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SPRINGFIELD, IL, DECEMBER 19, 2001 - PUBLIC NOTICE OF PETITION

OBJECTION PERIOD - MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2001 is the last day to file objections to nomination papers of candidates who filed petitions with the State Board of Elections for the March 19, 2002 General Primary Election.

OBJECTIONS MAY BE FILED IN EITHER THE BOARD'S PRINCIPAL OFFICE located at 1020 South Spring Street, Springfield, Illinois OR AT THE PERMANENT BRANCH at the James R. Thompson Center, 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, Illinois.

Board offices will be open for objection submissions from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. No objections will be accepted after the close of business.

Board offices are closed Saturday, December 22nd and Sunday, December 23rd.

No objection will be accepted after the close of business, 5 p.m., any day during the objection/withdrawal period (See Anderson v. State Board of Elections, 589 N.E. 2d 907 [Ill. App. 1st Dist. 1992]).

Prospective filers are hereby notified that physical presence in the office during the final minutes before conclusion of the filing period is not sufficient to constitute filing of the objection. To be accepted objections must be time-stamped no later than 5 p.m. OBJECTORS IN LINE AT THE Board's Offices AFTER 5 P.M. will have their papers REFUSED.

OBJECTORS PLANNING TO FILE AT THE BOARD'S CHICAGO OFFICE, PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT ADDITIONAL SECURITY MEASURES AT THE JAMES R. THOMPSON CENTER REQUIRE A VISITOR'S BADGE FOR ACCESS TO STATE OFFICES. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT OBJECTORS BE IN THE CHICAGO OFFICE NO LATER THAN 3:30 P.M.

OBJECTORS ARE ENCOURAGED TO FILE EARLY TO PRECLUDE THE POSSIBILITY OF HAVING THEIR PAPERS REFUSED.

The first hearing for objections to be heard by the State Electoral Board will be via telephone conference call at 9:00 a.m. on January 2, 2002. The call can be monitored in either the Chicago or Springfield office.

The State Board of Elections is not required to make copies of candidate objector's petitions filed with its office.

The Illinois Election Code ([10ILCS 5/10-8] provides in relevant part that, "Any legal voter of the political subdivision... having objections to any certificate of nomination or

nominating papers or petitions filed, shall file an objector's petition together with a copy thereof [emphasis added] in the principal office or permanent branch office of the State Board of Elections...).

Accordingly, this is to serve notice that persons desiring to submit candidate objector's petitions to the State Board of Elections are responsible for the appropriate number of copies to satisfy the statutory requirements and their own needs.

For additional information contact the State Board of Elections at (217)782-4141 in Springfield or (312)814-6440 in Chicago

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