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CHICAGO, IL, September 30, 2014 – REGULAR REGISTRATION CLOSES OCTOBER 7,

2014 – The State Board of Elections wishes to remind Illinois residents that Tuesday, October 7, 2014 is the last day of regular registration to register to vote in the November 4, 2014, General Election. After October 7, 2014, Illinois residents who wish to register or change their voting address would need to participate in Grace Period Registration. (Specific requirements to register via Grace Period will be detailed in a subsequent Press Release.)

The requirements to be eligible to vote are: be a citizen of the United States, be at least 18 years old by Election Day, and have been a resident of the precinct for at least 30 days prior to Election Day.

When registering to vote in person, two forms of identification are required – one must show the current address of the applicant. Acceptable identification includes a lease or contract for a residence. A photo identification card issued by a university or college can be used if accompanied by a copy of the voter's lease or mail postmarked to the voter's address.

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An individual may apply to register online by accessing the State Board of Elections' website at: www.vote.illinois.gov. In order to register online, the applicant must have an Illinois driver's license or state identification card issued by the Secretary of State. Required information includes the complete driver's license number or state identification number, the issue date of the driver's license or ID card, birth date, and the last 4 digits of the social security number.

The State Board of Elections is an independent state constitutional agency charged with the responsibility of having general supervision over the administration of election laws of the State. Elections are administered locally by the State's 110 election authorities.

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