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September 26 is National Voter Registration Day. **Are you registered to vote? At your current address?** If the answer to either is no, the League of Women Voters urges you to GET REGISTERED NOW! Registering to vote in our state is easier than ever thanks to Tennessee's new online voter registration. Tennesseans can register to vote online at <https://ovr.govote.tn.gov/>.

Voter registration is the key to making sure Tennesseans of all backgrounds—especially first-time young voters, people who have recently moved, and those living in underrepresented communities—have their say,” said Marian Ott, President, League of Women Voters of Tennessee. “We want to make sure everybody who wants the opportunity to vote on Election Day has their registration up-to-date.”

The League of Women Voters commends Secretary of State Tre Hargett, Election Coordinator Mark Goins and the Tennessee General Assembly for bringing online voter registration to Tennessee. The On-line Voter Registration gives citizens the convenient option of completing a registration form on-line that is identical to the paper copy now being used.

On-line voter registration has a proven track record in other states for efficiency and cost savings. Tennessee's election system will now be able to enjoy the efficiencies; for example, in Arizona the cost per online registration was \$.03 versus \$.83 for a paper registration. Online registration requires the same validation of information as paper registration forms so there is no compromising of the registration process.

Accurate voter registration lists are important to the integrity of the election process. Online registrations improve accuracy because there are no input errors from the paper form. Thirty states have implemented online voter registration and have not reported election problems related to the online registration.

Early voting and Election Day voting will remain the same. The League of Women Voters is hopeful that online voter registration will facilitate each of us registering to vote which is the first step in civic engagement. As important, is that each of us show up and VOTE!

The non-partisan League of Women Voters of Tennessee empowers voters through education, registration and get-out-the-vote activities in every election. Leagues across the state host candidate and issue forums and registration drives while also providing trusted and timely elections information on VOTE411.org. League President Ott stated, “We believe our democracy is strongest when every voice is heard.”