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SCHEDLER HONORS VETERANS THROUGH VOTER TURNOUT INITIATIVE

BATON ROUGE, La.—In honor of the Veterans Day holiday, Secretary of State Tom Schedler is strongly encouraging voters to participate in the upcoming Gubernatorial General Election on Saturday, November 21st. Through the secretary of state's Honor Vets…Vote! program, individuals can dedicate their vote to a current or former member of the military, honoring their sacrifice and memorializing their election participation.

"This is a critically important election for our state and its people," said Secretary Schedler. "Choosing not to vote is in fact, a vote to do nothing and that's unacceptable. However, we can all agree that our military heroes, who fought in numerous wars to ensure our freedoms, deserve our respect and admiration. Exercising your right to vote and dedicating that vote to an individual is a wonderful expression of thanks."

Individuals wishing to participate in the Honor Vets…Vote! program can access the application by visiting www.sos.la.gov/honorvets. After completing the form, each voter can choose to receive a bumper sticker, a lapel pin and/or a printable certificate documenting their vote dedication. Secretary Schedler encourages voters to participate in this patriotic program during each and every election to honor the many service members who have heroically protected our rights and freedoms.

"Early voting is in full swing this week and is a convenient way to cast a ballot on your schedule," Schedler added. "While early voting is suspended for the Veterans Day holiday, voters still have plenty of time to participate before it closes on Saturday at 6 p.m."

Early voting is scheduled in each parish through SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily, excluding WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH due to the Veterans Day holiday.

Voters should utilize Louisiana's award winning smartphone app, GeauxVote Mobile, to find out where to vote, what's on their ballot and their voting districts. Statewide, there are more than 153 candidate races including races for governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general and a number of legislative seats.

Citizens who want to vote early may do so in person at their parish Registrar of Voters Office or at other designated locations. For a complete listing of early voting locations visit https://voterportal.sos.la.gov/EarlyVoting.

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