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Kirksville City Council approves utility rate increase

By Marty Bachman
Daily Express

The Kirksville City Council held a public hearing at their Oct. 21 meeting on a proposed increase in the city's utility rates that will go into effect beginning in January 2025.

Finance Director Lacy A. King, explained to the city council that part of the city's budget process includes looking at utility rates and what expenditures are going to be proposed for next year. She said they also look at the capital plan in which the city plans out five years worth of capital when

it is part of the budget process.

"And so we look at the utility rates and if they're high enough and can sustain our operations," she said, noting that the city participates in the state revolving loan fund and there are certain requirements that must be met to participate. The fund helps the city get low interest rate loans to complete infrastructure they might do in the future.

"We need to make sure that our user charges can maintain our system, that it pays the cost of operation and maintenance," she said.



King said the city also needs to make sure that whatever rates they set, that they compare principal and interest and then ensure that operating revenues are at least equal

or greater to 110 percent of the city's annual debt service, noting they have been running at about 152 percent.

"We also need to make sure that we have suffi-

cient reserves to pay our debt service and ensure the protection and integrity of our system," she said. "One thing that they scrutinize is, if they loan a city money to do infrastructure, is that city going to be able to maintain the infrastructure that they put the capital up for?"

King said they have created a model for the city to use where they plug in the city's debt service, their capital and operating expenses, and look at the trends — what has been the increased cost in the last few years — and then estimate that, in part of the model they use.

She said that based on information they received in the fall, it appears the city needs to increase the water service availability fee by 10 percent. She said the city has not increased this fee since it was implemented in 2016 when they went from a flat rate to a tiered rate based on the size of the meter.

"In addition, we have not increased our water rate since 2018 and what we're recommending is an increase in our water rates of 5 percent and then an increase of our sewer rates of 5 percent," King told the council.

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Forage speaker lineup set for 2024 Missouri Livestock Symposium

By Missouri Livestock Symposium

Livestock producers will have an opportunity to learn about a variety of forage related topics at the 25th annual Missouri Livestock Symposium, says Garry L. Mathes, chairman.

Zac Erwin, MU Extension Livestock Specialist and symposium vice-chair, says, "The forages speaker lineup this year includes a familiar and frequently requested name in the world of forage management. Jim Gerrish will be returning to the Missouri Livestock Symposium for the 25th annual event. Jim is the type of speaker who possesses a wealth of hands-on experience and his rapport with producers is second to none. Anyone who manages forage production will find it a worthwhile time investment to attend Jim's lectures."

Gerrish will have three different presentations scheduled on Saturday, each will carry a unique message. The three presentations are titled "Creating Excellent Pasture from the Soil Up", "Managing Beef Cow Costs" and "Seven Things I Have Learned."

Rounding out the 2024 Forages Track will be University of Missouri Extension Field Specialist Rusty Lee. Lee's presentation will focus on integrating Milo into your winter-feeding toolbox.



Jim Gerrish

In addition to sessions on forages, there will be educational tracks on beef cattle, horses, sheep, and market goats. Additional sessions on stock dogs, horticulture and farm management will also be offered. Tracks run simultaneously, so attendees are encouraged to bring family and friends to help capture the most out of the multiple sessions.

The Missouri Livestock Symposium will be held Dec. 6 and 7 at the William Matthew Middle School, 1515 Cottage Grove, Kirksville. Doors to the symposium will be open 4 to 10 p.m., Fri. Dec. 6, and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 7. The Symposium has an agricultural trade show open during the two days.

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Missouri State Highway Patrol announces driver license system changes

By Missouri State Highway Patrol

The Missouri State Highway Patrol would like to inform the public of upcoming changes to the driver license testing process. In preparation for the transition, driver examination stations throughout the state will close at 12 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 7 and all-day Nov. 8.

Normal operations will resume on Tuesday, Nov. 12, following the Veterans Day holiday. Driver examination testing facilities will be closed due to converting to a modernized system, directly integrated into the Department of Revenue's new driver license system.

Follow this link for further information on the driver's license system changes being implemented by the Missouri

Department of Revenue MV-DL System Changes (mo.gov).

As part of this upgrade, the highway patrol will now offer the Class F written test in a total of 20 languages, which includes a newly created sign language video version of the test made possible by the Missouri Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

The new system will provide a direct digital reporting network to the Department of Revenue. The system will increase efficiency by sending test results directly to the Department of Revenue. The new system will also help deter driver license fraud. For more information, visit their website at https://apps.mshp.dps.mo.gov/MSPWeb/PatrolDivisions/DVSD/DE/DOR_FUSION.html.

15th Anniversary Community Learning Center Open House

Celebrating 15 Years of Service: Adair County SB40 Community Learning Center

Staff Reports

This year, Adair County SB40 Developmental Disability Board celebrates the 15th anniversary of the Community Learning Center (CLC). For a decade and a half, the CLC has been a beacon of support, providing free, inclusive programs to individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. Programs focus on fostering independence,



personal growth, and community integration, helping participants achieve meaningful, fulfilled lives.

Programs for All

At the heart of our CLC is a diverse array of activities designed to build life skills, employment skills, and social connections. Programs such as:

- Coffee & Cards: A social space for casual interactions and making friends.
- Dance Aerobics: A fun way to get moving and stay healthy.
- Project STIR-: Empowering individuals with self-advocacy skills.
- Circles Relationships & Intimacy 1 & 2: Teaching healthy relationship-building skills.
- BINGO: A classic, favorite activity fostering fun and socializing.

- Guided Painting: Nurturing creativity and self-expression.
- Halloween Dance: Celebrating the season with joy and dance.
- Young Adults Neuro-Diverse Group: Creating a supportive space for young adults.

These programs, and many others, are designed with the community members' needs in mind, providing opportunities for social engagement, recreation and personal development. Some programs, like Nature Time and Science Fun, are specifically designed to support education and outdoor exploration, while others, such as Exercise

Your Mind and Healthy Habits, promote physical and mental well-being.

Supporting Families and Providers

In addition to programming for individuals, the CLC is committed to offering training and support for families and service provider staff. The Parent Group and Charting the LifeCourse Tools programs are designed to equip families with the resources and knowledge needed to empower their loved ones to lead self-determined, meaningful lives.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Kirksville Area Calendar of Events

Dog Howl-O-Ween Costume Party

A Dog Howl-O-Ween Costume Party will be held from 5-6 p.m. on October 30 at the McKinney Bark Park, 2524 S. Franklin Street in Kirksville. There will be a photo booth and trick or treat.

Mark your calendar for Halloween Town

Halloween Town is back! Join the Kirksville Parks and Recreation Department, #For660, and more than 100 community partners for the 6th annual Halloween Town event. Halloween Town is a safe, fun, and interactive trick-or-treat experience all in one location, Oct. 31 from 5:30-8 p.m. Due to construction near William Matthew Middle School, the event will now take place in front of Kirksville Primary School. Parking is available in the Primary School/Early Childhood Learning Center parking lot and the William Matthew Middle School parking lot. This event is free for everyone. Have a business and interested in having a booth at this great community event? Sign up here: <https://forms.gle/7CxMK1CFYdofzakf7>. For more information, contact Luke Callaghan with the Parks and Recreation Department at 660-627-1485.

Truman State University residence halls to host trick or treating

Truman State University residence halls will be open for trick-or-treating from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Oct. 31. Community members are invited and encouraged to bring their families into the residence halls to receive candy from campus residents. Candy distribution will take place in the West Campus Suites lounges, the Missouri Hall lounges, the Blanton-Nason-Brewer Hall first floor south lounge and the Ryle Hall main lounge.

West Campus Suites is designated as the allergy-conscious residence hall for this event. Students in that hall will only be providing small toys or candy that does not contain peanuts, tree nuts, dairy, gluten or soy. This event is sponsored by Truman's Office of Residence Life in coordination with the Residence Hall Association. For more information, call (660) 785-4227 or email reslife@truman.edu.

Lovegreen Ford ribbon cutting

The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony for Lovegreen Ford (1801 N. Elson Street, Kirksville), which will be celebrating their 90th Anniversary on Friday, Nov. 1 at 4 p.m.

Life Church School 1st Annual Arts and Crafts Fair

Life Church School's 1st Annual Arts and Crafts Fair will be held on Nov. 2 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 112 W. Potter Ave. in Kirksville. The fair is an event for the whole family. They will have vendors with beautiful hand-crafted items, food trucks and a kids corner with games.

Adair County SB40 Community Learning Center Open House

The Adair County SB40 Community Learning Center invites you to celebrate the 15th Anniversary of supporting the community during their Open House on Monday, Nov. 4, from 4-7 p.m. Come see all of the opportunities that the center has to offer including many classes, activities, training and sensory room.

Truman State Theatre presents 'Ride the Cyclone'

Truman State Theatre presents "Ride the Cyclone" a quirky, edgy musical where six teen chamber choir members want another chance at life after a tragic accident. In limbo, a mechanical fortune teller offers them a chance to return to life—the kids explore the inner passions they never revealed while alive through catchy tunes and dark humor. This cult

hit blends comedy, tragedy, and enchantment, leaving you laughing, reflecting, and feeling great about life. The performance will be held on Nov. 7 at 7:30 p.m.

Ribbon cutting to be held for Hospice of Northeast Missouri

The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of Hospice of Northeast Missouri. The ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. on Nov. 8 at 201 S. Baltimore Street, Suite C in Kirksville.

Adair County Historical Society Banquet

The Adair County Historical Society Banquet will be held on Nov. 9 at 6 p.m. at the Truman State University Student Union Activities Room. The guest speaker will be Steve Wiegenstein, who will lecture on "Utopian Communities," specifically Bethel Colony in Shelby County and Nineveh Colony in Adair County. Wiegenstein is the author of five books, which will be available for purchase. He has been a professor at Culver Stockton College in Canton, Mo. for 20 years. The speaker comes courtesy of Missouri Humanities. Tickets are \$22 and are available by contacting the Historical Society at adaircohistorical@gmail.com.



Left to right: Second place winner Donald Rhoads and champion Donny Ledford with trophy.

October United Way Texas Hold'em raises \$2,090

By United Way of Northeast Missouri

The United Way of Northeast Missouri raised \$2,090 from the Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament held Wednesday, Oct. 23 event held at the Dukum Inn. Donny Ledford took home first prize, Donald Rhoads took second, and Jacob Minner came in third. Sponsors of the Tournament included A.T.S.U., Heritage House Realty, Paglia's Pizza, Kirksville Brake and Muffler, Lovegreen Motors, and Alliant Bank.

Missouri Livestock Symposium photo contest

By Missouri Livestock Symposium

Missouri Livestock Symposium is holding a photo contest. Send them your best snapshots of Missouri farm life and enter this year's Missouri Livestock Symposium photo contest. Entries are due Oct. 31.

The contest is open to amateur photographers in the state of Missouri. Photographers may submit up to three entries. Entries must show some aspect of agriculture including farm life, farm scenes, and/or livestock.

Submit your entries to missourilivestock@gmail.com. Include your name, complete address, phone, age, the title of the photo, and a little bit about your photo in the email. Photos must be 8.5 x 11 inches



and in portrait orientation. Please submit photos in jpg format with a minimum of 300 dpi. Full contest guidelines can be found on the website at <https://missourilivestock.com/photo-contest>.

Missouri Livestock Symposium committee members will select the top photo from all photos correctly submitted by the deadline. The winning photo will be

recognized at the evening program of the Missouri Livestock Symposium on Friday, Dec. 6, and will also appear on the cover of the Missouri Livestock Symposium program book. A \$100 prize will also be awarded to the photo selected.

Photos entered into the contest can be found on the Symposium's Flickr stream at <https://www.flickr.com/photos/missou->

rilivestock/ and on their Facebook page.

The Missouri Livestock Symposium is the premier educational event and trade show for livestock producers. The event is held December 6 & 7, 2024 at the William Matthew Middle School in Kirksville, MO. The Symposium features nationally known speakers covering timely topics, a large agricultural trade show, and free meals provided by our state's finest commodity groups. There is no cost to attend and no pre-registration is required.

For more information on the Missouri Livestock Symposium, please visit our website at <https://missourilivestock.com/>, our Facebook page, or call 660-665-9866.

Kirksville Optimist Club recognizes 'Students of the Quarter'

By Kirksville Optimist Club

The Kirksville Optimist Club gave out its "Students of the Quarter" award at a recent meeting of the club. Recipients of the recent

quarter include Gracie Baker, who attends Adair County R-II; Chloe Schwend, who attends Mary Immaculate School; and Eliel Mungyeko-Tazi, who attends William Matthew Middle School.



Chloe Schwend



Eliel Mungyeko-Tazi



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OBITUARIES

Henry David Wohlers

Henry David Wohlers (known to friends as Dave), age 72, passed away on October 23, 2024 at his home in Kirksville, MO, following a lengthy battle with cancer.

David was born in Davenport, IA to Henry Wohlers and Emogene (Arp) Wohlers, both of whom preceded him in death. He is survived by his wife, Debra K. (Funke) Wohlers of Kirksville, daughter Jessica Wohlers of Fayette, MO, and three sons: Joshua Wohlers and his wife Carrie, of Clark, MO, John Devon Wohlers of Kirksville, MO, and Nathan Wohlers and his wife Tory, of Memphis, MO. Another son, Jacob Matthew Wohlers, passed away in 1985 at the age of 3. David is also survived by his four sisters and their spouses: Virginia Veldhouse of Chillicothe, IL, and husband Lonnie; Patricia Wohlers of Tampa, FL; Pamela Dau of San Antonio, TX, and husband Michael; and Sarah Hines of Davenport, IA, and husband Steve, as well as one brother, Samuel Wohlers of Abilene, TX, five grandchildren: Jacob, Joe, Gabrielle, Kass and Angel, and numerous nieces and nephews.

David was born with a genetic condition which caused him to slowly lose his eyesight; he was totally blind by the age of 8. He attended the Iowa School for the Blind in Vinton, IA, from kindergarten through grade 11, then transferred to Central High School in Davenport where he graduated in 1970. He went on to attend the University of Iowa, where he graduated in 1975, having earned bachelor's degrees in both Math and Chemistry. From there, he attended graduate school at Kansas State University in Manhattan, KS, where he also met and married his wife, Debra, in 1979. David was awarded a Ph.D. in Chemistry from KSU in 1983, becoming one of the very few totally blind PhD chemists in the world. After teaching at KSU for a year following graduation, David accepted a full-time assistant professorship at Truman State University and moved to Kirksville with wife Debra and son Jacob. Dr. Wohlers taught chemistry at Truman for 33 years, earning tenure as a full professor, and retiring with emeritus status in 2017. During his career, he served many years on the American Chemical Society's Committee for Chemists with Disabilities, contributing to many articles and speaking at numerous conferences on the topic of making chemistry, and science education in general, accessible for students with disabilities.

After retirement, David was active as an elder at Cornerstone Church in Kirksville. He was a man of great faith who loved studying Scripture, teaching discipleship classes, and occasionally speaking from the pulpit at Cornerstone. He also enjoyed gospel music, traveling, following KC Royals baseball and KC Chiefs football, and spending time with his family. He continued to work toward making science education accessible for people with disabilities, speaking at a conference at Princeton University in 2018 about teaching chemistry and laboratory courses to blind students. He continued advising students and teachers alike around the country on this topic and served on a committee to revise and improve the Braille system of scientific notation and chemical symbols. Dave led by example and was a living hero to his family and many friends.

Dr. Wohlers will be interred at the city cemetery near Washington, KS, on November 1, with a private graveside service scheduled for 1 pm. A celebration of his life will take place at Cornerstone Church, Kirksville, in early November, with further details to be announced.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in memory of Dr. David Wohlers to Samaritan's Purse (www.samaritanpurse.org), or may be left at or mailed to Travis-Noe Funeral Home, P.O. Box 306, Kirksville, MO 63501.



Michael Scott Western

Michael Scott Western of Greentop, MO passed away on Saturday, October 26, 2024.

He was the son of the late Donald James Western and Ellena Blanch (Scott) Western also of Greentop, MO. Mike was also preceded in death by his younger brother, Terry 'Joe' Western. He is survived by his older sister, Jane Ann (Western) Maulfair of Macungie, PA, as well as his wife Dolly Western of Greentop.

In 1966 Mike married the late Brenda Mitchell, mother of their 2 children, Shane and Shawna.

Later in life, Mike married Dolly McClure of Greentop, MO. As his story continued on, his life was filled with many good times spent with his family, children, and grandchildren. Eventually, four great-grandchildren joined this crew, of whom he was extremely proud.

On those warm summer days when Mike was a little boy, he endlessly followed his grandfather around the farm and loved learning how to grow corn and watermelon. Like most farm kids in rural Greentop, Mike attended the Wells one-room School through the 8th grade. He then attended the Greentop High School where he served as a class officer, graduating in the Class of 1963.

After graduation he served his country in the National Guard, completing basic training at Fort Dix in New Jersey. He went on to work many years in road construction with W. L. Miller Company where he made many lifelong friends while there. After retiring, Mike loved taking his dog to the farm to check his cattle and survey the landscape. Mike knew his cattle by name and they excitedly responded when he called.

A small oasis existed on the farm, otherwise known as 'The Shack'. The Shack was a refuge for Mike and served many important purposes. It was the place to plan the strategy for each season's deer hunt and a place to get warm by the wood stove and have a hot bowl of chili in the winter. It was the place to gather for wienie roasts in the summer and hayrides in the fall. Most importantly, it was a place where several of Mike's closest friends would meet every Sunday to make fun of each other and themselves all while playing endless games of Pitch. Some of Mike's best stories and favorite memories came from sitting around that old table each week with his good buddies, the late Dale Miller, Basil Walker, Dave Pearson, his brother, Joe; and cousin Ed Scott.

As time became an unfriendly companion, Mike suffered serious health problems which he bore with strength and dignity, never complaining of his situation. He loved life to the very end and Michael Scott Western will be dearly missed.

Mike is also survived by his son Shane (Shelley) Western of Greentop; daughter Shawna (Chad) Hudson of Mt. Pleasant, IA, step-son Doug McClure (Monica) of Colorado and Buck McClure (Trac) of Greentop; sister-in-law, Lola Western of Greentop, MO; his grandchildren Keely Western of Columbia, MO; Kaylee (Tim) Sehnert of Warrenton, MO; Bo (Teale) Western of Greentop; Gunner (Abbey) Western of Columbia, Brendan Hudson and Reese Hudson both of Mt. Pleasant, IA; step-grandsons Michael McClure and Josh (Lilly) McClure of Minnesota; and four great-grandchildren.

