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Taxpayers Overwhelmingly Vote for Taxpayers!

Chicago – Taxpayers United of America (TUA) helped local activists defeat Home Rule in 3 more communities. TUA, founded 39 years ago, has helped taxpayers defeat a total of 209 Home Rule referenda. Also defeated were 3 out of 3 property tax increase referenda bringing the 39-year total victories to 208. Overall, TUA has helped taxpayers defeat a total of 417 referenda.

“Taxpayers sent a loud and clear message at the polls yesterday. They’re not going to quietly stand by and let government bureaucrats steal more of their hard-earned money,” stated Jim Tobin, TUA president.

Taxpayers in Wilmette Park District defeated bond issues for Gilson and Langdon parts by 64% and 78%, respectively.

Westmont CUSD 201 taxpayers crushed a property tax increase referenda with a 66% no vote.

Home Rule was overwhelmingly defeated in Shiloh (73%), New Baden (65%), and Broadview (85%).

“Home Rule is one of the worst things to happen to Illinois taxpayers,” said Tobin. “It gives government bureaucrats a blank check signed by taxpayers. It strips the right of taxpayers to vote on property tax increases and every other kind of tax the greedy politicians can dream up.”

“With our help, taxpayers have learned that 80% of local taxes go to fund salaries and pensions of the over-staffed government. No matter how loudly they yell it, we know ‘it’s not for the children.’”

“It’s pretty clear that Illinois’ taxpayers are fed up,” Tobin concluded. “We need to continue this trend of defeating and repealing taxes and taxing authorities. We need to return prosperity and financial security to the taxpayers, who have sacrificed their own well-being for the sake of the lavish and excessive pay and pensions of ‘civil servants.’”