### Polk County "VOTE THE WHOLE BALLOT" Card

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Candidate/Stance Recommended by Black Caucus

Note: We have no preference in some races

President and vice President	
Donald J. Trump*	REP
Michael R. Pence	
Joseph R. Biden	DEM

Kamala D. Harris

Jo Jorgensen LPF Jeremy "Spike" Cohen

Roque "Rocky" De La Fuente REF Darcy G. Richardson

Gloria La Riva PSL Sunil Freeman

Howie Hawkins GRE Angela Nicole Walker

Don Blankenship CPF William Mohr

### Representative in Congress District 9

William P. Olson REP

Darren SotoDEM

\_\_\_\_\_ Write-in

### Representative in Congress District 15

Scott Franklin REP

Alan CohnDEM

### Representative in Congress District 17

Greg Steube REP

Allen Ellison DEM

Theodore "Pink Tie" Murray NPA

#### **State Senator District 20**

Danny Burgess REP

Kathy Lewis DEM

## State Representative District 39 Josie Tomkow REP

Ochris Cause DEN

## State Representative District 40 Colleen Burton REP

■ Jan Barrow DEM Emily Michie NPA

### **State Representative District 41**

Sam Killebrew REP

Jared West DEM

#### State Representative District 42

Fred Hawkins REP

Barbara Ann Cady DEM
Leroy Sanchez NPA

#### State Representative District 56

Melony Bell REP

■ James Davis DEM

#### **County Commissioner District 3**

Bill Braswell REP

■ Bob Doyel DEM

#### **Justice of the Supreme Court**

Shall Justice Carlos G. Muñiz of the Supreme Court be retained in office? Yes

No

#### **Second District Court of Appeal**

Shall Judge Drew Atkinson of the Second District Court of Appeal be retained in office?

Yes

● No

Shall Judge Morris Silberman of the Second District Court of Appeal be retained in office?

Yes
No

Shall Judge Daniel H. Sleet of the Second District Court of Appeal be retained in office?

Yes

No

Shall Judge Andrea Teves Smith of the Second District Court of Appeal be retained in office?

Yes

No

### Lake Region Lakes Management District, Seat 2

Steve EnzorJohn Lewis

# Lake Ashton Community Development District, Seat 1

Lloyd Howison

Debby Landgrebe

L. Jack Van Sickle

# Lake Ashton Community Development District, Seat 5

Charles E. Mutz, Jr.Steve Realmuto

## Lake Ashton II Community Development District, Seat 2

Stephen H. Bachleda Angela Littlewood

### No 1, Constitutional Amendment, Article VI, Section 2

### Citizenship Requirement to Vote in Florida Elections

This amendment provides that only United States Citizens who are at least eighteen years of age, a permanent resident of Florida, and registered to vote, as provided by law, shall be qualified to vote in a Florida election

Yes

● No

#### No. 2 Constitutional Amendment, Article X, Section 24

#### Raising Florida's Minimum Wage

Raises minimum wage to \$10.00 per hour effective September 30th, 2021. Each September 30th thereafter, minimum wage shall increase by \$1.00 per hour until the minimum wage reaches \$15.00 per hour on September 30th, 2026. From that point forward, future minimum wage increases shall revert to being adjusted annually for inflation starting September 30th, 2027.

• Yes

No

### No. 3 Constitutional Amendment, Article VI, Section 5

# All Voters Vote in Primary Elections for State Legislature, Governor, and Cabinet

Allows all registered voters to vote in primaries for state legislature, governor, and cabinet regardless of political party affiliation. All candidates for an office, including party nominated candidates, appear on the same primary ballot. Two highest vote getters advance to general election. If only two candidates qualify, no primary is held and winner is determined in general election. Candidate's party affiliation may appear on ballot as provided by law. Effective January 1, 2024.

Yes

No

#### No. 4 Constitutional Amendment, Article XI, Sections 5 and 7

### Voter Approval of Constitutional Amendments

Requires all proposed amendments or revisions to the state constitution to be approved by the voters in two elections, instead of one, in order to take effect. The proposal applies the current thresholds for passage to each of the two elections.

Yes
No

No. 5 Constitutional Amendment, Article VII, Section 4 and Article XII

#### Limitations on Homestead Property Tax Assessments; increased portability period to transfer accrued benefit

Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution, effective January 1, 2021, to increase, from 2 years to 3 years, the period of time during which accrued Save-Our-Homes benefits may be transferred from a prior homestead to a new homestead.

YesNo

No. 6 Constitutional Amendment, Article VII, Section 6 and Article XII

#### Ad Valorem Tax Discount for Spouses of Certain Deceased Veterans Who Had Permanent, Combat-Related Disabilities

Provides that the homestead property tax discount for certain veterans with permanent combat-related disabilities carries over to such veteran's surviving spouse who holds legal or beneficial title to, and who permanently resides on, the homestead property, until he or she remarries or sells or otherwise disposes of the property. The discount may be transferred to a new homestead property of the surviving spouse

under certain conditions. The amendment takes effect January 1, 2021.

Yes No



#### **COUNTY REFERENDUM**

No.1 County Referendum, Article VII, Section 3

#### Extension of Property Tax Exemptions for Businesses Creating New Jobs

Shall the board of county commissioners of this county be reauthorized to grant, pursuant to section 3 article 7 of the State Constitution, limited property tax exemptions, for a limited time, to new businesses and expansions of existing businesses that create new, full-time jobs in the county? The time period for such reauthorization would commence November 6, 2022 and expire on November 5, 2032.

Yes – For authority to grant exemptions

No – Against authority to grant exemptions

#### **CHARTER AMENDMENTS**

No. 1 Charter Amendment, Section 8.3.1

### Expense Reduction – Charter Review

Charter Amendment to reduce expenses to Polk County by increasing the time between Charter Review Commissions from every 8 years to every 12 years. Shall the above described amendment be adopted?

Yes

No

No. 2 Charter Amendment, Articles 8.6 through 8.6.4, Section 6.3

### Expense Reduction – Efficiency Commission

Charter Amendment to reduce expenses to Polk County by deleting in their entirety Articles 8.6 through 8.6.4 of the County Charter relating to the Polk County Efficiency Commission. Shall the above described amendment be adopted?

Yes



### **VOTE BY MAIL**

You have until October 24th to Request a Vote by Mail Ballot online or by phone

www.polkelections.com/Mailin-Ballot-Request-Form

Ballots must be either:

- 1) *Mailed In* by Mon, Nov 2 or
- 2) **Handed In** at an Early Voting location by Sunday Nov 1 *or*
- 3) *Turned In* at Supervisor of Elections office Tues Nov 3 at 7 pm

### **EARLY VOTING**

Oct 19 - Nov 1

7 am - 7 pm
Early Voting Locations

www.polkelections.com/Vote r-Services/Early-Voting

# ELECTION DAY VOTING

**November 3** 

7am – 7pm

Election Day Voting

Locations

www.polkelections.com/Vote r-Services/Where-Do-I-Vote

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