To the people of Madison, WI:

Voting is one of the most important responsibilities we have as a U.S. citizen. With the current political climate people have been asking "What can we do? How can our voices be heard?" One of the best ways for a citizen's voice to be heard is to be active in the democratic process and vote in both Primary and General elections.

On April 4, 2017 there will be a general election for State Superintendent. Early voting, also known as absentee voting, begins March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and goes through April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017. In person early voting can be done at local public libraries and at the City of Madison's clerk office. A full list of locations where to vote early in person is available at <a href="https://www.cityofmadison.com/clerk">https://www.cityofmadison.com/clerk</a>. If you are planning to go to the polls on Election Day the polls open at 7a.m. and close at 8 p.m. Anyone in line to cast a ballot at 8 p.m. will be allowed to cast their vote.

To find out more about rules, regulations, voter id, and candidates constituents can go to the League of Women Voters of Dane County website at <a href="https://www.lwvdanecounty.org">www.lwvdanecounty.org</a>. Information regarding the election, as well as an early voting location, is also provided by the Madison City Clerk's Office, Monday through Friday 8 a.m.-4:30p.m., located at:

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We hope to see you at the polls.