

PETITION TO AMEND SARASOTA COUNTY CHARTER

104.185 — A person who knowingly signs a petition or petitions for a candidate, minor political party, or an issue more than one time commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

BALLOT TITLE: Non-Partisan Election of County Officers

BALLOT SUMMARY: Amend the Sarasota County Charter to provide for non-partisan election, rather than partisan primaries and a general election, of the Board of County Commissioners, Charter Review Board, Clerk of Circuit Court, Property Appraiser, Tax Collector, Supervisor of Elections and Sheriff, with candidates for such offices listed on the ballot without party affiliation. The term non-partisan shall be as defined by state law without impairing constitutional freedom of speech, press and association.

FULL TEXT OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Add a new Subsection 6.5B under Article VI of the Sarasota County Charter:

Subsection 6.5B Non-Partisan Election of County Officers

The members of the Board of County Commissioners and Charter Review Board and the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Property Appraiser, Tax Collector, Supervisor of Elections, and Sheriff shall be elected on a non-partisan basis. Names of all candidates shall be placed on the ballot without reference to political party affiliation. The term non-partisan shall be as defined by state law; provided that nothing therein shall impair the constitutional rights of freedom of speech, press and association.

I am a registered voter in Sarasota County, Florida and hereby petition to place this proposed amendment to the Sarasota County Charter on the ballot.

NAME _____ STREET ADDRESS _____
Please PRINT Name as it appears on Voter I.D. Card PRINT Current Physical Address (NO PO BOXES)

CITY _____, FL., ZIP _____, SARASOTA COUNTY, USA.

IS THIS A CHANGE OF ADDRESS FOR VOTER REGISTRATION? Yes No

DATE OF BIRTH /_____/_____/_____ OR VOTER REGISTRATION NO. _____
Month Day Year

X

SIGNATURE AS IT APPEARS ON VOTER ID CARD

DATE SIGNED _____/_____/_____
Month Day Year

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Open Our Elections
4411 Bee Ridge Road #622
Sarasota, FL. 34233

Date approved _____ Serial No. _____

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