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Taxpayers Fight Two New Home Rule Referenda

CHICAGO—Taxpayers United of America (TUA) and local supporters are opposing two home rule referenda, in South Chicago Heights and Willowbrook.

Government bureaucrats are trying to persuade voters in these two Chicago suburbs to change their communities to Home Rule municipalities on the April 2, 2019 ballot. Taxpayers United of America's president, Jim Tobin, issued a statement stating that opposing these measures is best for residents concerned with their soaring property taxes, their homes, and their livelihood.

[Click here](#) to download the South Chicago Heights Home Rule flyer

[Click here](#) to download the Willowbrook Home Rule flyer

[“Last November, taxpayers in Beach Park, Lemont, Winthrop Harbor, Prospect Heights, and Zion all voted to reject Home Rule,”](#) said Tobin. “Perhaps there are so few Home Rule Referenda on the April 2 ballot because of how badly these greedy bureaucrats lost last time.”

“Home Rule always means Home Ruin,” said Tobin. “Why would anyone want to give up his or her right to vote on property tax increases?”

“Home rule always means higher taxes because it removes the cap limiting the amount that politicians can increase property taxes. Home Rule even allows municipalities to impose a real estate transfer tax. It gives politicians a blank check. How many politicians would you trust with a blank check bearing your signature? None.”

“Home rule also gives local governments authority to tax nearly any product or service they want. This drives consumers to neighboring communities where the taxes on products and services are lower.”

“TUA has defeated 431 local tax increase referenda since 1976 and on behalf of taxpayers we hope to reach 433 taxpayer victories. We urge voters in these two communities to tell bureaucrats that they have had enough of their governments living beyond their means at the expense of taxpayers. Voters should urge their fellow taxpayers to Vote No.”

Polls are open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2.