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### **Alachua County Supervisor of Elections prepares for enactment of Voting Restoration Amendment, encourages voter registration**

ALACHUA COUNTY, Fla. (December 12, 2018) — The Alachua County Supervisor of Elections is preparing to registers voters who will be newly eligible to register to vote because of the enactment of the Voting Restoration Amendment, which Florida voters approved last month.

The amendment will go into effect Jan. 8, and the Alachua County Supervisor of Elections will be partnering with community organizations to raise awareness of the change.

Most convicted felons who have completed their sentences, including parole and probation, are eligible and will have their voting rights automatically restored. However, those convicted of murder or sexual offenses are not able to register to vote, unless the Governor and Cabinet vote to restore their voting rights on a case-by-case basis.

The elections office, located in Gainesville at 515 N. Main St., will remain open until 7 p.m. on Jan. 8 to encourage those who will be newly eligible to register to do so in person. A new voter workshop, which will be open to the public, will be held at the elections office at 6 p.m. on Feb. 4 as well.

For more information, call the Supervisor of Elections at 352-374-5252.

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