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SCHEDLER'S POSITION CONFIRMED

We reached out to the state attorney general in an effort to confirm our position that 'this office cannot and will not take it upon itself to prevent any candidate from qualifying for office or removing any candidate from the ballot.' As noted in Opinion 07-0111, our position is correct.

It is unfortunate that some people have chosen to spin this in a partisan manner for political and fundraising efforts; however, if this is what it takes to bring the discourse of voter participation to the forefront then I am not only excited, but I am honored to have the opportunity to stress the importance of voting in all elections.

Voting is not only important, it is a sacred right bestowed upon us by so many who sacrificed their lives for the very freedoms we enjoy today. The right to vote should be seen as an obligation to register our opinions for our future and that of our children.

I encourage all citizens to visit www.GeauxVote.com to download our free voter app and to register for the November presidential election as well as for the April 19 general election for local and municipal issues and candidates.

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