A service for Mike will be held at 2pm, Thursday October, 31st under the direction of Travis-Noe Funeral Home in Kirksville, with Sam Western presiding. Burial will follow at the Greentop Cemetery. Public visitation will be held 12pm — 2pm prior to the service.

Mike loved all animals big and small and we respectfully request, in lieu of flowers, any memorials be made in Mike's honor, to the Adair County Humane Society, and they may be left at or mailed to Travis-Noe Funeral Home, P.O. Box 306, Kirksville, MO 63501.



Jolyda Maxine 'Jody' (Munden) Fechtling

Apr 28, 1924 — Oct 22, 2024

Jolyda Maxine "Jody" (Munden) Fechtling, 100, of Novinger, Missouri passed away Tuesday, October 22, 2024 at the Schuyler County Nursing Home in Queen City, Missouri.

Jolyda was born April 28, 1924 in Kirksville, Missouri to the late Harrison and Grace (Kennedy) Munden. On November 21, 1947 she married Howard Fechtling who preceded her in death in 2008 after sixty-two years of marriage. She was also preceded in death by her sister, Enazi Osborn and her husband Earl Dean.

Jody is survived by two sons and a daughter-in-law Dana and LaDonna Fechtling of Albia, IA, and Dennis Fechtling of Novinger, MO; two granddaughters, Shawna Fechtling of Albia, IA, and Britney (Fechtling) Athon of Kirksville, MO; four great-grandchildren, Ellie Athon of Kirksville, MO, Chloe Ford of Albia, IA, and Andrew and Brett Ford both Albia, IA; one nephew Greg Guffey and wife Lori of Kirksville, MO; one great niece, Chloe Guffey of Kirksville, MO. She was also survived by the Trammel family, Pauline and David, their sons Nathan and Garrett of Jefferson City, MO, who she called family, as well as cousins, and many friends.

Jody graduated from Novinger High School with the Class of 1943. She was employed in Rockford, IL at an aircraft factory until it closed. At that time Jody returned to Missouri and was employed in the admissions office at Kirksville Osteopathic Hospital, later in the business office.

At the time of her death Jody was a board member and secretary/treasurer of Lone Pine Cemetery, the office she had held for thirty-three years.

Jody loved her family, her grandchildren, her great-grandchildren which were very special to her. She loved knitting and reading.

Public visitation will be held on Tuesday, October 29, 2024 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. service time at Travis-Noe Funeral Home in Kirksville, with Pastor Paul Crossgrove officiating. Interment will follow the service at Lone Pine Cemetery north of Martinstown, Missouri.

Memorial donations in memory of Jody may be made to the Lone Pine Cemetery and may be left at or mailed to Travis-Noe Funeral Home, P.O. Box 306, Kirksville, MO 63501.



Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours celebrates Chariton Valley Association's Center for Human Services

By Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce

The Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce held a Business After Hours program at the DuKum Inn on Thursday Sept. 19, sponsored by the Chariton Valley Association's Center for Human Services and The DuKum Inn.



Rural Advocates for Independent Living receives the Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce 'Lookin' Good Award'

By Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce

Rural Advocates for Independent Living (R.A.I.L.) assist persons with disabilities to live as independently as they choose within the communities of their choice. This amazing organization has

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It's biological and bizarre

I'm not sure how it happened, but Tom and I raised three kids who love scary movies. It wasn't genetic.

These precious babies, who once watched cartoons while sipping juice boxes, grew into young adults who love to pile into a car together and go to a movie that would melt my face off and cause permanent insomnia.

Why do they do this? What's so fun about being scared? I just spent two decades trying to protect these people from terror, only to have them grow up and pay eleven bucks to be immersed in it while devouring Milk Duds. How does this happen?

After some research, I think I'm beginning to understand. It turns out that fear is more complex than I gave it credit for. According to psychologists at the Cleveland Clinic, the human brain is hard-wired to feel freaked out and have fun at the same time.

It's all about chemical reactions. When we feel scared, the part of our brain that controls the fight-or-flight response starts cranking out two hormones — adrenaline and cortisol. The adrenaline then triggers the release of dopamine and endorphins, which are "feel-good" hormones. So, the upside of being petrified during a movie is that you get the rush of those feel-good hormones without the physical threat of being murdered with a chainsaw.

But three things must be in place before fear can feel fun. According to an article in the Harvard Business Review, research suggests that people need three different types of "protective frames" to feel happy yet horrified at the same time.

1) Safety: You don't have to go to Harvard to know that if the shark from Jaws actually burst through a screen and gobbled people up like Skittles, ticket sales would go way down. One of the reasons people can enjoy scary movies is because we know that, in a couple hours, the movie will end. The hero will (probably) make it out alive. And we'll drive home while we laugh about all the scenes that made us jump, gasp, and possibly pee a little.

2) Detachment: My daughter is especially good at detachment because she loves acting and studies the behind-the-scenes work of plays and movies. One time seven years ago, when we were in a theatre watching a movie called "A Dog's Purpose," I dissolved



GWEN ROCKWOOD
THE ROCKWOOD FILES

into a full-on "ugly cry" when the movie dog died. My then 10-year-old daughter put an arm around me and said, "Mom, it's okay. Remember, the dog is an actor. They trained him for this, and he got treats. He's fine." (She was right, but I'm still sad about that fictional dog.) In movie studios all over the world, people are using their God-given creativity to design fictional monsters and special effects so disgusting that it makes me gag on my Raisinets. But they're getting paid to create a safe scare, and I bet their parents are proud because that art degree really was an awesome idea after all.

3) Control: Fear doesn't feel out of control when you can press pause to make the zombies stop eating brains. If the hair on the back of your neck stands up, you can stand up and escape to the concession stand. When you're in control, the danger feels more doable.

Even if you have the trifecta of safety, detachment, and control, you might still avoid scary movies, and that's okay. Some of us are overthinkers who replay things in our minds and then worry about fictional characters long after the movie ends. (For example, I nearly taped my eyelids open after watching Nightmare on Elm Street as a teenager in 1985.)

If you, however, are one of the lucky people who can escape this nerve-racking election season by diving into even stranger things in a movie, you should go for it. I hope this Halloween brings you all the thrills and chills you crave.

But if you're like me and cover your eyes when a 30-second horror movie preview comes on TV, just know we're not alone. Think about how many fun-size Twix bars and Reese's peanut butter cups are floating around on October 31st. Scary movies aren't the only things that trigger the release of delightful dopamine. Chocolate does, too.

Pass the candy bowl.

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Northeast Regional Medical Center construction update: Radiology entrance temporarily closed

By Northeast Regional Medical Center

Beginning Thursday, Oct. 17, the radiology entrance to Northeast Regional Medical Center will be temporarily closed to accommodate planned construction for a new MRI unit. The new technology offers advanced diagnostic capabilities and has capacity to accommodate larger patients.

During the construction phase, the hospital asks that all patients enter through the main hospital entrance. Staff



will be available to assist with wayfinding.

A mobile MRI unit has been placed, allowing for minimal disruption of services provided

during this phase.

The ER entrance is unaffected and should continue to be used by emergency patients.

The hospital reminds people to use caution when driving through hospital parking lots and roadways, as there may be increased traffic congestion and pedestrian traffic. Roadblocks and entrance closure signs will be posted.

The new unit is expected to be in place, and the Radiology Entrance reopened, before the end of the year.

Local child advocates selected for statewide early care and education fellowship

By Kids Win Missouri

JEFFERSON CITY — Crystal Bass and Danielle Bopp, child advocates from Kirksville, have been selected to participate in the Kids Win Missouri Early Care and Education Leader Fellowship for 2024-2025. The fellowship was launched in 2022 to give childcare providers, parents and caretakers across the state a voice in the policymaking process and a seat at the table in advocating for policies that impact child and family well-being.

Bass and Bopp are both parents who have experienced firsthand the challenges of accessing quality child care for their own children. Bass is also the center supervisor and family advocate at a local center and has many years of experience working with families, conducting home visits and holding regular parent

meetings and events. They are eager to explore and engage with the policy process and use this fellowship as an opportunity to share their own stories and become better advocates for all children and families.

The Kids Win Missouri ECE Leader Fellowship engages and activates a broad network of parents and providers throughout the state while developing their leadership, policy and advocacy skills. Fellows also engage other parents and providers from throughout their region and bring awareness to other regional issues impacting children and families.

"We are excited to announce another incredible group of parents and providers committed to addressing the early care and education crisis facing Missouri children and families," said Brian Schmidt, executive director of Kids Win Missouri. "In recent



Danielle Bopp (right) and Crystal Bass.

years, our fellows have been an integral part of important policy wins to improve early care and education access and affordability."

In early September, the ECE Leader Fellows had their first in-person convening in Jefferson City during the annual Legislative Veto Session. Throughout the Fall, fellows will work with community engagement partners to hold regional engagement events with parents, providers, and legislators.

Learn more about the fellowship at <https://mochampionofchildren.com/fellow-feature/>.

SYMPOSIUM

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There is no cost to attend the Missouri Livestock Symposium and no advance registration required.

The symposium offers a free beef dinner, at 6 p.m. Friday and a free lunch on Saturday. Meals are sponsored by Missouri commodity groups. A volunteer symposium committee organizes the event.

The symposium is free thanks

to many sponsors, including Platinum level sponsors University of Missouri Extension, Sullivan Auctioneers, LLC, Missouri Department of Agriculture, Missouri Sheep Merchandising Council, FCS Financial, KTVO

Studios, USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service, NEMO Feed, Pepsi-Cola Memphis Bottling, and the Missouri Beef Industry Council.

Details and additional sponsors can be found at www.missourilive-

stock.com. Questions can also be directed to the Adair County MU Extension Center at 660-665-9866, or Garry Mathes at 660-341-6625.

The symposium draws visitors from across Missouri and nearby states.

LEARNING

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Through the Mandt System training for Providers, they also provide specialized training for service providers, focusing on strategies that support individuals and foster a strong, inclusive community.

Aligned with Missouri Quality Outcomes

The CLC programs reflect the Missouri Quality Outcomes, which prioritize independence, choice, and inclusion in all areas of life. The objectives align with these principles to ensure individuals can:

- Participate in meaningful daily activities through programs like Fun with Music, Crafts, and Social Media Safety.

- Live in environments of their choice, supported by services that promote independence.

- Build valued roles and relationships through social and spiritual engagement, as seen in programs like People First and Exercise Your Mind.

- Promote health and well-being through informed choices,

supported by health-focused programs such as Breathe Easy.

- Ensure safety and security by educating individuals about their rights and strategies for self-protection.

- Advocate for personal goals and dreams, supported by programs like Smart Trust and Heroic Hygiene Skills.

Looking Forward

"As we reflect on 15 years of service, we are reminded of the countless lives touched by the Community Learning Center," Executive Director Crystal Aminirad wrote in an email. "With every activity, class, and program, the CLC has helped create a stronger, more inclusive community where individuals with developmental disabilities are empowered to live their best lives."

Aminirad said they extend their deepest gratitude to the participants, families, staff, and community partners for making these 15 years a success.

"Together, we look forward to many more years of growth, inclusion, and support," she wrote. "Happy Anniversary, Adair County SB40 CLC! Here's to many more years of success!"

UTILITY

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She said that currently, sewer costs have had the most recent increase, which was in 2023. She noted that the city had also constructed a new wastewater treatment facility and that the city was mandated to implement a disinfection process on top of that plant.

"So we're currently working on that multi-million dollar project to implement and then we are also completing a project for a secondary primary clarifier at our water plant," King told the council. "Based on that information, how it will impact our citizens. We're anticipating that if you have a normal 5/8th meter, and at least 75 percent of the city has a 5/8th meter, and then they have the minimum consumption, which that would be approximately 1,500 gallons a month that they would use, it would be an increase of \$1.96 per customer per month."

She said that for a family of four and their basic usage per month, approximately 5,000 gallons, that increase would be \$4.18

King said the increases for the service availability fee are expected to generate approximately \$98,000 in revenue, money that will go directly into the capital replacement fund. She said that volume charges for water and wastewater, based on the consumption levels of the last two years, will approximately raise revenues by \$470,000. She said that even with those increases, it is not fully sufficient to cover the expenditures the city has had in the last few years.

"I know council hates to raise rates for our citizens, and we understand the burden that that can cause, so the numbers that we presented have been very delicate," King said.

Council member Kabir Bansal said that raising the rates is always something that is "kind of is alarming to a lot of people," but he felt that King's presentation was done well.

"My main thing was, was this rate increase really, absolutely necessary? ...and it was because we're going to be net negative if we don't actually do this based off of the projects you listed out," he told King. "So it's something that we need to do for the

entire community, otherwise we're going to be negative — we're going to be in the red."

Mayor Zac Burden closed the public hearing and later in the council meeting, brought the rate increase back up as a resolution. King then asked the council to approve the rate increase.

A member of the public spoke on the increase, stating that her taxes had increased by \$200 two years ago and that the increase would be a hardship for her.

"I can't afford anymore taxes," she told the council. "That 10 cents on the dollar when you go to the store, I can't hardly afford that let alone keep any money in my bank account for taxes."

The woman said that her sewer and my trash costs had already gone up, and that she lives in a total electric home with a bill of \$167 a month.

"That's not counting all my my other bills to keep up my home," she said. "So putting more taxes on people like me is going to hurt us. It's not going to help us."

The council voted unanimously to approve the utility rate increase.

EMBRACING LOCAL HISTORY Part 126

The Miller Family Legacy in Adair County – Chapter 2

By Blytha Ellis, President
Adair County Historical Society
and Museum

Valentine Miller's son, Charles V. Miller, remained in Kirksville when others in his family moved to the boom mining town of Novinger in the early 1900s. Charles operated the Miller Lumberyard and other interests in Kirksville. He served one term as Kirksville City Clerk and held an interest in the Kirksville Building and Loan Association.

An aggressive businessman like his father, Charles V. Miller would eventually lean heavily into the apartment-building business in Kirksville, particularly after World War I when apartment living was at its peak of popularity. In about 1918-19, he constructed the three-story Miller Building on the northeast corner of Franklin and Jefferson Streets. This was just a block south on Franklin Street from his father's V. Miller Building. Charles' white brick and stucco building boasted a similar design to that of his father's building, with stores and businesses on the first floor, and apartments above. However, this structure contained more apartments than his father's building.

Newspapers of the day reported that Charles V. Miller had first planned to build a large hotel in this location and name it the Franklin Hotel since it was on Franklin Street. Later newspaper articles told that the proposed name had been changed to the Valentine Hotel. However, the hotel never came about, and the Miller business / apartment building took its place. This was reportedly the first large apartment building in Kirksville and the largest stucco building in Missouri.

Sadly, this structure became outdated and fell into disrepair in the twenty-first century and was demolished in 2013. Part of this vacant lot later became home to the new Sue Ross Arts Center in Kirksville. Ironically, the previous Kirksville Arts Center had been located in the V. Miller Building a block north. The V. Miller Building was destroyed by fire on Dec. 2, 2016.

In the 1930s, Charles V. Miller's own home was at 304 S. Franklin in Kirksville. This was the mansion built by William T. Baird, Kirksville banker, who died in 1911. Then, it had been the home of Mr. Miller's business colleague, Dr. Harry Mix Still, in the 1920s. (See Part 72 of this history for more on William T. Baird and the mansion he built.)

The V. Miller Building and the Miller Building would not be the only two commercial buildings of this kind in Kirksville owned by the Millers. This first family of Kirksville also acquired the prime northeast corner lot of Franklin and Harrison Streets on the Kirksville square and tore



The Miller Building, northeast corner of Franklin and Jefferson Streets in Kirksville, 1918-19, believed to be the largest stucco building in Missouri when built. It was demolished in 2013



down the old Kirksville Trust Company building which existed there. In its place, another handsome three-story brick building was erected and named the Baxter-Miller Building, since the Miller family collaborated with their son-in-law, C. J. Baxter, for the construction of this building. Again, the street-level floor contained numerous shops while the second floor accommodated doctors and dentists, and the third floor offered convenient downtown living for apartment dwellers. This historic building remains in use today.

Next, Charles Miller moved on to build the Karlton Apartments at 202 E. Jefferson Street, named after his son, Karl Miller. In 1924, the \$51,000, 15-resident Rollins Apartment building was constructed at 216 S. Mulanix Street when Charles Miller partnered with his nephew-in-law, Irwin Dunbar, and contractor Stanley V. Rollins. These are still fully-functioning apartment buildings today.

Charles Miller also owned the property across the street west of his Miller Building on Franklin Street, and there he developed the Blue Cross Service and Gas Station, an enterprise ahead of its time. It was not only a gas station but maintained shops in an "L" shape around the station in a mini-mall fashion where everything from tires to appliances were sold. Charles put his son, Karl, in charge of this station until it was purchased by a new owner. This is now the location of Equity Bank (formerly the Bank of Kirksville).

Karl Miller also managed the Miller and Karlton Apartment Buildings, operated the Kirksville Radio and Electric Company in one of the store fronts of the Miller Building, managed the Baxter Lumber Company of Kirksville, and was a partner in the Highway Lumber Company on South Highway 63 in Kirksville. In 1924, he was elected president of the local Northeast Missouri Lumbermen's Association. Karl owned a large, quite impressive home at 415

E. Pierce Street in Kirksville, which was probably also a Miller construction.

When coal was discovered closer to Kirksville on its west side, the Miller sons moved from Novinger back to Kirksville. The Star Coal Company and the Big Creek Coal Company were formed with capital supplied by the Millers, along with other investors. The coal production exported by these companies was so large that special rail lines were run for three miles out of Kirksville from the Wabash Railroad to handle the flow of this black gold. With Charles Miller at the helm of these lucrative coal companies from 1915 to 1925, Adair County ranked in first place as top coal producer in the State of Missouri.

Valentine Miller's son, Frank Class Miller (1867-1948), broke with family tradition and became an osteopathic physician and practiced in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. However, in 1903, the "Kirksville Journal" newspaper reported that Dr. Frank Miller was returning to Adair County to "take charge of the V. Miller lumber yards and furniture store at Novinger."

