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Franklin County Primary Election Results Certified

(Columbus) The Franklin County Board of Elections certified results of the May 4, 2010 primary election this afternoon.

Certified totals for Franklin County precincts alone show 188,917 votes with 23 percent of 813,434 registered voters casting ballots. The totals include 85,404 voting absentee by mail or in person at the board of elections and 3,118 casting valid provisional ballots.

Recounts will be conducted in three contests including one for Republican Central Committee in Worthington Ward One that ended in a tie with D.J. Falcoski and Larry Guglielmi deadlocked at 219 votes each. As ordered by state law, the board of elections flipped a coin to break the deadlock to declare Guglielmi the winner so the recount could proceed. A tax levy in Madison Township and liquor option in Columbus Ward 50-C also were decided by less than one half of one percentage point triggering the mandatory recounts under Ohio law. The recounts will be conducted on May 24.

The board will complete the official canvass on May 25 when it certifies the recounts and receives final vote totals for contests shared with other counties in the primary from elections boards in Delaware, Fairfield, Licking, Madison and Union Counties.

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