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League of Women Voters of Florida Responds to Governor's Signing of HB 7013, Election Reform Bill

Tallahassee, FL -- In response to Governor Rick Scott signing HB 7013, an election reform bill, into law today, Deirdre Macnab, President of the League of Women Voters of Florida, issued the following statement:

"Sometimes it felt like climbing a mountain with concrete boots, but with the Governor's signature on this election reform package, Florida has achieved what many of us thought at one time might be impossible: a huge improvement to our democratic process and a giant step forward for Florida voters.

Senate Ethics and Elections Committee Chair Jack Latvala and House Ethics and Elections Subcommittee Chair Jim Boyd are to be congratulated for their strong effort to make this a bi-partisan bill, and to ensure the voices of both the public and Florida's Supervisors of Elections were heard.

This bill will go a long way in repairing the damage done by the 2011 voter suppression bill, but citizens must stay vigilant to ensure that our elections system does not slide backwards at any point in the future."

For questions or further comments, please contact Deirdre Macnab at (407) 415-4559.

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