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No-Excuse Absentee Voting for November 8th General Election Begins Tuesday, October 25

Springfield, MO - Greene County Clerk Shane Schoeller announces to Greene County registered voters that beginning **Tuesday, October 25,** a recent change in state law (<u>HB 1878</u>) will allow all eligible voters to vote absentee in person for the upcoming General Election on Tuesday, November 8th without having to give a reason for doing so.

In-person absentee voting is available at the Greene County Elections Center, 1126 N. Boonville Ave. in Springfield, Monday to Friday between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, up to and including the day prior to the election, and will also be available on Saturday, November 5^{th} from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm at the same location. Please note that in order to vote in-person absentee, by statute voters must present one of the following forms of photo identification:

- A nonexpired Missouri driver or non-driver license;
- A nonexpired military ID, including a veteran's ID card;
- A nonexpired United States passport;
- Another photo ID issued by the United States or the state of Missouri which is either not expired or expired after the date of the most recent general election.

If voting absentee in person **prior to** Tuesday, October 25 or if voting absentee **by mail**, voters are required to state one of the following reasons:

- Absence on Election Day from the jurisdiction of the election authority in which such voter is registered to vote;
- Incapacity or confinement due to illness or physical disability on Election Day, including a person who is primarily responsible for the physical care of a person who is incapacitated or confined due to illness or disability and resides at the same address;
- Religious belief or practice;
- Employment as an election authority or by an election authority at a location other than such voter's polling place, a first responder, a health care worker, or a member of law enforcement;
- Incarceration, provided all qualifications for voting are retained;
- Certified participation in the address confidentiality program established under RSMo 589.660 to 589.681 because of safety concerns.

Sample ballots and a composite of candidates and issues are available in the Office of the County Clerk and at <u>https://vote.greenecountymo.gov</u>. Questions about absentee voting may be directed to the Office of the County Clerk at 417-868-4060 or <u>AbsenteeVoting@greenecountymo.gov</u>.