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Early Voting for the 15th Congressional Special Election Primary Begins Wednesday

(**Columbus**) Tomorrow at 8:00 a.m. registered voters living within the boundaries of the 15th Congressional district will have the opportunity to vote at the county's early in-person vote center. Voters can also request an absentee ballot be mailed to their residence to be filled out and returned by mail or dropped off at the Franklin County Board of Elections.

This Special Election Primary is needed because former Representative Steve Stivers resigned his house seat earlier this year. This is a partisan primary which is needed to fill the remaining unexpired term which lasts through 2022. Because there is more than one candidate from both parties vying for the seat a primary is needed. The highest vote getter from the Republican and Democrat primary on August 3 will meet in the General Election on November 2, 2021. The winner of the General Election will be sworn in as the representative of the 15th Congressional district.

Today marks the close of registration for voters in the 15th Congressional district to register to vote. Voters can also update a name or address change up until 9:00 p.m. tonight. The Board will be open tonight until 9:00 p.m. <u>Registered voters that want to vote early in-person can visit the Board of Elections at 1700 Morse Road Columbus, during the following hours below</u>.

Wednesday, July 7 thru Friday, July 23 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday, July 26 thru Friday, July 30 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Saturday, July 31 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Sunday, August 1 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday, August 2 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Election Day is Tuesday, August 3, 2021 polls open at 6:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 p.m. for only registered voters that reside within the 15th Congressional district. This is one of three Congressional districts that lie within Franklin County. There will be 91 Election Day voting locations to cover the 245 precincts within the 15th Congressional district.

Voters can find more information about this election and future elections by visiting, <u>http://vote.franklincountyohio.gov</u>.