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KENTUCKY LEAGUE ANNOUNCES STATEWIDE TOWN HALL - People Powered Fair Maps[™] and CALL TO ACTION - MAY 5

LOUISVILLE, KY—The League of Women Voters of Kentucky is announcing its People Powered Fair Maps[™] Town Hall and Call to Action, online, Wednesday, May 5, 2021, 7:00 -8:15 p.m. EDT in conjunction with the LWV US People Powered Day of Action on redistricting. The public is invited and encouraged to attend to learn more about Kentucky's upcoming redistricting process and how to take action to make sure the people's voice is heard.

Two national experts, Robert Millman, national activist and filmmaker whose documentary *Line in the Street* examines gerrymandering in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the recent legal and legislative battles there, and Joshua A. Douglas, University of Kentucky College of Law professor focused on the constitutional right to vote and author of "VOTE FOR *US*: How to TAKE BACK OUR ELECTIONS and CHANGE THE FUTURE of Voting," will speak along with Kentucky League members engaged in the process.

The event is free and open to the public. It will be available on the League's website: lwvky.org and Facebook page: facebook.com/LWVKY.

Every ten years, following release of U.S. Census data, states are required to redraw congressional and state legislative boundaries to assure the 'one person, one vote' mandate. This constitutional requirement is to ensure that each persons' voting power carries equal weight across the state and nation by creating districts that are as equal as possible in population.

New district lines can be drawn to intentionally decrease voters' power based solely on their political party. The League of Women Voters believes redistricting should be fair, transparent, and conducted with full public input. The LWV US national program, People Powered Fair Maps[™] advocates for redistricting processes that eliminate partisan and racial gerrymandering nationwide.

Kentucky voters are strongly encouraged to attend this Town Hall to learn more about how they can participate in ensuring that the redistricting process in Kentucky is fair and transparent! Final district lines, likely to be enacted in early 2022, will be in effect for ten years.

The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy. As a nonpartisan body, the League takes action on issues but does not support or oppose candidates or parties. Members include both men and women.