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Registered Republican and Independent Registered Voters:

RE: The November 7 General Election

As your Republican Precinct Committeeman, my responsibilities for general elections include encouraging the Republican and Independent registered voters in the precinct to vote, and to vote for all the Republican candidates on the ballot. Needless-to-say, many thanks for voting in the November 7 general election, many thanks for every vote that you cast for a Republican on the ballot, and many thanks to the 40 Republican households that displayed **Roskam** signs, especially the three that displayed 4X4 signs.

As shown on the attached sample ballot, of the 416 registered voters in our precinct, 278 (67%) voted in the election. Of the 416, 214 (52%) are registered Republicans and 180 (43%) voted. Of the 416, 143 (34%) are registered Independents and 49 (12%) voted. Of the 416, 59 (14%) are registered Democrats and 49 (12%) voted.

Of the 416, 165 (40%) voted for **Topinka/Birkett**, 111 (27%) voted for **Umholtz**, 136 (33%) voted for **Rutherford**, 157 (38%) voted for **Pankau**, 178 (43%) voted for **Radogno**, 152 (37%) voted for **Roskam**, 224 (54%) voted for **Hultgren**, 180 (43%) voted for **Fortner**, 211 (51%) voted for **Ruscitti**, 214 (51%) voted **King**, 228 (55%) voted for **Henry**, 226 (54%) voted for **Zaruba**, 219 (53%) voted for **Schillerstrom**, 167 (40%) voted for **Eckhoff**, 172 (41%) voted for **McBride**, 212 (51%) voted for **Pierotti**, and 181 (44%) voted for **Formento**.

I strongly urged all the registered Republicans and Independents to vote for **Roskam** and for all the Republican candidates on the ballot. While, I am overjoyed that **Roskam**, **Hultgren**, **Fortner**, and all the Republican DuPage County candidates won, I am very disappointed that all the Republican statewide candidates lost. As you can imagine, from my perspective, I hoped that all 214 of the registered Republicans in the precinct and many of the 143 registered Independents would vote and vote for all the Republicans on the ballot. Sadly, obviously, that did not happen – 34 of the 214 registered Republicans did not vote and of the 180 who did vote, at least 15 did not vote for **Topinka/Birkett**, at least 69 did not vote for **Umholtz**, at least 44 did not vote for **Rutherford**, at least 23 did not vote for **Pankau**, at least 2 did not for **Radogno**, at least 28 did not vote for **Roskam**, at least 13 did not vote for **Eckhoff**, and at least 8 did not vote for **McBride**.

I would greatly appreciate your comments on the election results in our precinct, especially your comments on the following questions:

-- Especially given that we all had many opportunities to vote early, what are the main reasons why 34 of the 214 registered Republican voters did not vote and why 94 of the 134 registered Independent voters did not vote?

-- At least 15 registered Republicans did not vote for **Topinka/Birkett**, at least 69 registered Republicans did not vote for **Umholtz**, at least 44 registered Republicans did not vote for **Rutherford**, and at least 23 registered Republicans did not vote for **Pankau**. What are the main reasons for that?

-- At least 28 registered Republicans did not vote for **Roskam**. What are the main reasons for that?

-- At least 13 registered Republicans did not vote for **Eckhoff** and at least 8 registered Republicans did not vote for **McBride**. What are the main reasons for that?

-- 19 members of the Illinois Republican Party (IRP) State Central Committee (SCC) govern the IRP. Sadly, the "Combine" dominates the SCC. The Combine is anti-conservative, it exists to further the financial interests of its members, and in the 1980s it took away your right as a registered Republican to directly elect your representative on the SCC. IRP National Committeeman **Bob Kjellander** is a leading member of the Combine. The Combine worked hard to elect **Jim Thompson, Jim Edgar, George Ryan, Jim Ryan, and Judy Baar Topinka**. The Combine worked hard to defeat **Patrick O'Malley** in the 2002 primary; to get **Peter Fitzgerald** to not run again in the 2004 primary; to defeat **Jack Ryan, Jim Oberweis, and Steve Rauschenberger** in the 2004 primary; to stop **Oberweis** from filling the **Jack Ryan** vacancy; to defeat **Alan Keyes** in 2004 general election; and to defeat **Oberweis** in the 2006 primary. Many believe that the Combine's dominance of the SCC cannot be broken until SCC members are again elected directly by registered Republicans in primary elections. Should our representative on the SCC, **Ron Smith**, make a motion at the next SCC meeting calling a) for direct election of SCC members and b) for **Kjellander** to resign?

-- All of the officials currently holding partisan offices in DuPage County are Republican and from the beginning, virtually all the elected officials elected in DuPage County have been Republican. DuPage County, Milton Township, Wheaton, and our precinct offer prosperity and safety rarely if ever found in areas that Democrats control. Only 10 of the 59 registered Democrats in our precinct did not vote. Why do you think so many Democrats are moving here instead of areas controlled by Democrats like Chicago and suburbs in Cook County like Evanston and Oak Park? Why do you think they move here but continue vote for Democrats?

Sincerely,

Dave Diersen