Election Reminders from County Clerk Barb Byrum

Deadline to register for the November 6, 2018 General Election is fast approaching.

MASON – Ingham County Clerk Barb Byrum (D-Onondaga) is encouraging residents to register to vote and update their addresses. The deadline to register to vote in the November General Election is October 9. If a voter is already registered to vote, they need not re-register. If a voter has recently moved, they should update their voting address immediately.

“With the November 6 General Election right around the corner, I urge everyone to check their voter registration and consider voting by absentee ballot,” said Byrum. “Voting is your opportunity to make your voice heard, hold elected officials accountable for their decisions, and have a hand in the issues that affect us locally and nationally.”

Residents can find information regarding registering to vote or requesting an absentee ballot at www.michigan.gov/vote. Residents may also visit the site to check their voter registration status, find their polling place, or view a sample ballot.

Residents may update their address with the Secretary of State either online or at a branch office. County and local clerks are also equipped to process voter registrations, and if this is the first time a resident is registering to vote in Michigan, Byrum wants them to be aware they must either register in-person or vote in-person the first time.

Byrum reminds voters, “There is a partial term to fill for the 68th House District in addition to a full term for that same office, so a candidate’s name may appear on the ballot more than once. Voters may select the same candidate for the full and partial terms,” Byrum said.

The Williamston Community School District will also have four recall elections on the ballot.
Finally, Clerk Byrum is reminding voters to be sure to turn the ballot over to check for other races or ballot questions before completion as there are many candidates and ballot questions proposed, this Election.

If you need assistance or do not know how to contact your local municipal clerk, please call Ingham County Clerk Barb Byrum’s Office at (517) 676-7255 for assistance.

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