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### **Franklin County Board of Elections Welcomes Jamie Shumaker as New Board Member**

**(Columbus, OH)** The Franklin County Board of Elections is proud to announce the appointment of Democrat Jamie Shumaker as its newest board member. The appointment was made by Ohio Secretary of State Frank LaRose after the unfortunate passing of longtime Democrat board member Kim Marinello. With over two decades of experience serving the Central Ohio community through public health, organized labor, and community engagement, Shumaker brings a wealth of leadership, advocacy, and organizational expertise to the Board.

Shumaker currently serves as Executive Director of the Central Ohio Labor Council, AFL-CIO, where she works to organize workplaces across Central Ohio with multiple labor unions, builds solidarity between affiliates in the labor council, and oversees an annual Labor Day event for area workers.

Her career includes nearly two decades with the City of Columbus Public Health Department as a Dietetic Technician, where she worked with low-income families to meet nutritional needs and connect them to critical services. As a former President and Secretary-Treasurer of local labor organizations, Shumaker has developed skills in contract negotiation, financial stewardship, and conflict resolution.

Beyond her professional accomplishments, Shumaker is deeply committed to community service. She currently serves on several Franklin County boards, including Franklin County Children Services, the Workforce Development Board, and the Central Ohio Workers Center Board.

**“I have dedicated my career to strengthening the community by building relationships, solving problems, and advocating for those who need a voice,” said Shumaker. “I am honored to join the Franklin County Board of Elections to help ensure fair, impartial, and accurate elections for every Franklin County voter.”**

Shumaker joins fellow Democrat board member Michael Sexton and Republicans Chairman Douglas J. Preisse and board member Meredith Freedhoff. The four individuals make up the bi-partisan board that is responsible for administering all aspects of election administration in Franklin County, an election jurisdiction serving more than 909,000 registered voters.

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#### **Oath of Office**

Jamie Shumaker will officially be sworn in at the next regular meeting of the Franklin County Board of Elections scheduled for Thursday, August 14, 2025 at 3:00 pm at the Franklin County Board of Elections, 1700 Morse Road, Columbus, OH 43229.

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