation Change Deadline is July 20

Marion County, FL. July 13- Supervisor of Elections Wesley Wilcox reminds Marion County residents that Monday, July 20 is the deadline to register to vote and change party affiliation for the Primary Election. Currently, there are more than 254,000 registered voters in Marion County, a nearly 14% increase compared to registration in the 2016 Primary Election.

Florida is a Closed Primary State. In Primary Elections, voters registered with no party affiliation (NPA) are not eligible to vote for political party candidates. Only voters who are registered members of political parties may vote for respective party candidates or nominees in the primaries, unless a Universal Primary Contest (UPC) occurs. In Marion County, there are two UPC contests for the Primary Election: State Representative District 20 and County Commissioner District 1.

Previously registered voters do not need to re-register but are encouraged to verify their voter registration is accurate and up-to-date by visiting www.VoteMarion.Gov. Citizens can register or update their voter information online at www.RegisterToVoteFlorida.Gov or in person at the Elections Office or any public library or tax collector office.

Applications must be postmarked or delivered to the Elections Office no later than July 20. The Marion County Election Center, 981 NE 16th St, Ocala will remain open until 5 p.m. on Monday, July 20, to allow additional time for new registration and updates.

For additional information, visit www.VoteMarion.Gov or contact the Marion County Election Center at 352-620-3290 or Elections@VoteMarion.Gov.

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