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North Florida County Supervisors of Elections join forces with State Attorney Brian Kramer for Voter Education Program

On Tuesday, May 17, 2022, State Attorney Brian Kramer held a press conference to inform the public and members of the media of the formation of a new voter education program known as the "V8th program." Supervisors of Elections from counties that fall within the 8th Judicial Circuit were in attendance as well. Kramer hopes that the "V8th program will serve as a dual function of accomplishing the guidelines set in Amendment 4 and also enhancing election security within the circuit."

Amendment 4 was passed by the citizens of Florida in 2018.   This amendment automatically re-enfranchised previously convicted felons, except those convicted of murder or a sexual offense, who have completed all of the terms of their sentences. To be qualified to vote again, a convicted felon must have sastisfied all financial obligations from the case including court costs, fines, and restitution. This decision has created significant confusion for many citizens who've been convicted of a felony and would like to vote.

Supervisor Tammy Jones said "the V8th program is an excellent resource for those with questions about their voting rights. Many times citizens with felony convictions do not realize they owe any fees or fines." The State Attorney's Office is free to offer their opinion on the issue to citizens. If the office determines a citizen is eligible to vote, that person exercising their right will not face any criminal prosecution.

For additional questions regarding the "V8th program," please contact Chief Investigator Darry Lloyd at 352-374-3670.

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