



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Resolution authorizing voting precincts in Lake County.

- The 2021 decennial redistricting resulted in new Congressional, State and County Board district lines creating the need to reconfigure Lake County's voting precincts.
- The Lake County Clerk is responsible for drawing precinct lines as near as practicable for each precinct to be situated within one Congressional, Legislative and Representative District.
- Geographic Information System software (GIS) was utilized to achieve active voters of approximately 1200 voters per precinct.
- To achieve an average of 1200 voters per precinct, the number of voting precincts in Lake County was increased by 16.
- The attached Exhibit A sets forth the 431 precincts which are identified by their location within the county's respective 18 townships.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Lake County currently has 415 Election Day voting precincts in 18 townships; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 decennial redistricting resulted in new Congressional, State and County Board district lines; and

WHEREAS, the Lake County Clerk is responsible for drawing precinct lines as near as practicable for each precinct to be situated within one Congressional, Legislative and Representative District; and

WHEREAS, electronic files of the new districts were made available in December and analysis of existing precincts included the number of active registered voters; and

WHEREAS, Geographic Information System software (GIS) was utilized to achieve active voters of approximately 1200 voters; and

WHEREAS, some areas of Lake County are uniquely low-density and others are more compact, which yields minimum and maximum voter counts in the county; and

WHEREAS, more than one-third of Lake County voters now vote prior to Election Day and Election Day is effectively the last day of a voting period; and

WHEREAS, state and federal laws have added additional costs to the administration of elections and require significant resources before the traditional Election Day voting; and

WHEREAS, to achieve an average of 1200 voters per precinct, the number of voting precincts in Lake County was increased by 16;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by this Lake County Board of Lake County, Illinois, the attached Exhibit A sets forth the 431 precincts which are identified by their location within the county's respective 18 townships.

DATED, at Waukegan, Illinois on this 11th day of January, 2022.