Dr. Miller had married into another prominent family of Kirksville, the Porters. His wife was Stacy Grogan Porter (1866-1955), daughter of John Luther Porter (1834-1924) who was in real estate, telegraph line construction, retail clothing and grocery, coal mining, railroads, apartment buildings, schools, and public service in Adair County. (The life of John Luther Porter was covered in Parts 76 through 79 of this history.)

Valentine Miller died in 1925 at the age of 92, despite his love for cigars, reportedly smoking 15 of them per day. He had a remarkably successful life and left a tremendous legacy to the city of Kirksville. It also appears that he relayed his savvy business skills to his children who were highly motivated and accomplished in the business world of their time.

Not to be outdone by the men in her family, Carrie (Miller) Kennedy (1862-1942), along with her husband, John Mason Kennedy (1854-1915), became entrepreneurs in their own right. More on the Miller and Kennedy families in our next episode.

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TURNING THE PAGE

This Week in Local History

By Larry Evans

105 Years Ago, October 24, 1919

"Uncle" George Cain, (1833-1919) who claimed the distinction of being the first white child born in the area that is now Adair County, died on the farm on which he was born. He was 86 years old and spent his entire life on the Cain family farm six miles west of Kirksville. Funeral services were to be held at the family home and burial was to take place in the Cain-Collett Cemetery located on the farm his father, John Cain, originally purchased from the U.S. government. John Cain was one of the first permanent settlers in Adair County. He was a native of North Carolina who in early manhood migrated to Kentucky where he is reported to have been a friend of Daniel Boone. The Cain family moved from Kentucky to Missouri in the early part of the 1800s and settled in Howard County. In 1830 they moved from Howard County to the area that became Adair County in 1841.

105 Years Ago, October 27, 1919

Kirksville was preparing to withstand the siege of a long coal miners' strike that was due to start November 1. The nation's coal miners under the union leadership of John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers (UMW), were set to strike for a wage increase, a six-hour work day, a five-day work week. When it was learned that a coal miners' strike was pending, Kirksville residents began stockpiling their coal bins in preparation for a long winter with the possibility of coal shortages. Due to the large number of coal mines in Adair County, most Kirksville residents utilized coal as a source of heat because it was readily available at a reasonable price. Kirksville's Big Creek Coal Company and other area coal mines were doing their best to ensure that residents had an adequate supply of coal for the upcoming coal-burning season. Despite their best efforts, the coal companies were limiting the distribution of coal to ensure that all people had coal and to prevent coal hoarding. When the miners went on strike, some 2,000 Adair County miners were out of work. Nationwide nearly 400,000 miners were out on strike. The strike continued until December 10, 1919, when the UAW and mining companies reached a partial satisfactory agreement giving coal miner's a fourteen percent wage increase and the appointment of an investigatory commission to continue the exploration of the wage issue. The nation's coal supply was running low and public sentiment was calling for stronger governmental action to end the strike. Prior to the strike, local coal miners were receiving 85 cents per day for their work.

100 Years Ago, October 30, 1924

A fist fight between two rural Adair County farmers who resided northwest of Kirksville took place on the west side of the Kirksville square Saturday afternoon. Although only a few blows were struck each man was knocked down. One man came out of the fracas unhurt while the other was treated at the office of Dr. C.M.C. Willcox. The unharmed man, after knocking his adversary to the ground, then stomped his heel on the other's face injuring his left eye. The apparent "winner" of the fight was arrested by Police Chief Willis and taken to police court where he entered a plea of guilty and was fined \$1 plus costs. The two men had been having a dispute over the location of a fence on their adjoining farms.

85 Years Ago, October 25, 1939

Lucille Stanley, a 13-year-old Kirksville Junior High School student, was sentenced to the Girl's Industrial School at Chillicothe until she was 21 years old. The sentencing judge of the juvenile court was Judge E. C. Hilbert. The girl had



confessed to taking a pocketbook the day before from Mrs. Marvin Florea, who oversaw the alteration department at Montgomery Wards. The pocketbook contained \$21. The girl went to the alteration room of the store and told Mrs. Florea she had been sent there by her sister to get a dress she had left for alteration. She told Mrs. Florea what the dress looked like, and Mrs. Florea went to look for it. She returned saying that she could not find it. At that point the girl left the store. Shortly thereafter Mrs. Florea discovered that her purse was missing. She recalled that the same girl had been suspected of taking her pocketbook a year earlier. Mrs. Florea then went to the Junior High School and informed school officials of her suspicions. The girl was observed until the county truant officer arrived. He questioned the girl and searched her locker. The money was found in a book. Upon further questioning the girl admitted taking the money and told officials where she had left the pocketbook. That location was checked, and the pocketbook was found. After further investigation, it was found that the Stanley girl was suspected of taking money in some other instances, but there was never enough evidence to charge the girl.

80 Years Ago, November 1, 1944

Pfc. James C. Mears was killed in action in Germany on October 4, according to word received from the Secretary of War by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Mears, who resided southwest of Kirksville. Word had been received earlier that he was missing in action. Young Mears graduated from Kirksville High School in 1942 where he was a member of the football and basketball teams. He entered the armed services March 7, 1943, and arrived in England for overseas duty on June 4. Mears was 20 years old and was in the infantry. Besides his parents, he was survived by two brothers, Marvin and Richard of the home. On November 5, Mears' body arrived in Kirksville where services were held, and he was laid to rest in the Sloan's Point Cemetery, near his home. Pfc. Mears' body was one of seven area World War II heroes whose bodies were being returned for burial.

70 Years Ago, October 28, 1954

The cornerstone laying ceremony for the new First Methodist Church was to be held the following Sunday. Methodist Church Bishop Ivan Lee Holt of St. Louis was set to conduct the ceremony and would also deliver the sermon at the regular Sunday morning service. Ralph H. Hicks, pastor of the Kirksville Methodist Church was to assist with the ceremony.

70 Years Ago, November 2, 1954

A light snow left Kirksville streets slippery for a time, and the Missouri State Highway Patrol reported highway driving hazardous in several north Missouri areas. Kirksville's temperature reading for the night of the snow set a record for that date as the thermometers dropped to 18 degrees. The high temperature the day following the snow was 36 degrees.

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Missouri State Highway Patrol: Have a safe Halloween

By Missouri State Highway Patrol

Col. Eric T. Olson, superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, encourages everyone to have a safe Halloween.

It's that time of year when young ghosts, vampires, superheroes and cartoon characters are planning their night of trick-or-treating. While some local events take place in large parking lots the weekend prior, many trick-or-treaters will be out on Halloween night. It's imperative that drivers and pedestrians stay alert.

Young children excited by Halloween could dart in front of a vehicle. Slow down and drive with extra caution. Expect an increase in the number of slow-moving

vehicles in neighborhoods as motorists pick up and drop off trick-or-treaters. Please be courteous and stay alert for trick-or-treaters of all ages. Distracted drivers are dangerous drivers — when you're driving, keep your eyes on the road, not on your phone!

Parents, please remind children to approach only familiar houses that are well-lit. Remind them they should never enter a stranger's house or vehicle. Consider trick-or-treating with your children for their safety and because it's a fun way to spend an evening. Give some thought to safety when choosing a costume. Consider using make-up rather than wearing a mask, which can obstruct a child's vision making it difficult to see an

oncoming car. A light-colored costume is easier for drivers to see at night and adding reflective tape to dark costumes makes them visible. Flame resistant costumes are encouraged.

All trick-or-treaters are reminded to watch for traffic while they are out and about this Halloween. Remember to look both ways when crossing the street. Use sidewalks wherever possible and trick-or-treat while it is light outside. If you do go out after dark, increase your visibility by using a flashlight and wearing a light-colored costume. An adult should always accompany small children, and older children should stay in groups.

Halloween isn't just for children. Many adults enjoy dressing up and vis-



iting haunted houses or attending gatherings of friends. If you are driving to a costume party, make sure your costume doesn't hamper your vision. If you

attend a Halloween party that includes alcohol, designate a sober driver for the trip home. Alcohol, even in small amounts, slows reaction time and

dulls the senses. Driving after you've had alcohol could have a sad and possibly deadly result.

Have a safe, happy Halloween!

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1820 S. Baltimore, Baltimore & LaHarpe
David Lukefahr, Pastor
7:30 a.m. The Lutheran Hour KLTE
8:15 a.m. Worship Service Peace, Milan
9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study Faith
9:00 a.m. Sunday School Faith
10:15 a.m. Worship Service Faith
10:00 p.m. Issues, Etc. 107.9 KLTE
www.faithkirksville.org

Hamilton Street Baptist Church

802 W. Hamilton
Pastor Tim Ingles
9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Small Groups
10:15 a.m. Worship Service
www.hamiltonstreet.org

Rehoboth Baptist Church

100 Pfeiffer Rd.
Curtis Ferguson, Pastor
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Fellowship
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
rbchurch.net • 660-665-7577

First Presbyterian Church (USA)

201 S. High at McPherson
Communion 1st Sunday
9:30 a.m. Morning Worship
10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
11:00 a.m. Church School/all ages
5:30 p.m. College Fellowship

Kirksville Church of Christ

110 Pfeiffer Ave.
Elders/Pastors: Dan Green, Dean Hansen
10:00 a.m. Bible Study
11 a.m. Worship
Weds 6:30p.m. Bible Study
www.kvccoc.org

First Baptist Church

207 E. Washington
Jason Marlin, Pastor
9:30 a.m. Bible Study for all ages
10:45 a.m. Worship & Kidz Worship
firstbaptistkirksville.com

Faith United Methodist Church

1602 E. Illinois
Pastor: Joshua Ritzheimer
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship
Southside Baptist Church
1010 W. Burton
Pastor: Aaron Rodgerson
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Preaching
6:30 p.m. Evening Service

First Church of God

2900 S. Halliburton
Tiffany and Michael Vincent
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
www.firstchurchoflove.com

Central Church of Christ

2010 S. Halliburton
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 am. Worship Service

Faith Baptist Church

502 N. Florence
Pastor: Brandon Rhea
10:00 a.m. Bible Study
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
12:30 p.m. Noon Lunch

The Crossing Church

810 E. Shepherd Ave.
9 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Sunday Service
www.thecrossing.net

Grace Community Bible Church

1501 E. Northtown Rd.
Benjamin Jorden, Pastor
Affiliated with the Evangelical Free Church of America
9:30 a.m. Worship
11:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
12 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m. Small groups
KirksvilleGCBCC@gmail.com
www.KirksvilleGCBCC.com • 660.665.1615

First United Methodist Church

300 E. Washington
Pastor: Choongho Kwon
9:30 a.m. Worship In Person & Online
kvumc.org

Pure Air Baptist Church

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
TBA Bible Study

Church of God of Prophecy

807 Benton Way
Pastor: Rob Linhart
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
6:30 p.m. Evening Service

Fellowship Baptist Church

1701 S. Jamison St., Kirksville
Larry Gibson, Pastor
9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship
10:30 a.m. Sunday Bible Study
fbck@sbcglobal.net
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Yarrow Methodist Church

Highway N., Yarrow
Pastor David Stuckey
10:00 a.m. Sunday Services

Mary Immaculate Catholic Church

Weekday Masses: Tuesday: 5:30 p.m.
Wed. & Friday: 7 a.m., Thursday: 8 a.m.
Weekend Masses: Saturday: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

Catholic Newman Center

11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Sunday
7:00 a.m. Monday
9:00 p.m. Wednesday

Union Temple Church

Southwest of Kirksville
Alan Coonfield, Pastor
Every Sunday Evening
5-5:30 p.m. Bible Study
5:30-6:30 p.m. Church Service

Sugar Creek Baptist Church

5 mi South on Hwy 3
Pastor, Virgil K. Jones
10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Hazel Creek Primitive Baptist Church

2 mi. W. Greentop on Rt. K then 1/2 mi. S.
Elder Dillion Thurman, minister
Services on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
10:30 a.m. Song Service
11:00 a.m. Preaching

Meadow Brook Christian Church

602 E. Washington
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 Morning Worship

St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church

Novinger, Mo.
7:30 a.m. Sunday

Life Church of Kirksville

112 W. Potter
Jeremy Pingle, Pastor
10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Service

Community Presbyterian Church

210 N. Owensby, LaPlata, Mo
Pastor Rev Jeff Carter
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:40 a.m. Worship Service

Cornerstone Church

1702 N Elson St Kirksville, MO
Jeremy Broach, Senior Pastor
Chad Stearman, Associate Pastor
Sunday 10 am - Morning Worship
Wednesday 6:30 pm-8 pm Family Ministry Night
www.cornerstonechurch.faith

Countryside Christian Church

S. Boundary St. Rt. H, Troy Mills
Preacher, Harold R. Engel
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Illinois Bend Community Church

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9:30 a.m. Bible Study
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Baring Community Church

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Downing Christian Church

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Associate Minister Larry Smith
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10:30 am Worship Service
6:00 pm Evening Service
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10:00 a.m. Worship

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10:30 a.m. Worship Service

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9:00 a.m. Worship
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7:00 p.m. Evening Worship.

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9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Grace Bible Baptist Church

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5:00 p.m. Evening Service

Winigan Christian Church

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10:30 a.m. Morning Worship Service

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Truman State University holds 2024 Homecoming parade

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By Marty Bachman
Daily Express

Truman State University's annual Homecoming parade was held on a frosty morning, Saturday, Oct. 26. The parade began in downtown Kirksville and ran down South Franklin

Street through the campus, with the street packed with onlookers on both sides. The parade featured an array of local celebrities, marching bands, floats, mascots and participants from many local organizations. Go to kirksvilledailyexpress.com to see a video of the parade.



Upcoming North Missouri road work

By MoDOT

The following is a list of general highway maintenance work the Missouri Department of Transportation has planned in the Northern Missouri region for the next few weeks. All road closures and planned roadwork may be viewed on the Traveler Information Map at <http://traveler.modot.org/map/>. Inclement weather may cause schedule changes in some of the planned work. There may also be moving operations throughout the region, in addition to the work mentioned below.

Adair County

Route HH – Oct. 28, Closed for culvert replacement operations from Gifford Trail to Sumac Trail between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Putnam County

Route 129 – Closed at the North Blackbird Creek Bridge for a bridge rehabilitation project through February 2025.

Route U – Closed at the East Locust Creek Bridge for a bridge rehabilitation project through mid-December 2024.

Route M – Closed at the Medicine Creek Fork Bridge for a bridge rehabilitation project through January 2025.

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Route MM – Closed for a culvert replacement from Route 139 to Bale Drive, Oct. 28-29, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily.

Route MM – Closed for a culvert replacement from Blossom Drive to Route DD, Oct. 29-30, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily.

Route MM – Closed for a culvert replacement from Route DD to Cedar Drive, Oct. 31, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Route MM – Closed for a culvert replacement from Cedar Drive to Route Z, Nov. 1, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Kirksville City Council approves ordinance allowing temporary variance of code

By Marty Bachman
Daily Express

The Kirksville City Council, at their Oct. 21 meeting, approved an ordinance allowing a temporary variance for MA Bank, located at 2026 N. Baltimore Street.

According to a staff report by City Planner Sara Knipe, the variance request was submitted by MA Bank to operate a temporary bank at the location while varying the requirement that all driving surfaces be hard surfaces.

"A Variance from this code would allow MA Bank to place gravel instead of a hard surface — as the Municipal Code requires — between the existing concrete approach off of Northtown Road to their temporary bank," Knipe wrote in her report to the city council.

She said there were several factors to be considered when evaluating the variance request.

"First, MA Bank is contractually obligated to return the property to its original state following the end of its lease of this property," she wrote. "This includes the demolition and removal of all temporary structures."

She said that installing hard surfaces now would require additional demolition and removal, adding unnecessary cost, time and effort.

"Second, and equally important, is the environmental impact," Knipe wrote. "Using a hard surface, such as concrete, would lead to an unnecessary increase in greenhouse gas emissions. In alignment with Kirksville's THINK Kirksville 2040 Comprehensive Plan, allowing an eco-friendly solution like gravel would

contribute to reducing unnecessary emissions."

She said that additionally, gravel will allow for better water permeability and stormwater management during this period, further supporting the city's commitment to managing stormwater in an environmentally responsible way. She said that the city's planning and zoning commission made a recommendation to the city council on Oct. 9, to approve the variance.

"In line with precedent, City staff recommend a three-year time limit be imposed on the variance, allowing for a review of the situation at the end of this period," she wrote.

Knipe told the council at their meeting, that MA Bank was required by its landlord to return the property in the condition they found it, which would require them to tear up the concrete when the lease expired.

"So ripping up all that concrete and everything would be quite a lot of unnecessary construction," she said.

Mayor Zac Burden asked for a timeline of events, asking if it was requested before or after they had signed a lease. Knipe was unable to provide an exact date. Burden said he was worried because the city has had other businesses wanting to operate on gravel surfaces and asking for extensions from the city.

"Are we setting any precedent with this to where somebody else could come forward and say, 'Look, I just want to run a temporary business for three years on a spot that already has gravel,'" Burden said. "I don't want to have to follow the code and put concrete in."

Burden said it was important because the council has said no or put other shorter timelines for other businesses that have come forward talking about gravel services. Knipe said that her concern would be the space size and location for the approval.

"Given the space size and location, it's very doable," she told Burden. "Other areas where it's accessibility

issues, where it's drainage issues, I would say no, but this one checks all the boxes."

Council member John Gardner said that for him, it's the temporary nature of the plan whereas for other requests, it was for a business that is in that location permanently and this location is just here temporarily while they build a permanent location.

"It just doesn't make a lot of sense to me to make them do all those things," Gardner said. "So the variance does make sense for me, from that perspective."

Burden suggested that anyone that's looking to develop in the community needs to think about these issues when selecting a site: Knowing all the zoning requirements so that they don't have to appear before the city council asking for variances, and being able to work within the existing law by knowing what are the requirements on the property they're looking at. He said that city staff is available from the beginning of that process to help out.



City Planner Sara Knipe speaks to the city council at their Monday, Oct. 21 meeting.

"I want to encourage folks to look at that as the way to go, as opposed to the variance route," Burden said.

Council member Jennifer Walston said she was surprised that the bank was actually able to locate a temporary structure on the property and that it was legally zoned. Knipe said that there is a whole industry dedicated to building temporary bank buildings and that it's a common occurrence. She said they will have to pour a temporary foundation for the temporary building to sit on but that they're going to have to tear it up once their permanent location is built.

