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REQUEST AN EMERGENCY BALLOT FOR THE MARCH 7, 2023 ELECTION

Registered voters who become physically incapacitated after 5:00 p.m. MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2023, and cannot make it to the polls, still have an opportunity to cast their ballot.

BLAINE County Election Board Secretary, BRENDA RICE said that state law permits voters who become emergency incapacitated after 5:00 p.m. MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2023, to vote under special provisions. RICE, said emergency incapacitation is something most voters don't think about.

“Voting is our constitutional right, but life happens. Injury, illness, or even childbirth can prevent a voter from being able to go to the polls. That’s why it’s important to make sure voters know their rights in the event of an emergency.”

If you or someone you know becomes physically incapacitated after 5:00 p.m. MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2023, contact your County Election Board as soon as possible. RICE says Election Board officials will work with you to make sure you have all of the necessary information to cast your ballot. Forms and information can also be found on the Oklahoma State Election Board website at oklahoma.gov/elections.

The BLAINE County Election Board is located at 212 N WEIGLE and is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., MONDAY through FRIDAY Election Board officials can be reached at 580-623-5518.

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