

Stakes are high for Sumter County voters in special election

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To the Editor:

The Republican primary for the Florida Senate District 11 seat is taking place now, with voting culminating on Sept. 30, 2025. This primary will determine whether Anthony V. Brice or Ralph E. Massullo, Jr. becomes the Republican nominee.

The winner of this primary will advance to the general election on December 9, 2025, to face Democratic candidate Ash Marwah.

The stakes in this election are high for Sumter County residents. The District 11 Senator will represent the community in the 2026 legislative session, making decisions on issues that directly affect daily lives since the legislature will likely consider issues such as the shrinking pool of property tax insurers in Florida, immigration, environmental protection laws, property tax, and hurricane relief.

The League of Women Voters of The Villages/Tri-County encourages all Republican voters to learn about the candidates' priorities and platforms before casting their ballot. To help make an informed decision, the League's website (lwvtrifl.org) offers information on voting times and locations, as well as direct links to the candidates' campaign websites and Facebook pages.

Please note: The Sumter County Supervisor of Elections mailed Vote by Mail ballots last week. Voters who did not receive a ballot probably did not renew their request after the November 2024 election. Instructions for doing this are also on the website.

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