Council member Rick Steele asked for clarification, stating that it was his understanding that if you

build a permanent structure, you have to follow all the rules but if it's a temporary structure, you don't have to. Burden said he agreed and questioned if there are circumstances that lend well towards granting a variance as opposed to changing it completely.

Council member Kabir Bansal said that he felt MA Bank is fairly well established and he had no doubt they were going to build a permanent structure and this was a temporary solution.

"As you had mentioned, Sara, this is a practice among banks when they're coming into a community," he said. "So I have no concerns with this specific line item to vote yes for."

The council unanimously approved the ordinance.

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Kirksville Area Chamber of Commerce host business after hours at Northeast Regional Medical Center

By Northeast Regional Medical Center

Northeast Regional Medical Center recently celebrated the 250th robotic-assisted surgery performed at the hospital. At a Kirksville Chamber after-hours event on Oct. 10, community members along with faculty and students from A.T. Still University were in attendance to mark the milestone. Patrick Avila, CEO, welcomed guests and highlighted recent updates about Northeast Regional Medical Center. Dr. Steven Lyons, general surgeon and member of the medical staff, spoke about his experience improving patient outcomes with ro-



Invasive robotic surgery technologies. Clinic surgical Da Vinci operation robot. ADOBESTOCK PHOTO

botic-assisted surgery. Dr. Kevin Marberry, orthopedic surgeon and member of the medical staff, also spoke about the benefits he has seen through the use of surgical robotics

such as improved accuracy and joint alignment. Robotics representatives were on-site, showcasing the robotics and allowing attendees to interact with the equipment.



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- November 30--*Hometown Holidays*
- December 12--*Business After Hours-Alliant Bank- 5:00-7:00 p.m.*

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Tigers control Centralia to complete perfect regular season

By Henry Janssen
Daily Express

No doubt, there's a lot of work left to be done, but this 2024 Kirksville football team has cemented its place within the program, the school, and the community forever. The Tigers defeated Centralia (6-3) on the road Friday night, 41-12, to finish the season 9-0 entering District play.

"I've said it a lot this season, but I'm just so proud of this group of kids," Kirksville coach Gregg Nesbitt said.

"Centralia's done a bang-up job with a couple of their best players being hurt. I thought it was a great tune up for both teams going into District competition. I challenged our kids at the half, and they really answered the bell."

Centralia fumbled on its opening possession and junior Kyle White recovered, but the Tigers and Panthers then exchanged punts. Kirksville senior back Jace Kent extended his outstand-



Carter Pinkerton rocks down the sideline after recovering a fumble late in the first quarter of Friday's victory in Centralia. His scoop-and-score touchdown gave the Tigers a 12-0 lead and put the game firmly in Kirksville's hands.

ing season when he opened scoring with a seven-yard touchdown rush.

In the blink of an eye, Kirksville's lead was 12-0 when it got a nicely-wrapped gift. Centralia fumbled and senior Carter Pinkerton scooted about 30 yards untouched.

"It was perfectly right into my hands, I just scooped it and scored it," Pinkerton said. "It was

definitely a huge momentum boost for us."

Both of the Tigers' first two extra point attempts were unsuccessful, however – a problem the Tigers will need to shore up if they intend to escape their brutal District. The Tigers began the season perfect on extra points through 19 attempts before running into some troubles in recent weeks. As an astonish-



Senior Hayden Davis shoves a Centralia defender to the ground on a first-down reception. Davis finished with 34 receiving yards. PHOTOS BY HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

ing side note, until Friday, every point-after attempt against the Panthers had been a two-point try. No one had attempted a single extra point against them.

Kirksville senior quarterback Ryder Lyons found Pinkerton on the left sideline on the Tigers' opening drive of the third quarter to give them a 20-0 lead, Centralia threw a pick, and Kent scored from three

yards out after senior Hayden Davis got them down there on a big rush.

At 27-0 with 7:50 left to play in the third, the Tigers were able to tap cruise control.

On Centralia's ensuing drive, the Panthers burned seven minutes and punched it in. Their other touchdown came on a 67-yard rush halfway through the fourth, the longest touch-

down the Tigers have allowed this season.

The Tigers allowed just 60 points all season, and 12 is the third-most they have allowed.

Lyons finished with 190 yards passing to five different receivers. Pinkerton finished with 66 yards. Kent rushed for 89 yards and added 34 yards receiving.

The Tigers will have their work cut out for them in a loaded Class 4 District 5, though. Warrenton comes in as the top seed, also undefeated and arguably just as dominant. The two schools have had no mutual opponents to compare, and Hannibal is also lurking in the District 5 waters. Kirksville will open District play hosting Mexico in a rematch of a 28-13 game on the road a few weeks ago.

"The polls say they're the third best team in Class 4, and I believe them," Centralia coach Tyler Forsee said. "There's nobody in Missouri who'd be excited to see them on the bracket."

Harlem Wizards entertain patrons of Tiger Gym

By Henry Janssen
Daily Express

The Harlem Wizards came to Tiger Gym on Tuesday night to raise funds for both Kirksville and Novinger schools while showing off some high-rising flair and ball-handling pizzazz. They played an exhibition against faculty and staff.

A-Train, real name Arnold Bernard, is the face of the organization and emcee for their barnstorming evenings. The Wizards' bus and trailers read "We put the fun in fundraising," with blown-up photos of their players on the side, and A-Train said that's what the entire operation stands for.



HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

"My biggest thing is getting the crowd in there and making people laugh. If they got a couple problems today, hopefully we can make them forget about it for an hour or two.

"Bringing something for communities to have a good time and support one another is what keeps us going. My guys are a lot younger, though," he joked.

Bernard said his group consists of players who all

played collegiate basketball, and some had some looks from NBA organizations. Several had been previously affiliated with the Harlem Globetrotters. He said they are probably on the road close to 200 nights a year.

He averaged 11.7 points per game and 7.2 assists at Missouri State and graduated in 1991, and has been associated with the Wizards since 2005. The Wizards were founded in 1962.

McKendree spoils Truman homecoming, snaps 'Dogs win streak

By Henry Janssen
Daily Express

The Bulldogs just couldn't get a third-down stop in the first half of Saturday's loss, and playing from a touchdown behind in the second half was the difference in the game. The Bearcats beat the Bulldogs, 28-21, in a game in which Truman had two shots from the nine-yard line to tie or win before time expired.

On a beautiful fall homecoming afternoon, Truman allowed the Bearcats to go 8-for-16 on third down and gave up two fourth down conversions to extend drives.

"It was a winnable game for us, so that makes it a tougher pill to swallow for sure," Truman coach Kellen Nesbitt said. "They did a good job converting, and I think that's probably the biggest stat of the game. We had more than enough chances to get the ball back, and just couldn't get our O back on the field."

The 'Dogs fall to 4-4 after winning four straight. Both teams share a season record and 3-2 conference record.

McKendree scored on a prolonged drive to open the game, but Truman answered right back. Denim Cook punched in a 1-yard touchdown to even the score at 7-7. Dylan Hair willed a touchdown rush from seven yards out to give the Bulldogs a 14-7 lead. McKendree scored on its next two drives to give it a 21-14 lead going into the half, and Truman never led again.

Hair threw a pick to a defensive lineman on the opening drive of the second half, and McKendree drove and scored



Sophomore receiver Nathan Ryan fights through traffic for a first down in Saturday's loss to McKendree. HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

from a yard out to give it a 28-14 lead. The final score of the game was another phenomenal touchdown from freshman Kel Battle, this time one-handed in the corner of the endzone.

The Bulldogs managed the clock wisely and got the ball back at midfield with 50 seconds left, but stranded themselves inside the McKendree 10 as time expired when Hair threw back-to-back incompletions.

"They schemed us up pretty well, but the bottom line is we have to execute a little better," senior defensive back and return man Jake Closser said. "McKendree's well coached, and their receiving corps is good from top to bottom."

A week after passing for 400 yards against Indianapolis, McKendree finished with 309 yards of total offense to Truman's 299. Hair passed for 141 yards and threw a pair of interceptions, and Cook rushed for 80 yards on 16 attempts.

Truman hosts Lincoln this Saturday.

La Plata topples Green City for District title, falls to Gallatin in quarterfinal

By Henry Janssen
Daily Express

As they've done each year since 2020, the Bulldogs are advancing out of District play into the State bracket. La Plata defeated Green City on Wednesday night, 12-2, in a Class 1 District 5 title game that ended in five innings. Green City loaded the bases on two occasions – the third and fourth innings – and stranded them both times.

La Plata jumped out to a 4-0 lead and held onto it.

Junior La Plata pitcher Layne Mack said that the game was closer than the score indicated, but she was proud of the defense behind her.

"A few simple mistakes we'll fix but we got the outs we needed when we needed them," Mack said.

The Gophers have the ability to make a comeback as they proved against Brashear on Monday night, but they couldn't find a way to get runners across on Wednesday night. Both of Green City's runs came in the fourth inning, and La Plata posted six runs across in the bottom half.

Green City ends its season 10-15, while La Plata had improved to 22-6 before losing to District 6 champion Gallatin, 5-4, on Saturday afternoon.



Senior Izzy Joyce lays down a slap bunt in Wednesday night's Class 1 District 5 championship victory. La Plata plays Gallatin on Saturday at 1 p.m. for a ticket to Springfield. HENRY JANSSEN/DAILY EXPRESS

Last fall, La Plata defeated Gallatin in the State semifinal, 5-3.

"They knew they had to come out and make those big plays, and I'm proud of my girls for not getting down on themselves," La Plata coach Wendi Travis said about her team's victory over Green City. "We needed to execute in the early innings and not wait for the fifth inning to do it, and we did that tonight."

Truman State University basketball alumni offer \$25K in challenge

By Truman State University

Members of 1978-79 Truman State University men's basketball conference championship and Hall of Fame team are providing \$25,000 as a matching gift challenge to support the men's basketball program.

The matching gift challenge runs through Dec. 31 and is designed to help generate much needed support for operations, recruitment and scholarships for the program. The challenge

applies to all gifts and commitments made to the Men's Basketball Fund, which provides multipurpose support to meet the rising needs of the program.

All one-time gifts to men's basketball made by the end of the challenge will be matched dollar-for-dollar up to \$15,000. For example, a gift of \$500 would earn a match of \$500, and the program gets \$1,000 in total.

If the program has 20 recurring gifts established by Dec. 31, the program will re-

ceive a flat amount of \$10,000 and the gift amount of the first year of the recurring gift schedule will also be matched dollar-for-dollar.

One-time and recurring gifts can be made at giveonline.truman.edu. Checks, made payable to Truman State University Foundation with "Men's Basketball" in the memo line, can be sent to: Truman State University, Advancement Office, 100 E. Normal Ave., Kirksville, MO 63501-

Davis completes career with fifth-place finish in Class 3

By Henry Janssen
Daily Express

Addy Davis, Kirksville Tiger senior bound for University of Central Missouri's golf program, ended her fourth year at the State tournament at Rivercut Golf Course in Springfield with a fifth-place finish. Davis finished the two-day, 36 holes with 154 strokes and finished two strokes ahead of sixth.

Davis shot a 72 on the first day for par to enter Tuesday in second place, and she shot an 82 on Tuesday. The second day of the competition had a gusting wind, and Davis felt she thought she could have adapted better.

"(Tuesday) was rough, I was nine strokes over on the front nine, but I was able to come back on the back nine and end my golf career with a birdie on the final hole," Davis said. "My driver was really good, so I was able to hone that it on Monday and most of the day Tuesday."

Last week was the second time in her four years that she did not go with a team. Kirksville qualified as a team her freshman and sophomore seasons.

"I have to tell myself, it's just another day of golf. It'll all be a memory Sunday, and I just told myself to



Addy Davis represents her fifth-place medal. PHOTO COURTESY OF DANA BOYER

enjoy it as much as I can."

Davis said that her freshman and sophomore years, going as a team helped alleviate some of the pressure of participating in the State competition, but the veteran wasn't bothered by playing alone especially with the well wishes she had been receiving.

"I've had a lot of people reach out, and everyone wishing me good luck helps more than I can say. Knowing that I've had people following me just made me want to keep playing well, and I want to thank them for the support. That's been important to me."

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- restrict sports betting to individuals physically located in the state and over the age of 21;
- allow license fees prescribed by the Commission and a 10% wagering tax on revenues received to be appropriated for education after expenses incurred by the Commission and required funding of the Compulsive Gambling Prevention Fund; and
- allow for the general assembly to enact laws consistent with this amendment?

State governmental entities estimate onetime costs of \$660,000, ongoing annual costs of at least \$5.2 million, and initial license fee revenue of \$11.75 million. Because the proposal allows for deductions against sports gaming revenues, they estimate unknown tax revenue ranging from \$0 to \$28.9 million annually. Local governments estimate unknown revenue.

NOTICE: The proposed amendment revises Article III of the Constitution by adopting one new section to be known as Article III, Section 39(g).

Be it resolved by the people of the state of Missouri that the Constitution be amended as follows:

Section A. Article III of the Constitution is revised by adopting one new Section to be known as Article III, Section 39(g) to read as follows:

Section 39(g) 1. The people of the state of Missouri hereby find and declare that the interests of the public are best served by a well-regulated sports wagering industry that will provide substantial tax revenue to support educational institutions in Missouri.

2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any entity licensed by the Commission pursuant to Article III, Section 39(g) may offer sports wagering:

- through an online sports wagering platform to individuals physically located in this state;
- at excursion gambling boats; and
- at any location within each sports district, as approved by each applicable professional sports team that plays its home games in such sports district.

3. A licensee shall not offer sports wagering to individuals who are under twenty-one years of age.

4. a. The Commission shall issue not more than one retail license to operate sports wagering in this state to each qualified applicant that is:

- an excursion gambling boat or a sports wagering operator operating on behalf of each such excursion gambling boat that has applied for a retail license to offer sports wagering at such excursion gambling boat; or
- a professional sports team or a sports wagering operator designated by each such professional sports team that has applied for a retail license to offer sports wagering within the applicable sports district in which such professional sports team plays its home games.

b. The Commission shall issue not more than one mobile license to operate sports wagering in this state to each qualified applicant that is:

- an owner of an excursion gambling boat located in this state or a sports wagering operator operating on behalf of each such owner, provided, however, that not more than one sports wagering operator shall be permitted to operate under such mobile license on behalf of any entity, or group of commonly owned or controlled entities, which owns, directly or indirectly, more than one excursion gambling boat located in this state; or
- a professional sports team or a sports wagering operator designated by each such professional sports team.

c. The Commission shall issue not more than two mobile licenses to operate sports wagering in this state directly to qualified applicants that are sports wagering operators. Each sports wagering operator shall only be eligible for one mobile license per distinct sports wagering operator brand. For purposes of Article III, Section 39(g) brand shall refer to the name, trade name, licensed trademark, or assumed business name of the sports wagering operator. If there are more than two qualified applicants for a mobile license to be issued by the Commission directly to a sports wagering operator under this section, the Commission shall select the applicant for licensure based on the applicant's ability to satisfy the following criteria:

- Expertise in the business of online sports wagering;
- Integrity, sustainability, and safety of the applicant's online sports wagering platform;
- Past relevant experience of the applicant;
- Advertising and promotional plans to increase and sustain revenue;
- Ability to generate, maximize, and sustain revenues for the state;
- Demonstrated commitment to and plans for the promotion of responsible gaming; and
- Capacity to increase the number of bettors on the applicant's online sports wagering platform.

5. An applicant for a license to conduct sports wagering shall apply to the Commission on a form and in the manner prescribed by the Commission. The Commission shall conduct background checks of each applicant or key persons of such applicant and shall not award a license to any applicant if such applicant or key person of such applicant has been convicted of a felony or any gambling offense in any state or federal court of the United States. If a professional sports team designates a sports wagering operator to operate on its behalf, then that sports wagering operator, rather than the professional sports team, shall submit to the Commission for licensure and shall be considered the licensee for all aspects of Commission oversight and regulatory control. In the application, the Commission shall require applicants to disclose the identity of all of the following:

- The applicant's principal owners who directly own 10% or more of the applicant;
- Each holding, intermediary, or parent company that directly owns 15% or more of the applicant; and
- The applicant's board appointed chief executive officer and chief financial officer, or the equivalent individuals, as determined by the Commission.

6. Retail and mobile license applicants shall be required to pay a license fee as follows:

- An applicant for a retail license shall be required to pay a license fee prescribed by the Commission, not to exceed \$250,000. Retail licensees shall be required to pay a license renewal fee every five years, as prescribed by the Commission, not to exceed \$250,000.
- An applicant for a mobile license shall be required to pay a license fee prescribed by the Commission, not to exceed \$500,000. Mobile licensees shall be required to pay a license renewal fee every five years, as prescribed by the Commission, not to exceed \$500,000.

7. a. A license for sports wagering shall not be assignable or transferable without approval of the Commission. Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

b. A license shall authorize a licensee to offer sports wagering under not more than one sports wagering operator brand, provided,

however, that such licensee shall also be permitted, but not required, to use the brand of a professional team or excursion gambling boat pursuant to a partnership with such entity. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary and subject to approval by the Commission, a person or entity may hold and operate more than one license under distinct sports wagering operator brands, regardless of whether multiple brands are owned by the same parent entity.

c. Commercial agreements between an excursion gambling boat or a professional sports team and a sports wagering operator shall be submitted to the Commission as agreed to by the contracting parties. The Commission shall not prescribe any terms or conditions that are required to be included into such commercial agreements. A sports governing body or professional sports team may enter into commercial agreements with sports wagering operators or other entities in which such sports governing body or professional sports team may share in the amount wagered on sporting events of such sports governing body or professional sports team. A professional sports team may grant any such rights provided under this paragraph to its affiliate. Neither a sports governing body nor a professional sports team, nor such team's affiliate, is required to obtain a license or any other approval from the Commission to lawfully accept such amounts.

d. Each mobile licensee shall determine, set, and display applicable lines, point spreads, odds, or other information pertaining to online sports wagering.

e. Any submission to the Commission under this section, including all documents, reports, and data submitted therewith, that contain proprietary information, trade secrets, financial information, or personal information about any person or entity shall be treated in the same confidential manner as submissions by other licensees of the Commission and shall not be subject to disclosure pursuant to Chapter 610 RSMo.

