

## **Democratic Women's Club of FL Amendment Recommendations**

### **YES on 3,4,9,13**

**The NO votes are MORE IMPORTANT!**

**Vote NO on 1:** Increases the amount of the homestead exemption. • Vote no to preserve the revenue to maintain our local government services.

**Vote NO on 2:** Makes the cap on non-homestead property permanent. • Vote no to keep tax decisions in the hands of the people of Florida.

**Vote YES on 3:** Requires voter approval of casino gambling. Vote yes to let citizens of Florida to decide where gambling is permitted.

**Vote YES on 4:** Restores the right to vote prior felony convictions upon completion of their sentences. • Vote yes to allow people who have paid their debt to society their fundamental rights.

**Vote NO on 5:** Requires a super majority of the legislature to impose or increase tax or fee. • Vote no to making it more difficult to balance the state's budget.

**Vote NO on 6:** 1. Establishes a series of rights for crime victims. 2. Increases the mandatory retirement age for judges from 70 to 75. 3. Provides that judges should not necessarily defer to governmental agencies in legal proceedings. • Vote no as this should better be left to the state legislature.

**Vote NO on 7:** 1. Requires the payment of death benefits when law enforcement officers, first responders are killed while performing official duties. 2. Establishes a governance system for the 28 state and community colleges. 3. Requires a supermajority vote by university boards of trustees and the Board of Governors when raising student fees. • Vote no on all of these as existing statutes and organizations are already fulfilling these needs.

**Vote YES on 9:** 1. Prohibits drilling for gas and oil in state coastal waters 2. Ban vaping and the use of electronic cigarettes in workplaces. • Vote yes to preserve the quality our environment and personal space at work

**Vote NO on 10:** 1. Requires all charter-county governments to have elected constitutional officers, including sheriffs. 2. Allows the Legislature beginning its annual session in January in even-numbered years. 3. Create an Office of Domestic Security and Counterterrorism in the Department of Law Enforcement. 4. Revises the constitutional authority for the Department of Veterans' Affairs. • Vote no as chief purpose of the amendment is to remove the electorate's right to engage in local self-governance. Also, there is no need to further militarize law enforcement.

**Vote NO on 11:** 1. Removes language that prohibits "aliens ineligible for citizenship" from owning property. 2. Removes obsolete language that authorizes a high-speed rail system. 3. Revises language to make clear that the repeal of a criminal statute does not affect the prosecution of any crime committed before the repeal. • Vote no to keep the original High-Speed Rail amendment that was overwhelmingly passed in 2006 by 63% of voters.

**Vote NO on 12:** 1. Imposes a six-year lobbying ban on former state elected officials, state agencies heads and local elected officials. 2. Creates a new ethics standard that

would prohibit public officials from obtaining a “disproportionate benefit” from their actions while in office. • Vote no as it will not solve the problems of money and influence in politics.

**Vote YES on 13:** *Bans greyhound racing at Florida tracks after Dec. 31, 2020. • Vote yes to end this cruel and antiquated form of entertainment.*



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