

**NOTICE OF REFERENDUM**

**COUNTY OF PORTAGE**

**NOVEMBER 6, 2018**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at an election to be held in the County of Portage, Wisconsin, on Tuesday, the 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2018, the following question will be submitted to a vote of the people:

QUESTION 2: Should the state legislature close the dark store and *Walgreens* tax loopholes and prevent shifting an ever-increasing tax burden to homeowners, small businesses, and other property owners by enacting legislation that: 1). Prohibits using closed, vacant (dark) properties as comparable properties for determining the assessed value of open, occupied, and fully operational properties; and 2). Overturns the 2008 Wisconsin Supreme Court decision in *Walgreens v. City of Madison*, which is being interpreted by the courts as requiring municipalities to assess certain leased commercial properties at a substantial discount, often 50% below the sales prices of such properties?

A copy of the entire text of the resolution directing the submission of the question can be obtained from the office of the Portage County Clerk.

**Acceptable Photo ID will be required to vote at this election. If you do not have a photo ID you may obtain a free ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles.**

Done in the County of Portage, Wisconsin on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018.

**SHIRLEY M. SIMONIS  
PORTAGE COUNTY CLERK**