8. All sports wagering fees prescribed by the Commission and collected by the state shall be appropriated as follows:

- to reimburse the reasonable expenses incurred by the Commission to regulate sports wagering; and
- to the extent all reasonable expenses incurred by the Commission have been reimbursed, the remaining fees shall be deposited in the Compulsive Gaming Prevention Fund.

9. Subject to and consistent with the terms of this section, the Commission shall have the power to adopt and enforce commercially reasonable rules, including emergency rules, to implement the provisions of this section. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated under the authority of this section shall become effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 536. The Commission shall examine the rules implemented in other states where sports wagering is conducted and shall, as far as practicable, adopt a similar regulatory framework, including, but not limited to:

- Standards governing the security and integrity of sports wagering, including requiring the use of official league data on the terms and conditions set forth below from each applicable sports governing body headquartered in the United States solely for the purposes of determining the outcome of tier two sports wagers on a professional athlete or sporting event, but only if made available to licensees on commercially reasonable terms. Sports wagering operators may use any data source for determining the results of any and all tier one sports wagers on any and all sporting events, and the results of any and all tier two sports wagers on sporting events of an organization that is not headquartered in the United States.

(1) A sports governing body may notify the Commission that it desires sports wagering operators to use official league data to settle tier two sports wagers on sporting events of such sports governing body. Such notification shall be made in the form and manner the Commission may require. The Commission shall notify each sports wagering operator of a sports governing body's notification within five days of the Commission's receipt of such notification. If a sports governing body does not notify the Commission of its desire to supply official league data, a sports wagering operator may use any data source for determining the results of any and all tier two sports wagers on sporting events of such sports governing body.

(2) Within 60 days of the Commission notifying each sports wagering operator of a sports governing body's notification to the Commission, or such longer period as may be agreed between the sports governing body and the applicable sports wagering operator, sports wagering operators shall use only official league data to determine the results of tier two sports wagers on sporting events of that sports governing body, unless:

- The sports governing body or its designee cannot provide a feed of official league data to determine the results of a particular type of tier two sports wager, in which case sports wagering operators may use any data source for determining the results of the applicable tier two sports wager until such time as such a data feed becomes available from the sports governing body on commercially reasonable terms and conditions;
- A sports wagering operator can demonstrate to the Commission that the sports governing body or its designee will not provide a feed of official league data to the sports wagering operator on commercially reasonable terms and conditions; or
- The sports governing body or its designee does not obtain the necessary supplier approvals to provide official league data to sports wagering operators to determine the results of tier two sports wagers, if and to the extent required by law.

(3) The following is a non-exclusive list of factors that the Commission may consider in evaluating official league data is being offered on commercially reasonable terms and conditions for the purposes of paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (2):

- The availability of a sports governing body's tier two official league data to a sports wagering operator from more than one authorized source;
- Market information, including, but not limited to, price and other terms and conditions, regarding the purchase by sports wagering operators of comparable data for the purpose of settling sports wagers in this state and other jurisdictions;
- The nature and quantity of data, including the quality and complexity of the process utilized for collecting such data; and
- The extent to which sports governing bodies or their designees have made data used to settle tier two bets or wagers available to operators and any terms and conditions relating to the use of that data.

(4) Notwithstanding anything set forth to the contrary herein, including without limitation subparagraph (3), during the pendency of the Commission's determination as to whether a sports governing body or its designee will provide a feed of official league data on commercially reasonable terms, a sports wagering operator may use any data source for determining the results of any and all tier two sports wagers. The Commission's determination shall be made within 120 days of the sports wagering operator notifying the Commission that it desires to demonstrate that the sports governing body or its designee will not provide a feed of official league data to the sports wagering operator on commercially reasonable terms.

b. Standards concerning a licensee's books and financial records relating to sports wagering, including auditing requirements, standards for the daily counting of a licensee's gross receipts from sports wagering, and standards to ensure that internal controls are followed;

c. Standards for the use and distribution of monies from the Compulsive Gaming Prevention Fund shall include, but not be limited to, research, detection, and prevention of compulsive gaming, the implementation of treatment and recovery programs, or services related to compulsive gaming in this state;

d. Standards concerning the detection and prevention of compulsive gaming including, but not limited to, requirements to prominently display information regarding compulsive gaming on all online sports wagering platforms and promotions;

e. Requiring licensees to cooperate with investigations

conducted by law enforcement agencies, regulatory bodies, and sports governing bodies;

f. Standards for licensees and sports wagering operators to report to the Commission and the sports governing bodies information related to: abnormal betting activity or patterns that may indicate a concern with the integrity of a sporting event or events; suspicious or illegal betting activities if known to the applicable licensee or sports wagering operator; and any other conduct that corrupts a betting outcome of a sporting event or events for purposes of financial gain, including match fixing;

g. Standards for any sports governing body to submit to the Commission a written request to restrict, limit, or exclude a certain type, form, or category of sports betting with respect to a sporting event of that sports governing body, if the applicable sports governing body believes that such type, form, or category of sports wagering with respect to the sporting event of the sports governing body may undermine the integrity or perceived integrity of the applicable sports governing body or sporting events of the applicable sports governing body.

These standards shall also require the Commission to request comment from sports wagering operators on all requests made pursuant to this paragraph and after giving due consideration to all comments received, the Commission shall, upon a demonstration of good cause from the applicable sports governing body that such type, form, or category of sports betting is likely to undermine the integrity or perceived integrity of such body or sporting events of the applicable sports governing body, grant the request.

These standards shall require the Commission to respond to a request concerning a sporting event before the start of the event, or, if it is not feasible to respond before the start of the event, no later than 7 days after the request is made, and if the Commission determines that the applicable sports governing body is more likely than not to prevail in successfully demonstrating good cause for its request, the Commission may provisionally grant the request of the applicable sports governing body pending the Commission's final determination thereon. Unless the Commission provisionally grants the request, sports wagering operators may continue to offer sports betting and accept bets on the covered sporting event pending a final determination by the Commission.

h. Requiring licensees and sports wagering operators to use commercially and technologically reasonable means to ensure that marketing and advertisements do not purposefully target minors or individuals who have self-excluded from sports wagering, are not false, misleading or deceptive, and clearly disclose the material terms of any offer included in any promotion or advertisement;

i. Standards for the regulation of suppliers of sports wagering goods, services, software, or any other components necessary for the creation of sports wagering markets and determination of wager outcomes;

j. Standards for the implementation of responsible gaming programs, including using commercially reasonable efforts to verify that a person placing a bet on a sporting event is of the legal minimum age for placing such bet, displaying a hyperlink on its online sports wagering platform to responsible gaming information, allowing individuals to voluntarily exclude themselves from placing bets with the operator through a process established by the Commission, and allowing persons to place limits on their time, deposit, or bet limits in a daily, weekly, or monthly manner;

k. Establishing fines, placing licensees on probation, and revoking licenses for violations of this section. The Commission may impose fines upon any person holding, or required to hold, a license or approval under this section or the rules subsequently adopted. Fines shall not exceed \$50,000 per violation or \$100,000 resulting from violation of the same occurrence of events. The Commission shall promulgate rules relating to procedures for disciplinary hearings, including that any such decision may be appealed to circuit court.

l. Establishing a start date for all sports wagering that is not later than December 1, 2025. No sports wagering, either retail or mobile, shall be offered in the state before such start date established by the Commission. No category of license shall be given an earlier launch date over any other category of license; and

m. Prohibiting all sports wagering activity, including sports wagering promotional and advertising activity, within a sports district, unless approved by the professional sports team that plays its home games within the district, except such rules shall not prohibit any licensee from offering sports wagering through an online sports wagering platform to persons physically located within a sports district.

10. a. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, including Article III Section 39(d), to the contrary, a wagering tax of 10% is imposed on the adjusted gross revenue received from sports wagering conducted by each licensee and each sports wagering operator acting on behalf of a licensee.

b. The annual revenues received from such tax shall be appropriated for institutions of elementary, secondary, and higher education in this state; provided, however, that an appropriation to such educational institutions shall be made only after such annual wagering tax revenues are appropriated as follows:

- to reimburse the reasonable expenses incurred by the Commission to regulate sports wagering in the state to the extent that the Commission has not been fully reimbursed for such expenses from the sports wagering fees collected by the state; and
- the greater of 10% of such annual tax revenues or \$5,000,000 to the Compulsive Gaming Fund.

c. Such revenues shall not be included within the definition of "total state revenues" in Section 17 of Article X of this Constitution.

d. The state auditor shall perform an annual audit of the revenues received and appropriated pursuant to this section to ensure they are being used only for authorized purposes. The state auditor shall make such audit available to the public, the governor, and the general assembly.

11. A mobile licensee shall maintain in this state, or any other location approved by the Commission and consistent with federal law, the computer server or servers used to receive transmissions of requests to place wagers and that transmit confirmation of acceptance of wagers on sports events placed by customers physically present in this state.

12. All wagers authorized under this section must be initiated, made, or otherwise placed by a bettor while physically present within this state. The intermediate routing of electronic data related to lawful intrastate wagers authorized under this section shall not determine the location or locations in which the bet is initiated, transmitted, received, or otherwise made. Each online sports wagering operator shall use commercially reasonable geolocation and geofencing technology to ensure that it accepts bets only from customers who, at the time of placing the bet, are physically present in this state.

13. a. An individual wagering in this state shall establish an online sports wagering account with an online sports wagering operator:

- over the Internet;
- through an online sports wagering platform; or
- through other means approved by the Commission.

b. An individual wagering in this State shall not register more than one account with each online sports wagering platform. Mobile licensees shall use commercially reasonable means to ensure that each customer is limited to one account per platform.

c. Permissible methods of funding and withdrawal for accounts include, but are not limited to, credit cards, debit cards, gift cards, reloadable prepaid cards, free and promotional credit, automated clearing house transfers, online and mobile payment systems that support online money transfers, and wire transfers. The Commission may approve additional funding and withdrawal methods including, but not limited to, cash deposits at approved locations and secure cryptocurrencies.

14. A sports wagering operator shall use commercially and technologically reasonable means to ensure marketing and

fees to support salaries and benefits for sheriffs, former sheriffs, prosecuting attorneys, former prosecuting attorneys, circuit attorneys, and former circuit attorneys.

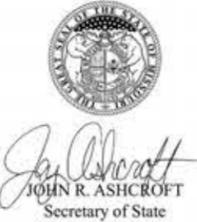
Section B. Pursuant to chapter 116, and other applicable constitutional provisions and laws of this state allowing the general assembly to adopt ballot language for the submission of this joint resolution to the voters of this state, the official summary statement of this resolution shall be as follows:

"Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to preserve funding of law enforcement personnel for the administration of justice?"

STATE OF MISSOURI }
Secretary of State

I, John R. Ashcroft, Secretary of State of the state of Missouri, hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and complete copy of Constitutional Amendment No. 6, to be submitted to the qualified voters of the State of Missouri at the General Election to be held the fifth day of November, 2024.

In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, done at the City of Jefferson, this 27th day of August, 2024.



CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 7
[Proposed by the 102nd General Assembly (Second Regular Session) SS SJR 78]

OFFICIAL BALLOT TITLE:

Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to:

- Make the Constitution consistent with state law by only allowing citizens of the United States to vote;
- Prohibit the ranking of candidates by limiting voters to a single vote per candidate or issue; and
- Require the plurality winner of a political party primary to be the single candidate at a general election?

State and local governmental entities estimate no costs or savings.

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri, an amendment repealing section 2 and 3 of article VIII of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting three new sections in lieu thereof relating to elections.

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2024, or at a special election to be called by the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for adoption or rejection, the following amendment to article VIII of the Constitution of the state of Missouri:

Section A. Sections 2 and 3, article VIII, Constitution of Missouri, are repealed and three new sections adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 2, 3, and 24, to read as follows:

Section 2. [All] Only citizens of the United States, including occupants of soldiers' and sailors' homes, over the age of eighteen who are residents of this state and of the political subdivision in which they offer to vote are entitled to vote at all elections by the people, if the election is one for which registration is required if they are registered within the time prescribed by law, or if the election is one for which registration is not required, if they have been residents of the political subdivision in which they offer to vote for thirty days next preceding the election for which they offer to vote: Provided however, no person who has a guardian of his or her estate or person by reason of mental incapacity, appointed by a court of competent jurisdiction and no person who is involuntarily confined in a mental institution pursuant to an adjudication of a court of competent jurisdiction shall be entitled to vote, and persons convicted of felony, or crime connected with the exercise of the right of suffrage may be excluded by law from voting.

Section 3. 1. All elections by the people shall be by paper ballot or by any mechanical method prescribed by law.

2. Voters shall have only a single vote for each issue on which such voter is eligible to vote. Voters shall have the same number of votes for an office as the number of open seats to be elected to such office at that election. Under no circumstance shall a voter be permitted to cast a ballot in a manner that results in the ranking of candidates for a particular office. Notwithstanding any provision of this subsection to the contrary, this subsection shall not apply to any nonpartisan municipal election held in a city that had an ordinance in effect as of November 5, 2024, that permits voters to cast more than a single vote for each issue or candidate on which such voter is eligible to vote.

3. All election officers shall be sworn or affirmed not to disclose how any voter voted; provided, that in cases of contested elections, grand jury investigations and in the trial of all civil or criminal cases in which the violation of any law relating to elections, including nominating elections, is under investigation or at issue, such officers may be required to testify and the ballots cast may be opened, examined, counted, and received as evidence.

Section 24. 1. The person receiving the greatest number of votes at a primary election as a party candidate for an office shall be the only candidate for that party for the office at the general election. The name of such candidate shall be placed on the official ballot at the general election unless removed or replaced as provided by law.

2. The person receiving the greatest number of votes at the general election shall be declared the winner.

3. Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, this section shall not apply to any nonpartisan municipal election held in a city that had an ordinance in effect as of November 5, 2024, that requires a preliminary election at which more than one candidate advances to a subsequent election.

Section B. Pursuant to chapter 116, and other applicable constitutional provisions and laws of this state allowing the general assembly to adopt ballot language for the submission of this joint resolution to the voters of this state, the official summary statement of this resolution shall be as follows:

"Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to:

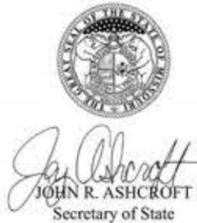
- Make the Constitution consistent with state law by only allowing citizens of the United States to vote;
- Prohibit the ranking of candidates by limiting voters to a single vote per candidate or issue; and
- Require the plurality winner of a political party primary to be the single candidate at a general election?"

EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

STATE OF MISSOURI }
Secretary of State

I, John R. Ashcroft, Secretary of State of the state of Missouri, hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and complete copy of Constitutional Amendment No. 7, to be submitted to the qualified voters of the State of Missouri at the General Election to be held the fifth day of November, 2024.

In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, done at the City of Jefferson, this 27th day of August, 2024.



PROPOSITION A
[Proposed by Initiative Petition]

OFFICIAL BALLOT TITLE:

Do you want to amend Missouri law to:

- increase minimum wage January 1, 2025 to \$13.75 per hour, increasing \$1.25 per hour each year until 2026, when the minimum wage would be \$15.00 per hour;
- adjust minimum wage based on changes in the Consumer Price Index each January beginning in 2027;
- require all employers to provide one hour of paid sick leave for every thirty hours worked;
- allow the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to provide oversight and enforcement; and
- exempt governmental entities, political subdivisions school districts and education institutions?

State governmental entities estimate one-time costs ranging from \$0 to \$53,000, and ongoing costs ranging from \$0 to at least \$256,000 per year by 2027. State and local government tax revenue could change by an unknown annual amount depending on business decisions.

Be it enacted by the people of the state of Missouri:

Chapter 290, RSMo, is amended by amending section 290.502 and enacting fifteen new sections to be known as sections 290.600, 290.603, 290.606, 290.609, 290.612, 290.615, 290.618, 290.621, 290.624, 290.627, 290.630, 290.633, 290.636, 290.639, and 290.642, to read as follows:

290.502. 1. Except as may be otherwise provided pursuant to sections 290.500 to 290.530, effective January 1, 2007, every employer shall pay to each employee wages at the rate of \$6.50 per hour, or wages at the same rate or rates set under the provisions of federal law as the prevailing federal minimum wage applicable to those covered jobs in interstate commerce, whichever rate per hour is higher.

2. The minimum wage shall be increased or decreased on January 1, 2008, and on January 1 of successive years, by the increase or decrease in the cost of living. On September 30, 2007, and on each September 30 of each successive year, the director shall measure the increase or decrease in the cost of living by the percentage increase or decrease as of the preceding July over the level as of July of the immediately preceding year of the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) or successor index as published by the U.S. Department of Labor or its successor agency, with the amount of the minimum wage increase or decrease rounded to the nearest five cents.

3. Except as may be otherwise provided pursuant to sections 290.500 to 290.530, and notwithstanding subsection 1 of this section, effective January 1, [2019] 2025, every employer shall pay to each employee wages at the rate of not less than \$[8.60] \$13.75 per hour, or wages at the same rate or rates set under the provisions of federal law as the prevailing federal minimum wage applicable to those covered jobs in interstate commerce, whichever rate per hour is higher. Thereafter, the minimum wage established by this subsection shall be increased [each year] by \$[.85] \$1.25 per hour, [effective January 1 of each of the next four years, until it reaches \$12.00 per hour] to \$15.00 per hour, effective January 1, [2023] 2026. Thereafter, the minimum wage established by this subsection shall be increased or decreased on January 1, [2024] 2027, and on January 1 of successive years, per the method set forth in subsection 2 of this section. If at any time the federal minimum wage rate is above or is thereafter increased above the minimum wage then in effect under this subsection, the minimum wage required by this subsection shall continue to be increased pursuant to this subsection 3, but the higher federal rate shall immediately become the minimum wage required by this subsection and shall be increased or decreased per the method set forth in subsection 2 for so long as it remains higher than the state minimum wage required and increased pursuant to this subsection.

4. For purposes of this section, the term "public employer" means an employer that is the state or a political subdivision of the state, including a department, agency, officer, bureau, division, board, commission, or instrumentality of the state, or a city, county, town, village, school district, or other political subdivision of the state. Subsection 3 of this section shall not apply to a public employer with respect to its employees. Any public employer that is subject to subsections 1 and 2 of this section shall continue to be subject to those subsections.

290.600. As used in sections 290.600 through 290.642:

(1) "Department", Department of Labor and Industrial Relations.

