



City of Van Wert
Attn: Mayor Gerald T. Mazur
515 E. Main St.
Van Wert, OH 45891

October 5, 2017

Dear Mayor Mazur:

For the upcoming November 7, 2017 General Election, Ohio voters will decide a number of local issues and races. Ohioans will also vote on two statewide ballot issues:

- Issue 1 – Proposed Constitutional Amendment: Rights for Crime Victims
- Issue 2 – Proposed Law: To require state agencies to not pay more for prescription drugs than the federal Department of Veterans Affairs and require state payment of attorney fees and expenses to specific individuals for defense of the law

As Secretary of State and Chairman of the Ohio Ballot Board, I want to ensure information about these important issues is available and accessible to all Ohio voters and am seeking your help in this endeavor. The **2017 State Issues Report**, which includes the official ballot language, explanation, arguments for and against, and the full text of the issues, is now posted on my office's website at www.OhioSecretaryofState.gov (click on the "Know the Statewide Issues" button at the bottom of the home page). The website is also a resource for information on absentee voting, voting early in person and Election Day procedures.

I encourage you to direct interested voters to this web page and, if possible, to include a link to the *2017 State Issues Report* on your own website. For your convenience, you can use this widget (sample of graphic below, widget available at <https://www.sos.state.oh.us/publications/Widgets/>) on your website.

Simply copy and paste the code to create a custom button that will stand out to Ohio voters who may be visiting your website from now through the election. We also encourage you to share the state issues information link through social media and to follow my office's social media accounts (OhioSOSHusted on Facebook and Twitter) for future elections updates.

If we can provide additional information or assistance, please contact us at (877) 767-6446 or info@OhioSecretaryofState.gov.

Thank you for all you do to promote civic involvement and an informed electorate.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jon Husted".

Jon Husted
Ohio Secretary of State

