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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Independent Party of Florida has been dissolved

The Independent Party of Florida (INT) has been cancelled pursuant to F.S 103.096 and is no longer a registered party in the state of Florida. In total, **3,859** registered voters in Hernando County are impacted by this change. Any voters affiliated with the Independent Party of Florida were changed to No Party Affiliation (NPA) and will be mailed a notice as well as a new Voter Information Card.

Voters who wish to choose a new party affiliation are able to do so by completing the included registration application and returning it to our office. **20 North Main Street, Brooksville, FL 34601.**

Florida is a “closed primary state”, which means in Primary Elections, voters registered with a minor party or without party affiliation may vote only on non-partisan races and issues that appear on the ballot. In the General Elections, regardless of party affiliation, a voter may vote for any candidate of their choice.

Florida Statute 97.055(1) states the registration books must be closed on the 29th day before each election and must remain closed until after that election. Any application for a party change received during book closing will not take effect until after the election.

Voters can look up their voter registration status at www.hernandovotes.com.

For more information please call our office at (352) 754-4125

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