(2) "Director", Director of the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations.

(3) "Domestic violence", as such term is defined in section 455.010.

(4) "Earned paid sick time", time that is compensated at the same hourly rate and with the same benefits, including health care benefits, as the employee normally earns during hours worked and is provided by an employer to an employee for the purposes described in section 290.606, but in no case shall this hourly amount be less than that provided under section 290.502.

(5) "Employee", any individual employed in this state by an employer, but does not include:

(A) Any individual engaged in the activities of an educational, charitable, religious, or nonprofit organization where the employer-employee relationship does not, in fact, exist or where the services rendered to the organization are on a voluntary basis;

(B) Any individual standing in loco parentis to foster children in their care;

(C) Any individual employed for less than four months in any year in a resident or day camp for children or youth, or any individual employed by an educational conference center operated by an educational, charitable or not-for-profit organization;

(D) Any individual engaged in the activities of an educational organization where employment by the organization is in lieu of the requirement that the individual pay the cost of tuition, housing or other educational fees of the organization or where earnings of the individual employed by the organization are credited toward the payment of the cost of tuition, housing or other educational fees of the organization;

(E) Any individual employed on or about a private residence on an occasional basis for six hours or less on each occasion;

(F) Any individual employed on a casual basis to provide baby-sitting services;

(G) Any individual employed by an employer subject to the

provisions of part A of subtitle IV of title 49, United States Code, 49 U.S.C. §§ 10101 et seq.;

(H) Any individual employed on a casual or intermittent basis as a golf caddy, newsboy, or in a similar occupation;

(I) Any individual who is employed in any government position defined in 29 U.S.C. §§ 203(c)(2)(C)(i)-(ii);

(J) Any individual employed by a retail or service business whose annual gross volume sales made or business done is less than five hundred thousand dollars;

(K) Any individual who is an offender, as defined in section 217.010, who is incarcerated in any correctional facility operated by the department of corrections, including offenders who provide labor or services on the grounds of such correctional facility pursuant to section 217.550; or

(L) Any individual described by the provisions of section 29 U.S.C. 213(a)(8).

(6) "Employer", any person acting directly or indirectly in the interest of an employer in relation to an employee; provided, however, that for the purposes of sections 290.600 through 290.642 "employer" does not include the United States Government, the state, or a political subdivision of the state, including a department, agency, officer, bureau, division, board, commission, or instrumentality of the state, or a city, county, town, village, school district, public higher education institution, or other political subdivision of the state.

(7) "Family member", any of the following individuals:

(A) Regardless of age, a biological, adopted or foster child, stepchild or legal ward, a child of a domestic partner, a child to whom the employee stands in loco parentis, or an individual to whom the employee stood in loco parentis when the individual was a minor;

(B) A biological, foster, stepparent or adoptive parent or legal guardian of an employee or an employee's spouse or domestic partner or an individual who stood in loco parentis when the employee or employee's spouse or domestic partner was a minor child;

(C) An individual to whom the employee is legally married under the laws of any state, or a domestic partner who is registered as such under the laws of any state or political subdivision, or an individual with whom the employee is in a continuing social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature;

(D) A grandparent, grandchild, or sibling (whether of a biological, foster, adoptive or step relationship) of the employee or the employee's spouse or domestic partner; or

(E) A person for whom the employee is responsible for providing or arranging health or safety-related care, including but not limited to helping that individual obtain diagnostic, preventative, routine, or therapeutic health treatment or ensuring the person is safe following domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

(8) "Health care professional," any individual licensed under federal or any state law to provide medical or emergency services, including but not limited to doctors, nurses, certified nurse midwives, mental health professionals, and emergency room personnel.

(9) "Person", any individual, partnership, association, corporation, business, business trust, legal representative, or any organized group of persons.

(10) "Retaliatory personnel action", denial of any right guaranteed under sections 290.600 through 290.642, or any threat, discharge, suspension, demotion, reduction of hours, or any other adverse action against an employee for the exercise of any right guaranteed herein. "Retaliatory personnel action" shall also include interference with or punishment for in any manner participating in or assisting an investigation, proceeding, or hearing under sections 290.600 through 290.642.

(11) "Same hourly rate", means the following:

(A) For employees paid on the basis of a single hourly rate, the same hourly rate shall be the employee's regular hourly rate.

(B) For employees who are paid multiple hourly rates of pay from the same employer, the same hourly rate shall be either:

(i) the wages the employee would have been paid for the hours absent during use of earned paid sick time if the employee had worked; or

(ii) the weighted average of all hourly rates of pay during the previous pay period.

Whatever method the employer uses, the employer must use a consistent method for each employee throughout a year.

(C) For employees who are paid a salary, the same hourly rate shall be determined by dividing the wages the employee earns in the previous pay period by the total number of hours worked during the previous pay period. For determining total number of hours worked during the previous pay period, employees who are exempt from overtime requirements under 29 U.S.C. § 213(a)(1), the Fair Labor Standards Act, shall be assumed to work 40 hours in each work week unless their normal work week is less than 40 hours, in which case earned paid sick time shall accrue and the same hourly rate shall be calculated based on the employee's normal work week. Regardless of the basis used, the same hourly rate shall not be less than the effective minimum wage specified in section 290.502.

(D) For employees paid on a piece rate or a fee-for-service basis, the same hourly rate shall be a reasonable calculation of the wages or fees the employee would have received for the piece work, service, or part thereof, if the employee had worked. Regardless of the basis used, the same hourly rate shall not be less than the effective minimum wage specified in section 290.502.

(E) For employees who are paid on a commission basis (whether base wage plus commission or commission only), the same hourly rate shall be the greater of the base wage or the effective minimum wage specified in section 290.502.

(F) For employees who receive and retain compensation in the form of gratuities in addition to wages, the same hourly rate shall be the greater of the employee's regular hourly rate or 100% of the effective minimum wage specified in section 290.502 without deduction of any tips as a credit.

(12) "Sexual assault", as such term is defined in section 455.010.

(13) "Stalking", as such term is defined in section 455.010.

(14) "Year", a regular and consecutive twelve-month period as determined by the employer; except that for the purposes of section 290.615 and section 290.627, "year" shall mean a calendar year.

290.603. 1. Employees of an employer with fifteen or more employees shall accrue a minimum of one hour of earned paid sick time for every thirty hours worked, but such employees shall not be entitled to use more than fifty-six hours of earned paid sick time per year, unless the employer selects a higher limit.

2. Employees of an employer with fewer than fifteen employees shall accrue a minimum of one hour of earned paid sick time for every thirty hours worked, but such employees shall not be entitled to use more than forty hours of earned paid sick time per year, unless the employer selects a higher limit.

3. In determining the number of employees of an employer, all employees performing work in the state for an employer for compensation on a full-time, part-time, or temporary basis shall be counted. In situations in which the number of employees performing work in the state for an employer for compensation per week fluctuates above and below 15 employees per week over the course of a year, an employer is required to provide earned paid sick time pursuant to subsection (1) of this section if it maintained fifteen or more employees in the state on the payroll for some portion of a working day in each of twenty or more different calendar weeks, including any periods of leave, and whether or not the weeks were consecutive, in either the current or the preceding year (irrespective of whether the same individuals were in employment in each working day).

4. All employees shall accrue earned paid sick time as follows:

(A) Earned paid sick time as provided in this section shall begin to accrue at the commencement of employment or May 1, 2025, whichever is later. An employee shall be entitled to use earned paid sick time as it is accrued. An employer may provide all earned paid sick time that an employee is expected to accrue in a year at the beginning of the year.

(B) Employees who are exempt from overtime requirements under 29 U.S.C. § 213(a)(1) of the Federal Fair Labor Standards

advertisements do not purposefully target individuals who have self excluded from placing bets on sporting events.

b. A sports wagering operator shall employ commercially reasonable methods to ensure that advertisements for sports betting:

- (1) do not purposefully target minors;
(2) are not false, misleading, or deceptive to a reasonable consumer; and

(3) clearly and conspicuously disclose the material terms of any promotional offer in the advertisement. Any promotion or advertisement must provide the consumer with the full and complete terms of a promotion by providing a website, or other location, in the promotional advertisement, that directs the viewer to where the full and complete promotional terms can be viewed.

15. There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Compulsive Gaming Prevention Fund", which shall consist of taxes and fees collected under this section. The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund, and he or she shall invest monies in the fund in the same manner as other funds are invested.

a. providing counseling and other support services for compulsive and problem gamblers;

b. developing and implementing problem gaming treatment and prevention programs; and

c. providing grants to supporting organizations that provide assistance to compulsive gamers.

16. As used in this section the following terms shall mean:

a. "Adjusted gross revenue," the total of all cash and cash equivalents received by a licensee from sports wagering minus the total of:

(1) All cash and cash equivalents paid out as winnings to sports wagering customers

(2) The actual costs paid by a licensee for anything of value provided to and redeemed by customers, including merchandise or services distributed to sports wagering customers to incentivize sports wagering;

(3) Voided or cancelled wagers;

(4) The costs of free play or promotional credits provided to and redeemed by the applicable licensee's customers, provided that the aggregate amount of such costs of free play or promotional credits that may be deducted under this paragraph in any calendar month shall not exceed twenty-five percent of the total of all cash and cash equivalents received by the applicable licensee for such calendar month;

(5) Any sums paid as a result of any federal tax, including federal excise tax; and

(6) Uncollectible sports wagering receivables, not to exceed two percent of the total of all sums, less the amount paid out as winnings to sports wagering customers

(7) If the amount of adjusted gross receipts in a calendar month is a negative figure, the licensee shall remit no sports wagering tax for that calendar month. Any negative adjusted gross receipts shall be carried over and calculated as a deduction in the subsequent calendar months until the negative figure has been brought to a zero balance.

b. "Commission," means the Missouri Gaming Commission;

c. "Excursion gambling boat," means an excursion gambling boat or floating facility as described in Article III, Section 39(e);

d. "License," means any retail license or mobile license;

e. "Licensee," means the holder of any retail or mobile license;

f. "Mobile license," means a license, granted by the Commission, authorizing the licensee to offer sports wagering, through an online sports wagering platform, to individuals physically located in this state;

g. "Online sports wagering platform," means an online-enabled application, Internet website, or other electronic or digital technology used to offer, conduct, or operate mobile sports wagering;

h. "Professional sports team," means a team located in this state that is a member of the National Football League, Major League Baseball, the National Hockey League, the National Basketball Association, Major League Soccer, the Women's National Basketball Association, or the National Women's Soccer League;

i. "Retail license," means a license, granted by the Commission, authorizing the licensee to offer sports wagering in person to individuals at such locations described in paragraphs (b) and (c) of Article III, Section 39(g)(2), as applicable;

j. "Sports district," means the premises of a facility located in this state with a capacity of 11,500 people or more, at which one or more professional sports teams plays its home games, and the surrounding area within 400 yards of such premises;

k. "Sports wagering," means wagering on professional or collegiate athletic, sporting, and other competitive events and awards involving human participants including, but not limited to, esports, or any other events as approved by the Commission. The term sports wagering shall include, but not be limited to, bets or wagers made on: portions of athletic and sporting events or on the individual statistics of professional or collegiate athletes in a sporting event or compilation of sporting events.

Sports wagering shall not include:

(1) a fantasy sports contest comprising multiple participants competing against one another in which winning outcomes reflect the relative knowledge and skill of the participants and are predominantly determined by the accumulated statistical performance of athletes or individuals. A fantasy sports contest operator shall not qualify as a "participant" for purposes of this section; and

(2) wagering on the performance or nonperformance of any individual athlete participating in a single game or match of a collegiate sporting event in which a collegiate team from this state is a participant; and

(3) wagering on youth or high school events.

l. "Sports wagering operator," means an entity that offers sports wagering or has been organized for the purpose of offering sports wagering;

m. "Tier one sports wager," means a sports wager that is determined solely by the final score or final outcome of the sporting event and is placed before the sporting event has begun;

n. "Tier two sports wager," means a sports wager that is not a tier one sports wager;

17. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, including Article III, Section 39(9), to the contrary, the general assembly may enact laws consistent with this section.

18. All provisions of this section are severable. If any provision of this section is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or unconstitutionally enacted, the remaining provisions of this section shall be and remain valid.

STATE OF MISSOURI } ss
Secretary of State

I, John R. Ashcroft, Secretary of State of the state of Missouri, hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and complete copy of Constitutional Amendment No. 2, to be submitted to the qualified voters of the State of Missouri at the General Election to be held the fifth day of November, 2024.

In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, done at the City of Jefferson, this 27th day of August, 2024.



John R. Ashcroft
JOHN R. ASHCROFT
Secretary of State

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 3
[Proposed by Initiative Petition]

OFFICIAL BALLOT TITLE:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish a right to make decisions about reproductive health care, including abortion and contraceptives, with any governmental interference of that right presumed invalid;
remove Missouri's ban on abortion;
allow regulation of reproductive health care to improve or maintain the health of the patient;
require the government not to discriminate, in government programs, funding, and other activities, against persons providing or obtaining reproductive health care; and
allow abortion to be restricted or banned after Fetal Viability except to protect the life or health of the woman?

State governmental entities estimate no costs or savings, but unknown impact. Local governmental entities estimate costs of at least \$51,000 annually in reduced tax revenues. Opponents estimate a potentially significant loss to state revenue.

NOTICE: The proposed amendment revises Article I of the Constitution by adopting one new Section to be known as Article I, Section 36.

Be it resolved by the people of the state of Missouri that the Constitution be amended:

Section A. Article I of the Constitution is revised by adopting one new Section to be known as Article I, Section 36 to read as follows:

Section 36. 1. This Section shall be known as "The Right to Reproductive Freedom Initiative."

2. The Government shall not deny or infringe upon a person's fundamental right to reproductive freedom, which is the right to make and carry out decisions about all matters relating to reproductive health care, including but not limited to prenatal care, childbirth, postpartum care, birth control, abortion care, miscarriage care, and respectful birthing conditions.

3. The right to reproductive freedom shall not be denied, interfered with, delayed, or otherwise restricted unless the Government demonstrates that such action is justified by a compelling governmental interest achieved by the least restrictive means. Any denial, interference, delay, or restriction of the right to reproductive freedom shall be presumed invalid. For purposes of this Section, a governmental interest is compelling only if it is for the limited purpose and has the limited effect of improving or maintaining the health of a person seeking care, is consistent with widely accepted clinical standards of practice and evidence-based medicine, and does not infringe on that person's autonomous decision-making.

4. Notwithstanding subsection 3 of this Section, the general assembly may enact laws that regulate the provision of abortion after Fetal Viability provided that under no circumstance shall the Government deny, interfere with, delay, or otherwise restrict an abortion that in the good faith judgment of a treating health care professional is needed to protect the life or physical or mental health of the pregnant person.

5. No person shall be penalized, prosecuted, or otherwise subjected to adverse action based on their actual, potential, perceived, or alleged pregnancy outcomes, including but not limited to miscarriage, stillbirth, or abortion. Nor shall any person assisting a person in exercising their right to reproductive freedom with that person's consent be penalized, prosecuted, or otherwise subjected to adverse action for doing so.

6. The Government shall not discriminate against persons providing or obtaining reproductive health care or assisting another person in doing so.

7. If any provision of this Section or the application thereof to anyone or to any circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of those provisions and the application of such provisions to others or other circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

8. For purposes of this Section, the following terms mean:

(1) "Fetal Viability," the point in pregnancy when, in the good faith judgment of a treating health care professional and based on the particular facts of the case, there is a significant likelihood of the fetus's sustained survival outside the uterus without the application of extraordinary medical measures.

(2) "Government,"
a. the state of Missouri; or
b. any municipality, city, town, village, township, district, authority, public subdivision or public corporation having the power to tax or regulate, or any portion of two or more such entities within the state of Missouri.

STATE OF MISSOURI } ss
Secretary of State

I, John R. Ashcroft, Secretary of State of the state of Missouri, hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and complete copy of Constitutional Amendment No. 3, to be submitted to the qualified voters of the State of Missouri at the General Election to be held the fifth day of November, 2024.

In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, done at the City of Jefferson, this 27th day of August, 2024.



John R. Ashcroft
JOHN R. ASHCROFT
Secretary of State

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 5
[Proposed by Initiative Petition]

OFFICIAL BALLOT TITLE:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- allow the Missouri Gaming Commission to issue one additional gambling boat license to operate on the portion of the Osage River from the Missouri River to the Bagnell Dam;
require the prescribed location shall include artificial spaces that contain water and are within 500 feet of the 100-year base flood elevation as established by the Federal Emergency Management Agency; and
require all state revenues derived from the issuance of the gambling boat license shall be appropriated to early-childhood literacy programs in public institutions of elementary education?

State governmental entities estimate one-time costs of \$763,000, ongoing costs of \$2.2 million annually, initial fee revenue of \$271,000, ongoing admission and other fee revenue of \$2.1 million annually, and annual gaming tax revenue of \$14.3 million. Local governments estimate unknown revenue.

NOTICE: The proposed amendment revises Article III of the Constitution by amending Section 39(e).

Be it resolved by the people of the state of Missouri that the Constitution be amended:

Section A. Article III of the Constitution is revised by amending Section 39(e) to read as follows:

Section 39(e). 1. The general assembly is authorized to permit upon the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers only, which shall include artificial spaces that contain water and that are within 1000 feet of the closest edge of the main channel of either of those rivers, lotteries, gift enterprises and games of chance to be conducted on excursion gambling boats and floating facilities. Any license issued before or after the adoption date of this amendment for any excursion gambling boat or floating facility located in any such artificial space shall be deemed to be authorized by the General Assembly and to be in compliance with this Section.

2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, lotteries, gift enterprises, and games of chance may be conducted on excursion gambling boats and floating facilities licensed by the Missouri Gaming Commission upon the portion of the Osage River from the Missouri River to the Bagnell Dam, which shall include artificial spaces that contain water and that are within 500 feet of the 100-year base flood elevation as established by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, in addition to such licenses as have been authorized prior to January 1, 2024, the Missouri Gaming Commission shall issue one additional excursion gambling boat license. Such license shall only be issued to an excursion gambling boat that will operate upon the portion of the Osage River from the Missouri River to the Bagnell Dam.

