LOCAL LEAGUE RESPONSE FORM TO RANKED CHOICE VOTING AND PRIMARY SYSTEMS STUDY

LEAGUE NAME _____

DECISION MAKING PROCESS AND NUMBER OF MEMBERS PARTICIPATING

Please complete this response form and forward it to the state League by May 15, 2025. League members who participate in a Local League process may not also submit an individual response.

We are asking you to make two separate decisions on two sets of Position Statements. You may concur with one, both or neither.

- 1. Do you concur with the position statement supporting the use of Ranked Choice Voting?
- 2. Do you concur with the position statement supporting the use of primary systems that open participation to more registered voters, up to and including nonpartisan primaries where all voters can vote for all candidates?

Proposed Position Statement 1

Ranked Choice Voting

- The League of Women Voters of New York State supports the use of rankedchoice voting (a.k.a., instant runoff voting), in primary, general and/or special elections to elect federal, state, and/or local officials.
- With the adoption of any electoral system, the League believes that education of the voting public is important and funding for startup and voter education should be allocated.

Do you have member agreement on the above Position Statements 1 on ranked choice voting?

_____Yes

Comments: _____

Proposed Position Statement 2

Primary Systems that allow all registered voters to participate in the primary process, including the use of nonpartisan primaries

- The League of Women Voters of New York State supports changing from a closed partisan primary system to a primary system, including a nonpartisan primary system, that allows all registered voters to participate, regardless of party affiliation or lack thereof.
- We support the use of nonpartisan primaries to elect federal, state and local officials.

Do you have member agreement on the above Position Statements 2 supporting the use of primary systems that open participation to more registered voters, up to and including nonpartisan primaries where all voters can vote for all candidates?

_____Yes

_____ No

Comments: _____

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