

OFFICIAL GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

NOVEMBER 2, 2004

TO VOTE, COMPLETELY FILL IN THE OVAL  NEXT TO YOUR CHOICE.

Use a black or blue pen (not red) or a black pencil to mark your ballot.

If you make a mistake, don't hesitate to ask for a new ballot. If you erase or make other marks, your vote may not count.

To vote for a candidate whose name is not printed on the ballot, fill in the oval, and write in the candidate's name on the blank line provided for a write-in candidate.

PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT	NONPARTISAN	PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS OR OTHER PUBLIC MEASURES
(Vote for One) ☐ George W. Bush Dick Cheney REP ☐ John F. Kerry John Edwards DEM ☐ Michael A. Peroutka Chuck Baldwin CPF ☐ Michael Badnarik Richard V. Campagna LIB ☐ David Cobb Patricia LaMarche GRE ☐ James Harris Margaret Trowe SWP ☐ Walter F. Brown Mary Alice Herbert SPF ☐ Ralph Nader Peter Miguel Camejo REF	Shall Justice Raoul G. Cantero, III of the Supreme Court be retained in office? ☐ YES ☐ NO	NO. 2 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE IV, SECTION 10 ARTICLE XI, SECTION 5 Constitutional Amendments Proposed by Initiative Proposing amendments to the State Constitution to require the sponsor of a constitutional amendment proposed by citizen initiative to file the initiative petition with the Secretary of State by February 1 of the year of a general election in order to have the measure submitted to the electors for approval or rejection at the following November's general election, and to require the Florida Supreme Court to render an advisory opinion addressing the validity of an initiative petition by April 1 of the year in which the amendment is to be submitted to the electors. ☐ YES ☐ NO
CONGRESSIONAL UNITED STATES SENATOR (Vote for One) ☐ Mel Martinez REP ☐ Betty Castor DEM ☐ Dennis F. Bradley VET ☐ Write-in		

 Shall Judge Winifred J. Sharp of the Fifth District Court of Appeal be retained in office? ☐ YES ☐ NO Shall Judge Vincent G. Torpy, Jr. of the Fifth District Court of Appeal be retained in office? ☐ YES ☐ NO | NO. 3 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE I, SECTION 26 The Medical Liability Claimant's Compensation Amendment Proposes to amend the State Constitution to provide that an injured claimant who enters into a contingency fee agreement with an attorney in a claim for medical liability is entitled to no less than 70% of the first \$250,000.00 in all damages received by the claimant, and 90% of damages in excess of \$250,000.00, exclusive of reasonable and customary costs and regardless of the number of defendants. This amendment is intended to be self-executing. The direct financial impact this amendment will have on state and local government revenues and expenditures cannot be determined. ☐ YES ☐ NO || LEGISLATIVE STATE REPRESENTATIVE 31ST HOUSE DISTRICT (Vote for One) ☐ Mitch Needelman REP ☐ Gerda Termitus DEM |

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PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS OR OTHER PUBLIC MEASURES	BREVARD COUNTY
NO. 5 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE X Florida Minimum Wage Amendment This amendment creates a Florida minimum wage covering all employees in the state covered by the federal minimum wage. The state minimum wage will start at \$6.15 per hour six months after enactment, and thereafter be indexed to inflation each year. It provides for enforcement, including double damages for unpaid wages, attorney's fees, and fines by the state. It forbids retaliation against employees for exercising this right. The impact of this amendment on costs and revenues of state and local governments is expected to be minimal. YES NO	REFERENDUM 1 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR NEW BUSINESSES AND EXPANSIONS OF EXISTING BUSINESSES Shall the Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County continue to be authorized to grant, pursuant to Section 3, Article VII of the State Constitution, property tax exemptions to new businesses and expansions of existing businesses? YES - FOR AUTHORITY TO GRANT EXEMPTIONS NO - AGAINST AUTHORITY TO GRANT EXEMPTIONS
NO. 6 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE X, SECTION 19 Repeal of High Speed Rail Amendment This amendment repeals an amendment in the Florida Constitution that requires the Legislature, the Cabinet and the Governor to proceed with the development and operation of a high speed ground transportation system by the state and/or by a private entity. The probable financial impact of passage of this amendment is a state cost savings ranging from \$20 billion to \$25 billion over the next 30 years. This estimate assumes the repeal of associated laws, the use of state bonds to finance construction, and could be reduced by federal or private sector funding. YES NO	REFERENDUM 2 ENVIRONMENTALLY ENDANGERED LAND AND WATER AREAS BOND REFERENDUM Shall Brevard County issue bonds to finance the acquisition, improvement and maintenance of environmentally endangered land and water areas for the protection of habitat, public open space, and water resources, and for providing passive recreational opportunities, provided the bonds do not exceed Sixty Million Dollars (\$60,000,000) bearing interest not exceeding the maximum legal rate and maturing in twenty (20) years payable from the levy of ad valorem taxes not exceeding .2085 mills? FOR THE BONDS AGAINST THE BONDS
NO. 7 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE X, SECTION 22 Patients' Right to Know About Adverse Medical Incidents Current Florida law restricts information available to patients related to investigations of adverse medical incidents, such as medical malpractice. This amendment would give patients the right to review, upon request, records of health care facilities' or providers' adverse medical incidents, including those which could cause injury or death. Provides that patients' identities should not be disclosed. The direct financial impact this amendment will have on state and local government revenues and expenditures cannot be determined, but is expected to be minimal. State agencies will incur some additional costs to comply with public records requirements of the amendment, but these costs will be generally offset by fees charged to the persons requesting the information. YES NO	CHARTER AMENDMENT 1 ADEQUATE TIME FOR CHARTER REVIEW Shall Section 7.4 of the Brevard County Charter be amended to increase the interval between appointment of regular Charter Review Commissions from six years to eight years, and to increase the time allowed for such review from one year to eighteen months? YES FOR APPROVAL NO FOR REJECTION
	CHARTER AMENDMENT 2 AMENDMENT AND TRANSFER OF PREAMBLE Shall the Preamble be revised and incorporated into Section 1.1 of the Charter of Brevard County so as to give legal effect to the provisions of the Preamble? YES NO
	CHARTER AMENDMENT 3 TRUTH IN TAXATION Shall the Brevard County Charter be amended to require publication of notice of disclosure of the percentage of tax increase in any year in which the Board of County Commissioners tentatively adopts a property tax millage rate in excess of the roll-back rate computed pursuant to Florida Statutes? YES NO
NO. 8 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 Public Protection from Repeated Medical Malpractice Current law allows medical doctors who have committed repeated malpractice to be licensed to practice medicine in Florida. This amendment prohibits medical doctors who have been found to have committed three or more incidents of medical malpractice from being licensed to practice medicine in Florida. The direct financial impact on state and local governments resulting from the proposed initiative would be minimal. There will likely be additional costs to the state of less than \$1 million per year, but these costs will be offset by licensure fees. YES NO	

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