4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, all state revenues derived from the issuance of excursion gambling boat licenses issued after January 1, 2024 shall only be appropriated to early-childhood literacy programs in public institutions of elementary education and shall not be included within the definition of "total state revenues" in section 17 of article X of this constitution.

5. The state auditor shall perform an annual audit of the revenues received and appropriated pursuant to this section to ensure they are being used only for authorized purposes. The state auditor shall make such audit available to the public, the governor, and the general assembly.

[NOTICE: You are advised that the proposed constitutional amendment may be construed to change, repeal, or modify by implication Article III, Sections 39, 39(9), and 39(c).]

STATE OF MISSOURI } ss
Secretary of State

I, John R. Ashcroft, Secretary of State of the state of Missouri, hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and complete copy of Constitutional Amendment No. 5, to be submitted to the qualified voters of the State of Missouri at the General Election to be held the fifth day of November, 2024.

In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, done at the City of Jefferson, this 27th day of August, 2024.



John R. Ashcroft
JOHN R. ASHCROFT
Secretary of State

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 6
[Proposed by the 102nd General Assembly (Second Regular Session) SS SCS SJR 71]

OFFICIAL BALLOT TITLE:

Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to provide that the administration of justice shall include the levying of costs and fees to support salaries and benefits for certain current and former law enforcement personnel?

State and local governmental entities estimate an unknown fiscal impact.

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri, an amendment repealing section 14 of article I of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to the administration of justice.

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2024, or at a special election to be called by the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for adoption or rejection, the following amendment to article I of the Constitution of the state of Missouri:

Section A. Section 14, article I, Constitution of Missouri, is repealed and one new section adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 14, to read as follows:

Section 14. 1. That the courts of justice shall be open to every person, and certain remedy afforded for every injury to person, property or character, and that right and justice shall be administered without sale, denial or delay.

2. In order to ensure that all Missourians have access to the courts of justice as guaranteed by this Constitution, the administration of justice shall include the levying of costs and

Act will be assumed to work forty hours in each work week for purposes of earned paid sick time accrual unless their normal work week is less than forty hours, in which case earned paid sick time accrues based upon that normal work week.

(C) Up to 80 hours of earned paid sick time shall be carried over to the following year if the employee has any unused accrued earned paid sick time at the end of the year, but this law does not require an employer to permit an employee to use more than the applicable number of hours of earned paid sick time per year as set forth in subsection (1) and (2) of this section. Alternatively, in lieu of carryover of unused earned paid sick time from one year to the next, an employer may pay an employee for unused earned paid sick time at the end of a year which could be carried over and provide the employee with an amount of paid sick time that meets or exceeds the requirements of sections 290.600 through 290.642 that is available for the employee's immediate use at the beginning of the subsequent year.

(D) If an employee is transferred to a separate division, entity, or location, but remains employed by the same employer, the employee is entitled to all earned paid sick time accrued at the prior division, entity, or location and is entitled to use all earned paid sick time as provided in this section. When there is a separation from employment and the employee is rehired within nine months of separation by the same employer, previously accrued earned paid sick time that had not been used shall be reinstated. Further, the employee shall be entitled to use accrued earned paid sick time and accrue additional earned paid sick time at the re-commencement of employment.

(E) When a different employer succeeds or takes the place of an existing employer, all employees of the original employer who remain employed by the successor employer are entitled to all earned paid sick time they accrued when employed by the original employer, and are entitled to use earned paid sick time previously accrued.

(F) At its discretion, an employer may loan earned paid sick time to an employee in advance of accrual by such employee.

5. Any employer with a paid leave policy, such as a paid time off policy, who makes available an amount of paid leave sufficient to meet the accrual requirements of this section that may be used for the same purposes and under the same conditions as earned paid sick time under sections 290.600 through 290.642 is not required to provide additional paid sick time under this section.

6. Except as specifically provided in this section, nothing in this section shall be construed as requiring financial or other reimbursement to an employee from an employer upon the employee's termination, resignation, retirement, or other separation from employment for accrued earned paid sick time that has not been used.

7. Employees shall not accrue earned paid sick time before May 1, 2025. Employees who are employed or who commence employment on or after May 1, 2025 shall accrue earned paid sick time and be entitled to use earned paid sick time as it is accrued in accordance with sections 290.600 through 290.642. The Department may develop model posters and notices, engage in rule-making, initiate outreach programs, and engage in other activities for implementation of the provisions of sections 290.600 through 290.642 as authorized by those sections before May 1, 2025.

290.606. 1. Earned paid sick time shall be provided to an employee by an employer for:

(A) An employee's mental or physical illness, injury, or health condition; an employee's need for medical diagnosis, care, or treatment of a mental or physical illness, injury, or health condition; an employee's need for preventative medical care;

(B) Care of a family member with a mental or physical illness, injury, or health condition; care of a family member who needs medical diagnosis, care, or treatment of a mental or physical illness, injury, or health condition; care of a family member who needs preventative medical care;

(C) Closure of the employee's place of business by order of a public official due to a public health emergency, or an employee's need to care for a child whose school or place of care has been closed by order of a public official due to a public health emergency, or care for oneself or a family member when it has been determined by the health authorities having jurisdiction or by a health care provider that the employee's or family member's presence in the community may jeopardize the health of others because of his or her exposure to a communicable disease, whether or not the employee or family member has actually contracted the communicable disease; or

(D) Absence necessary due to domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, provided the leave is to allow the employee to obtain for the employee or the employee's family member:

- (i) Medical attention needed to recover from physical or psychological injury or disability caused by domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking;
- (ii) Services from a victim services organization;
- (iii) Psychological or other counseling;
- (iv) Relocation or taking steps to secure an existing home due to the domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking; or
- (v) Legal services, including preparing for or participating in any civil or criminal legal proceeding related to or resulting from the domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

2. Earned paid sick time shall be provided upon the request of an employee. Such request may be made orally, in writing, by electronic means, or by any other means acceptable to the employer. When possible, the request shall include the expected duration of the absence.

3. When the use of earned paid sick time is foreseeable, the employee shall make a good faith effort to provide notice of the need for such time to the employer in advance of the use of the earned paid sick time and shall make a reasonable effort to schedule the use of earned paid sick time in a manner that does not unduly disrupt the operations of the employer. Where such need is not foreseeable, an employer may require an employee to provide notice of the need for the use of earned paid sick time as soon as practicable.

4. An employer that requires notice of the need to use earned paid sick time where the need is not foreseeable shall provide a written policy that contains procedures for the employee to provide notice. An employer that has not provided to the employee a copy of its written policy for providing such notice shall not deny earned paid sick time to the employee based on non-compliance with such a policy.

5. An employer may not require, as a condition of an employee's taking earned paid sick time, that the employee search for or find a replacement worker to cover the hours during which the employee is using earned paid sick time.

6. Earned paid sick time may be used in the smaller of hourly increments or the smallest increment that the employer's payroll system uses to account for absences or use of other time.

7. For earned paid sick time of three or more consecutive work days, an employer may require reasonable documentation that the earned paid sick time has been used for a purpose covered by subsection (1) of this section.

(A) Documentation signed by a health care professional indicating that earned paid sick time is necessary shall be considered reasonable documentation for purposes of this section.

(B) In cases of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, if the employer requests, one of the following types of documentation selected by the employee shall be considered reasonable documentation: (i) a police report indicating that the employee or the employee's family member was a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking; (ii) a written statement from an employee or agent of a victim service provider affirming that the employee or employee's family member is or was receiving services from a victim service provider; (iii) documentation signed by a health care professional from whom the employee or employee's family member sought assistance relating to domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking or the effects thereof; (iv) a court document indicating that an employee or employee's family member is or was involved in a legal action related to domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking; or (v) a written statement from the employee affirming that the employee or employee's family member is taking or took earned paid sick time for a qualifying purpose of subsection

(1) of this section.

(C) An employer may not require that the documentation explain the nature of the illness, details of the underlying health needs, or the details of the domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, unless otherwise required by law.

290.609. 1. It shall be unlawful for an employer or any other person to interfere with, restrain, or deny the exercise of, or the attempt to exercise, any right protected under sections 290.600 through 290.642.

2. An employer shall not take retaliatory personnel action or discriminate against an employee or former employee because the individual has exercised rights protected under sections 290.600 through 290.642. Such rights include, but are not limited to, the right to request or use earned paid sick time pursuant to sections 290.600 through 290.642; the right to file a complaint or inform any person about any employer's alleged violation of sections 290.600 through 290.642; the right to participate in any investigation, hearing, or proceeding or cooperate with or assist the Department in any investigations of alleged violations of sections 290.600 through 290.642; and the right to inform any person of his or her potential rights under sections 290.600 through 290.642.

3. It shall be unlawful for an employer's absence control policy to count earned paid sick time taken under sections 290.600 through 290.642 as an absence that may lead to or result in discipline, discharge, demotion, suspension, or any other adverse action.

4. Protections of this section shall apply to any individual who mistakenly but in good faith alleges violations of sections 290.600 through 290.642.

290.612. 1. Employers shall give employees a written notice about earned paid sick time within fourteen calendar days of the commencement of employment or on April 15, 2025, whichever is later, which must include the following information: (1) beginning May 1, 2025, employees accrue and are entitled to earned paid sick time at the rate one hour of earned paid sick time for every 30 hours of work, and may use earned paid sick time, subject to the limits and terms under sections 290.600 through 290.642 of Missouri law, (2) it is prohibited for an employer to take retaliatory personnel action against employees who request or use earned paid sick time as allowed by law, (3) each employee has the right to bring a civil action if earned paid sick time as required by sections 290.600 through 290.642 is denied by the employer or the employee is subjected to retaliatory personnel action by the employer for exercising the employee's rights under sections 290.600 through 290.642; and, (4) the contact information for the Department. Notice shall be provided by the Employer to the employee on a single piece of paper, at least 8.5 x 11, in no less than 14-point font.

2. Beginning April 15, 2025, employers shall display a poster that contains the information required in subsection (1) of this section in a conspicuous and accessible place in each establishment where such employees are employed, provided that such poster has been made available by the Department.

3. The Department may create and make available to employers, model notices and posters that contain the information required under subsection (1) of this section for employers' use in complying with subsections (1) and (2) of this section. Nothing in this subsection shall be interpreted or applied, either expressly or through practical necessity, to require the Department to create or make available notices or posters if it requires the appropriation of funds to cover the costs of such acts.

290.615. 1. Employers shall retain records documenting hours worked by employees and earned paid sick time taken by employees, for a period of not less than three years, and shall allow the Department access to such records, with appropriate notice and at a mutually agreeable time, to monitor compliance with the requirements of sections 290.600 through 290.642.

2. To the extent permitted by law, the Director may inspect such records, and the records shall be open for inspection by the Director by appointment. Where the records required under this section are kept outside the state, the records shall be made available to the Director upon demand. Every such employer shall furnish to the Director on demand a sworn statement of time records and information upon forms prescribed or approved by the Director. All the records and information obtained by the Department are confidential and shall be disclosed only on order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

3. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted or applied, either expressly or through practical necessity, to require the Department or Director to access or inspect records or to create forms relating to the inspection of records if it requires the appropriation of funds to cover the costs of such acts.

290.618. 1. The Department may, in accordance with chapter 536, promulgate rules for the implementation, enforcement, and administration of sections 290.600 through 290.642. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after November 5, 2024, shall be invalid and void.

2. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted or applied, either expressly or through practical necessity, to require the promulgation or adoption of rules if it requires the appropriation of funds to cover the costs of such acts.

290.621. 1. The Department may investigate and ascertain compliance with sections 290.600 through 290.642, establish and implement a system to receive complaints regarding non-compliance with sections 290.600 through 290.642 and to investigate and attempt to resolve complaints between the complainant and the subject of the complaint, and establish additional means of enforcement, including requiring by subpoena the testimony of witnesses and production of books, records, and other evidence relative to any matter under investigation or hearing, issuing notices of violation, holding hearings on notices of violation, making determinations, recovering unpaid earned sick time, and imposing fines for willful violations of up to \$500 per day of each day of a continuing violation. A final decision of the department is subject to review in accordance with the provisions of chapter 536.

2. The Department may develop and implement an outreach program to inform employees, parents, and persons who are under the care of a health care provider about the availability of earned paid sick time under sections 290.600 through 290.642. This program may include the distribution of notices and other written materials to child care and elder care providers, domestic violence shelters, schools, hospitals, community health centers and other health care providers in Missouri.

3. A municipality, county, city, town, or village may adopt ordinances, rules, and regulations to investigate and ascertain compliance with sections 290.600 through 290.642, establish and implement a system to receive complaints regarding non-compliance with sections 290.600 through 290.642 and to investigate and attempt to resolve complaints between the complainant and the subject of the complaint, and establish additional means of enforcement, with respect to employers within, or employees performing work while physically present in, the geographic boundaries of the municipality, county, city, town, or village. Any such ordinance, rule, or regulation shall be consistent with this law and any Department rules or regulations and system for compliance and enforcement. The municipality, county, city, town, or village may exercise such powers as allowed by any applicable charter or ordinance, including requiring by subpoena the testimony of witnesses and production of books, records, and other evidence relative to any matter under investigation or hearing, issuing notices of violation, holding hearings on notices of violation, making determinations, recovering unpaid earned sick time, and imposing fines for willful violations of up to the maximum allowed for an ordinance violation. Before investigating or seeking to resolve any complaint between the complainant and the subject of the complaint, the municipality, county, city, town, or village shall give notice to the Department with a copy of the complaint and, within 14 days of such notice, the Department may intervene as of right

and participate in the matter to ensure that the complaint is being investigated and resolved in the interest of effective enforcement of sections 290.600 through 290.642 or, alternatively, the Department may institute its own proceedings in which case the municipality, county, city, town, or village shall refrain from acting on the matter so long as the complaint is being investigated and resolved in the interest of effective enforcement of sections 290.600 through 290.642. If the Department does not, within 14 days, intervene or instigate its own proceedings, the municipality, county, city, town, or village may, without the Department, investigate and attempt to resolve the complaint and take other additional means within its power to enforce sections 290.600 through 290.642 against the subject of the complaint. In no event shall an employer be subject to compliance proceedings arising out of a single set of facts after having already been subjected to a final compliance order by another governmental entity.

4. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted or applied, either expressly or through practical necessity, to require the Department, a municipality, county, city, town, or village to conduct investigations and ascertain compliance with sections 290.600 through 290.642, to establish and implement a system to receive or resolve complaints, to establish additional means of enforcement, or to conduct outreach and education, including the creation of notices and other written materials, concerning sections 290.600 through 290.642, if it requires the appropriation of funds to cover the costs of such acts.

290.624. 1. Any employer who willfully violates or fails to comply with any of the provisions and requirements of sections 290.600 through 290.642 shall be guilty of a class C misdemeanor; provided, however, that an employer who willfully violates the notice and posting requirements of section 290.612 shall be guilty of an infraction.

2. For purposes of this section, each day of violation or failure to comply and each employee affected shall constitute a separate offense.

290.627. 1. Any individual who claims to have been aggrieved by a failure of an employer to comply with any portion of sections 290.600 through 290.642, including but not limited to the failure to provide earned paid sick time or to allow employees to use such time consistent with sections 290.600 through 290.642, or who claims to have suffered a retaliatory personnel action, shall have a right of action and may commence a civil action in the appropriate court of jurisdiction within three years of the accrual of the cause of action, to obtain appropriate relief with respect to such unlawful violation. Such action may be brought without first filing an administrative complaint.

2. In a civil action under this section, if the court finds a violation has occurred, the court may grant as relief, as it deems appropriate and to the extent permitted by law, any permanent or temporary injunction, the full amount of any unpaid earned sick time plus any actual damages suffered as the result of the employer's violation of sections 290.600 through 290.642, an additional amount equal to twice any unpaid earned sick time as liquidated damages, costs, and reasonable attorney's fees as may be allowed by the court, and other legal or equitable relief as may be appropriate to remedy the violation, including, without limitation, reinstatement to employment and back pay.

290.630. 1. Except as otherwise required by law, an employer may not require disclosure of details relating to an employee's or an employee's family member's health information, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking as a condition of providing earned paid sick time under sections 290.600 through 290.642.

2. Unless as otherwise required by law, any health or safety information possessed by an employer regarding an employee or employee's family member must:

(A) be maintained on a separate form and in a separate file from other personnel information;

(B) be treated as confidential medical records; and

(C) not be disclosed except to the affected employee or with the express written permission of the affected employee.

290.633. 1. With respect to employees covered by a valid collective bargaining agreement in effect on November 5, 2024, no provisions of sections 290.600 through 290.642 shall apply until the stated expiration date in the collective bargaining agreement; however, further the provisions of sections 290.600 through 290.642 shall apply upon any such agreement's renewal, extension, amendment, or modification in any respect after November 5, 2024.

2. Nothing in sections 290.600 through 290.642 shall be deemed to interfere, impede, or otherwise diminish the right of employees to bargain collectively through representatives of their own choosing in order to establish earned paid sick time or other conditions of work in excess of the applicable minimum standards under the provisions of sections 290.600 through 290.642.

3. Any waiver by an employee of rights under sections 290.600 through 290.642 shall be deemed contrary to public policy and shall be void.

290.636. 1. Nothing in sections 290.600 through 290.642 shall be construed to discourage or prohibit an employer from the adoption or retention of an earned paid sick time policy more generous than the one required herein.

2. Nothing in sections 290.600 through 290.642 shall be construed as diminishing the obligation of an employer to comply with any contract, collective bargaining agreement, employment benefit plan, or other agreement providing more generous paid sick time to an employee than required herein. Nothing in sections 290.600 through 290.642 shall be construed as diminishing the rights of public employees regarding paid sick time or use of paid sick time as provided in the laws of Missouri and ordinances of political subdivisions pertaining to public employees.

290.639. 1. Sections 290.600 through 290.642 provide minimum requirements pertaining to earned paid sick time and shall not be construed to preempt, limit, or otherwise affect the applicability of any other law, regulation, requirement, policy, or standard that provides for greater accrual or use by employees of earned paid sick time or that extends other protections to employees.

2. Nothing in sections 290.600 through 290.642 shall be interpreted or applied to create a power or obligation contrary to any federal law, rule, or regulation.

