

VOTE FOR THE BEST CANDIDATE – REGARDLESS OF PARTY

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Many people in Lake County have voted straight Democrat for years. It is obvious that voting straight Democrat has not brought prosperity and good living to the people of Lake County.

What has the habit of voting straight Democrat brought to Lake County? Voting straight Democrat has given Lake County the highest property tax rates in the nation, high unemployment, thousands of people losing their homes from foreclosures or tax lien sales, and rotten local politicians who waste or steal our tax money to make themselves and their friends rich at the citizens' expense.

If Lake County voters keep voting straight Democrat, they can expect more of the same high taxes, high unemployment, tragic loss of homes and businesses, and more political corruption. In order to get a different result, we must take a different action.

Voting for the best candidate in each race regardless of party makes more sense. A candidate's honesty is more important than a candidate's party. Voting against a political candidate just because of the candidate's party is just as wrong as voting against a candidate because of the candidate's race, religion, or color of skin.

Lake County needs voters who will vote for the best candidate in each race regardless of party. That is the only way to change the misery that exists in Lake County today. Lake County needs a drastic change and Lake County needs it now.

I am a Democrat. But, I am tired of high taxes and political corruption. I am tired of high unemployment because businesses won't locate here because they are afraid of getting the "shakedown" for money from corrupt politicians. I am tired of my relatives, my friends, and my neighbors facing the loss of their homes because of foreclosures or tax lien sales. I am tired of the rotten local politicians who burden the citizens with huge tax bills, but grant tax exemption to favored friends and waste or rob the public treasuries to help themselves and their friends.

The Lake County Democrats are not fighting for lower taxes and government accountability. But, the Lake County Republicans are campaigning for lower taxes and government accountability. I'm still a Democrat, but I'm not stupid. This year, I'm voting for Republicans in the state and local races. Every honest Democrat who wants lower taxes and an end to political corruption should vote for the local Republicans, too.

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