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From: Jim McCauley, Placer County Clerk-Recorder-Registrar of Voters

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The November 6, 2012 Presidential General Election gives voters an opportunity to have their say on a number of candidates and measures. In the November election, voters are electing candidates to hold several federal, state, and local offices. A variety of measures will also appear on the ballot allowing voters to make decisions about their local communities.

"It is important for voters to take advantage of the voting rights that allow them to make decisions about who holds political power and how the government operates," said Jim McCauley, Placer County Registrar of Voters. "Voters who fail to practice their right to vote are allowing others to make decisions for them — and they may not be making the decision that you would." In order to become educated on the issues, you can review the sample ballot pamphlet sent to you by the Placer County Office of Elections and the state voter guide issued by the Secretary of State's Office. And then, of course, you need to show up and vote.

Voters have two options in casting their ballots. They can vote at the polls or by mail. You can find your polling place on the back cover of your Placer County sample ballot pamphlet, on the Placer County Office of Elections website at www.placerelections.com, or by calling the Office of Elections at 530-886-5650. Polling places open at 7:00 AM on Election Day and close at 8:00 PM, allowing plenty of time for voters to stop by during the day. If a voter chooses to vote by mail, the Placer County Office of Elections needs to receive the vote-by-mail ballot request by October 30, 2012 in order to mail a ballot to the voter. After that date, voters will need to go to the Office of Elections at 2956 Richardson Drive to pick up a ballot over the counter. They will be open 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM on Saturday and Sunday the two weekends before Election Day. The Office of Elections will also be open from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM on Election Day.

For more information, please contact the Placer County Office of Elections at 530-886-5650 or toll-free in California at 1-800-824-8683, or go to their website, www.placerelections.com.