290.642. Except as detailed in section 290.618, all of the provisions of sections 290.600 through 290.642 are severable, and if any provision, including any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, or clause, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, unconstitutional, or unconstitutionally enacted, such decision shall not affect other provisions or applications of sections 290.600 through 290.642 that can be given effect without the invalid, unconstitutional, or unconstitutionally enacted provision or application, and to this end the provisions of sections 290.600 through 290.642 are declared severable.

STATE OF MISSOURI } ss
Secretary of State

I, John R. Ashcroft, Secretary of State of the state of Missouri, hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and complete copy of Proposition A, to be submitted to the qualified voters of the State of Missouri at the General Election to be held the fifth day of November, 2024.

In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, done at the City of Jefferson, this 27th day of August, 2024.



John R. Ashcroft
JOHN R. ASHCROFT
Secretary of State

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TRUSTEE'S SALE

IN RE: Irian Encina Fabre, a married woman and Leonardo Gonzalez Vicente, her husband Trustee's Sale:

For default in payment of debt and performance of obligation secured by Deed of Trust executed by Irian Encina Fabre, a married woman and Leonardo Gonzalez Vicente, her husband dated July 5, 2018 and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Adair County, Missouri in Book 1062, Page 722 the undersigned Successor Trustee, at the request of the legal holder of said Note will on Tuesday, November 19, 2024 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., (at the specific time of 3:30 PM), at the South Front Door of the Court House, City of Kirksville, County of Adair, State of Missouri, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, described in said Deed of Trust, and situated in Adair County, State of Missouri, to wit:

ALL OF LOT 10, BLOCK 3, KILMER'S 2ND [SECOND] ADDITION [(PHASE 2), AN ADDITION] TO [THE CITY OF] KIRKSVILLE, ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI. [THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN BRACKETS HAS BEEN ADDED TO MORE ACCURATELY REFLECT THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION.]

to satisfy said debt and cost.

MILLSAP & SINGER, P.C.,
Successor Trustee
612 Spirit Drive
St. Louis, MO 63005
(636) 537-0110
File No: 200358.111924.449386 FC

NOTICE

Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. §1692c(b), no information concerning the collection of this debt may be given without the prior consent of the consumer given directly to the debt collector or the express permission of a court of competent jurisdiction. The debt collector is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

PUBLISH ON: October 23, 2024 10/30/2024, 11/06/2024, 11/13/2024

COUNTY CLERK'S NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024
ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI

Notice is hereby given that a General Election will be held at the following polling places in each precinct of said County of Adair, State of Missouri, and the polls will be open between the hours of (6) six o'clock in the morning and until (7) seven o'clock in the evening of the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November, 2024, for the purpose of voting on candidates for the Federal, State, District, and County offices, that the hereinafter mentioned ballots contains the name of each candidate, together with a designation of the office for which he or she represents, the party of principle he or she represents, as certified and filed in the office of Secretary of State or County Clerk.

KV1 Cornerstone Church, 1702 N Elson St., Kirksville
KV2 Rehoboth Baptist Church, 100 Pfeiffer Ave., Kirksville
KV3 Loyal Order of the Moose Lodge, 2405 E Illinois St., Kirksville
KV4 Adair County Annex, 300 N. Franklin St., Kirksville
TSU 1st floor Student Union (east end), 901 S. Franklin St., Kirksville
BRASHEAR NEMO Fairgrounds, 2700 E. Illinois St., Kirksville
NOVINGER Novinger Community Center, 101 Snyder Ave, Novinger
RURAL BENTON Missouri Department of Conservation, 3500 S. Baltimore, Kirksville

On Tuesday, November 5, 2024 beginning at (6) six o'clock a.m. and closing at (7) seven o'clock p.m. of said day. The ballots for said election will be in the following forms according to districts you live in:

TRUSTEE'S SALE

IN RE: Mallory Collinge, a single woman Trustee's Sale:

For default in payment of debt and performance of obligation secured by Deed of Trust executed by Mallory Collinge, a single woman dated December 6, 2019 and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Adair County, Missouri in Book 1085, Page 659 the undersigned Successor Trustee, at the request of the legal holder of said Note will on Tuesday, November 5, 2024 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., (at the specific time of 3:30 PM), at the South Front Door of the Court House, City of Kirksville, County of Adair, State of Missouri, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, described in said Deed of Trust, and situated in Adair County, State of Missouri, to wit:

ALL OF LOT 1, BLOCK 9, BRASHEAR'S FIRST ADDITION TO KIRKSVILLE, ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI.

to satisfy said debt and cost.

MILLSAP & SINGER, P.C.,
Successor Trustee
612 Spirit Drive
St. Louis, MO 63005
(636) 537-0110
File No: 220615.110524.449251 FC

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PUBLISH ON: October 9, 2024 10/16/2024, 10/23/2024, 10/30/2024

OFFICIAL GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI
NOVEMBER 5, 2024

Republican - REP
Democratic - DEM
Libertarian - LIB
Green - GRN
Better - BTR

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote, completely fill in the oval next to your choice, like this .

CANDIDATES: Complete the oval next to the name of the Candidate for whom you wish to vote.

PROPOSITIONS: If you are in FAVOR of the proposition or question, complete the oval next to the word YES. If you are OPPOSED to the proposition or question, complete the oval next to the word NO.

WRITE-IN: To vote for a person whose name is not on the ballot, write his or her name in the blank space provided for such purposes and complete the oval next to the space provided.

For United States President and Vice-President

A vote for candidates for President and Vice-President is a vote for their electors. (Vote for 1)

Donald J. Trump (REP)
JD Vance

Kamala D. Harris (DEM)
Tim Walz

Chase Oliver (LIB)
Mike ter Maat

Jill Stein (GRN)
Rudolph Ware

(write-in)

For United States Senator

(Vote for 1)

Josh Hawley (REP)

Lucas Kunge (DEM)

W.C. Young (LIB)

Jared Young (BTR)

Nathan Kline (GRN)

(write-in)

For Governor

(Vote for 1)

Mike Kehoe (REP)

Crystal Quade (DEM)

Bill Slantz (LIB)

Paul Lehmann (GRN)

(write-in)

For Lieutenant Governor

(Vote for 1)

Dave Wasinger (REP)

Richard Brown (DEM)

Ken Iverson (LIB)

Danielle (Dani) Elliott (GRN)

(write-in)

For Secretary of State

(Vote for 1)

Denny Hoskins (REP)

Barbara Phifer (DEM)

Carl Herman Freese (LIB)

Jerome Bauer (GRN)

(write-in)

For State Treasurer

(Vote for 1)

Vivek Malek (REP)

Mark Osmack (DEM)

John A. Hartwig, Jr. (LIB)

Reagan Haase (GRN)

(write-in)

For Attorney General

(Vote for 1)

Andrew Bailey (REP)

Elad Jonathan Gross (DEM)

Ryan L. Munro (LIB)

(write-in)

For United States Representative in Congress 6th District

(Vote for 1)

Sam Graves (REP)

Pam May (DEM)

Andy Maidment (LIB)

Mike Diel (GRN)

(write-in)

For State Representative 3rd District

(Vote for 1)

Danny Busick (REP)

(write-in)

For State Representative 4th District

(Vote for 1)

Greg Sharpe (REP)

Melissa Jo Vioria (DEM)

(write-in)

For Circuit Judge Circuit 2

(Vote for 1)

Matt Wilson (REP)

(write-in)

For Commissioner of the County Commission 1st District

(Vote for 1)

William "Bill" King (REP)

(write-in)

For Commissioner of the County Commission 2nd District

(Vote for 1)

Gayla McHenry (REP)

Harley L. Harrelson (DEM)

(write-in)

For Sheriff

(Vote for 1)

Jason D. Lene (REP)

(write-in)

For Assessor

(Vote for 1)

Kent Bryant (REP)

(write-in)

For Public Administrator

(Vote for 1)

Rhonda Noe (REP)

(write-in)

For Coroner

(Vote for 1)

Brian C Noe (REP)

(write-in)

For Surveyor

(Vote for 1)

Patrick E. Boren (REP)

(write-in)

Constitutional Amendment No. 2

Proposed by Initiative Petition

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- allow the Missouri Gaming Commission to regulate licensed sports wagering including online sports betting, gambling boats, professional sports betting districts and mobile licenses to sports betting operators;
- restrict sports betting to individuals physically located in the state and over the age of 21.

YES

NO

allow license fees prescribed by the Commission and a 10% wagering tax on revenues received to be appropriated for education after expenses incurred by the Commission and required funding of the Compulsive Gambling Prevention Fund, and

allow for the general assembly to enact laws consistent with this amendment?

State governmental entities estimate one-time costs of \$60,000, ongoing annual costs of at least \$5.2 million, and initial license fee revenue of \$11.75 million. Because the proposal allows for deductions against sports gaming revenues, they estimate unknown tax revenue ranging from \$0 to \$28.9 million annually. Local governments estimate unknown revenue.

YES

NO

Constitutional Amendment No. 3

Proposed by Initiative Petition

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish a right to make decisions about reproductive health care, including abortion and contraceptives, with any governmental interference of that right presumed invalid;
- remove Missouri's ban on abortion;
- allow regulation of reproductive health care to improve or maintain the health of the patient;
- require the government not to discriminate, in government programs, funding, and other activities, against persons providing or obtaining reproductive health care; and
- allow abortion to be restricted or banned after Fetal Viability except to protect the life or health of the woman?

State governmental entities estimate no costs or savings, but unknown impact. Local governmental entities estimate costs of at least \$51,000 annually in reduced tax revenues. Opponents estimate a potentially significant loss to state revenue.

YES

NO

Constitutional Amendment No. 5

Proposed by Initiative Petition

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- allow the Missouri Gaming Commission to issue one additional gambling boat license to operate on the portion of the Osage River from the Missouri River to the Bagnell Dam;
- require the prescribed location shall include artificial spaces that contain water and are within 500 feet of the 100-year base flood elevation as established by the Federal Emergency Management Agency; and
- require all state revenues derived from the issuance of the gambling boat license shall be appropriated to early-childhood literacy programs in public institutions of elementary education?

State governmental entities estimate one-time costs of \$763,000, ongoing costs of \$2.2 million annually, initial fee revenue of \$271,000, ongoing admission and other fee revenue of \$2.1 million annually, and annual gaming tax revenue of \$14.3 million. Local governments estimate unknown revenue.

YES

NO

Constitutional Amendment No. 6

Proposed by Initiative Petition

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- provide that the administration of justice shall include the levying of costs and fees to support salaries and benefits for certain current and former law enforcement personnel?

State and local governmental entities estimate an unknown fiscal impact.

YES

NO

Constitutional Amendment No. 7

Proposed by 102nd General Assembly (Second Regular Session) SS SJR 78

Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to:

- Make the Constitution consistent with state law by only allowing citizens of the United States to vote;
- Prohibit the ranking of candidates by limiting voters to a single vote per candidate or issue; and
- Require the plurality winner of a political party primary to be the single candidate at a general election?

State and local governmental entities estimate no costs or savings.

YES

NO

Proposition A

Proposed by Initiative Petition

Do you want to amend Missouri law to:

- increase minimum wage January 1, 2025 to \$13.75 per hour, increasing \$1.25 per hour each year until 2026, when the minimum wage would be \$15.00 per hour;
- adjust minimum wage based on changes in the Consumer Price Index each January beginning in 2027;
- require all employers to provide one hour of paid sick leave for every thirty hours worked;
- allow the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to provide oversight and enforcement; and
- exempt governmental entities, political subdivisions, school districts and education institutions?

State governmental entities estimate one-time costs ranging from \$0 to \$53,000, and ongoing costs ranging from \$0 to at least \$256,000 per year by 2027. State and local government tax revenue could change by an unknown amount depending on business decisions.

YES

NO

Judicial Ballot

Submitting to the voters whether the Judges named below, whose terms expire December 31, 2024, shall be retained in office for new terms.

Vote on Each Judge

Missouri Supreme Court Judge(s)

Shall Judge KELLY C. BRONIEC of the Missouri Supreme Court be retained in office?

YES

NO

Shall Judge GINGER K. GOOCH of the Missouri Supreme Court be retained in office?

YES

NO

Missouri Court of Appeals Judge(s), Western District

Shall Judge CYNTHIA LYNETTE MARTIN of the Western District Court of Appeals be retained in office?

YES

NO

Shall Judge JANET L. SUTTON of the Western District Court of Appeals be retained in office?

YES

NO

Shall Judge GARY D. WITT of the Western District Court of Appeals be retained in office?

YES

NO

IN THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT, ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI

Case Number: 24AR-PR00116 (Date File Stamp)

Judge or Division: PROBATE

In the Estate of LEWIS F ROOP, Deceased.

Notice of Letters Testamentary Granted

(Supervised Administration)

To All Persons Interested in the Estate of LEWIS F ROOP, Decedent:

On October 21, 2024, the last will of Decedent having been admitted to probate, the following individual was appointed personal representative of the estate of LEWIS F ROOP, decedent by the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of ADAIR COUNTY, Missouri.

The name and business address of the personal representative is: Harold Love, 23942 Stucky Cemetery Trail, Kirksville, Missouri, 63501

The personal representative's attorney's name, business address and phone number is: Jessica Rooks, 2211 East Normal Avenue, Kirksville, Missouri, 63501. 660-627-3369.

All creditors of said decedent are notified to file claims in court within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice or if a copy of this notice was mailed to, or served upon, such creditor by the personal representative, then within two months from the date it was mailed or served, whichever is later, or be forever barred to the fullest extent permissible by law. Such six-month period and such two-month period do not extend the limitation period that would bar claims one year after Decedent's death, as provided in Section 473.444, RSMo, or any other applicable limitation periods. Nothing in Section 473.033, RSMo, shall be construed to bar any action against a decedent's liability insurance carrier through a defendant ad litem pursuant to Section 537.021, RSMo.

Date of the decedent's death: September 6, 2024
Date of first publication: October 30, 2024

Martha Cole
Adair County Circuit Clerk

Receipt of this notice by mail should not be construed by the recipient to indicate that the recipient necessarily has a beneficial interest in the estate. The nature and extent of any person's interest, if any, can be determined from the files and records of this estate in the Probate Division of the above referenced Circuit Court.

PUBLICATION DATES: 10-30-2024, 11-6-2024, 11-13-2024, 11-20-2024

The polling places will be open from the hours of (6) six o'clock am until (7) seven o'clock pm during which time any persons properly registered to vote in the county will be given the opportunity to cast his or her ballot. Done by order of the County Clerk of the County of Adair this 10th day of September, 2024.
Sandra Collop, Adair County Clerk

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Replace Glass Panels
The Adair County Sheriff's Office is requesting bids for the replacement of glass panels in the Adair County Detention Center. A bid package may be obtained in the Sheriff's Office at 215 N. Franklin St. in Kirksville or from www.adaircounty-missouri.com/government/bids-requested. Bids will be due by November 22, 2024 at 4:00 PM

PAINTING
The Adair County Sheriff's Office is requesting bids for painting of walls, bunks, etc. in the Adair County Detention Center. A bid package may be obtained in the Sheriff's Office at 215 N. Franklin St. in Kirksville or from www.adaircountymissouri.com/government/bids-requested. Bids will be due by November 22, 2024 at 4:00 PM 731224at

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THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024
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This is in addition to regular office hours 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday thru Friday.
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IN THE 2ND JUDICIAL Case Number: 24AR-PR00114 **CIRCUIT COURT, ADAIR COUNTY, MISSOURI**
Judge or Division: PROBATE (Date File 10/11/24)
In the Estate of DANNY LEROY BOWERS, Deceased.
Notice to Creditors (Small Estate)
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of DANNY LEROY BOWERS, Decedent.
On October 4, 2024 a small estate affidavit was filed by the distributees for the decedent under Section 473.097, RSMo, with the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Adair County Missouri.
All creditors of Decedent, who died on March 26, 2024, are notified that Section 473.444, RSMo, sets a limitation period that would bar claims one year after the death of Decedent. A creditor may request that this estate be opened for administration.
Receipt of this notice should not be construed by the recipient to indicate that the recipient may possibly have a beneficial interest in the estate. The nature and extent of any person's interest, if any, may possibly be determined from the affidavit on this estate filed in the Probate Division of the Circuit Court of Adair County Missouri.
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9	KIRKVILLE, HS		0		3	KNOX COUNTY, HS		5	
0	MACON	8/30	KIRKVILLE	35	37	ST. PAUL LUTHERAN	8/30	KNOX COUNTY	30
42	KIRKVILLE	9/6	CHILICOTHE	7	68	PLATTSBURG	9/6	KNOX COUNTY	32
7	KIRKVILLE	9/13	SAVANNAH	6	28	KNOX COUNTY	9/13	BISHOP LEBLOND	52
7	MOBERLY	9/20	KIRKVILLE	28	-	KNOX COUNTY	9/20	OFF WEEK	-
0	MARSHALL	9/27	KIRKVILLE	40	62	SCHUYLER CO.	9/27	KNOX COUNTY	44
16	KIRKVILLE	10/4	HANNIBAL	15	60	PARIS	10/4	KNOX COUNTY	20
13	MEXICO	10/11	KIRKVILLE	28	48	KNOX COUNTY	10/11	NORTH SHELBY	34
42	KIRKVILLE	10/18	FULTON	0	18	LIVINGSTON CO.	10/18	KNOX COUNTY	76
12	CENTRALIA	10/25	KIRKVILLE	41	20	KEYTESVILLE	10/25	KNOX COUNTY	72

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5	SCHUYLER CO., HS		4		3	MACON, HS		6	
16	SEYMOUR	8/30	SCHUYLER CO.	52	0	MACON	8/30	KIRKVILLE	35
72	BISHOP LEBLOND	9/6	SCHUYLER CO.	12	18	N. CALLAWAY	9/6	MACON	7
42	SCHUYLER CO.	9/13	PLATTSBURG	46	56	PALMYRA	9/13	MACON	14
28	KEYTESVILLE	9/20	SCHUYLER CO.	60	15	MACON	9/20	HALLSVILLE	46
62	SCHUYLER CO.	9/27	KNOX COUNTY	44	38	CENTRALIA	9/27	MACON	14
70	SCHUYLER CO.	10/4	LIVINGSTON CO.	22	8	CLARK COUNTY	10/4	MACON	15
34	SCHUYLER CO.	10/11	BRAYMER	64	56	MACON	10/11	HIGHLAND	12
58	NORTH SHELBY	10/18	SCHUYLER CO.	62	21	MACON	10/18	SOUTH SHELBY	42
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