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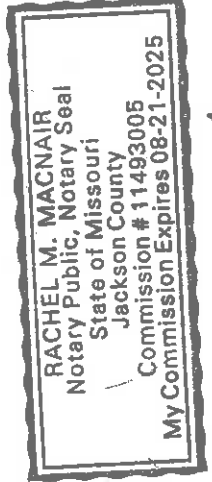
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Todd Clem )  
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| 2. <del>Jason Bailey</del>    | Jason Bailey       | 731 Lewis Ave KCMO            | 11/28/21 |
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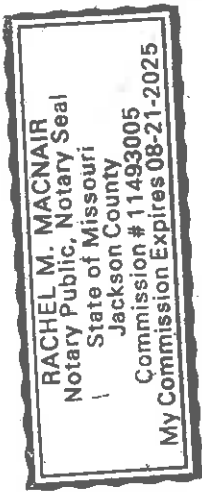
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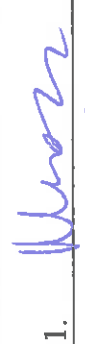









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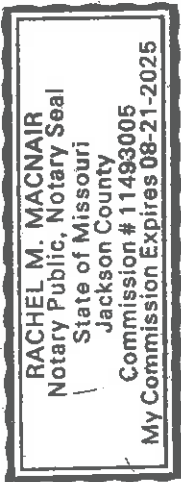
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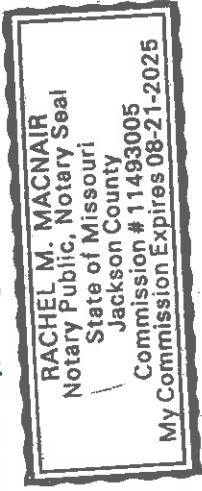
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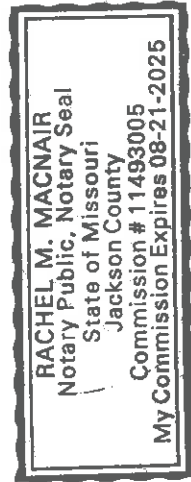
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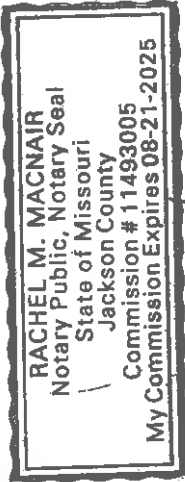
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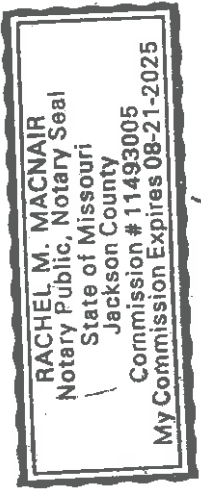
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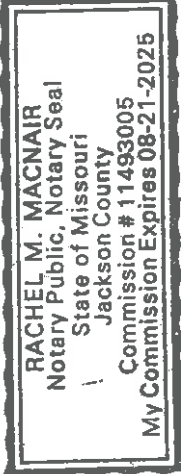
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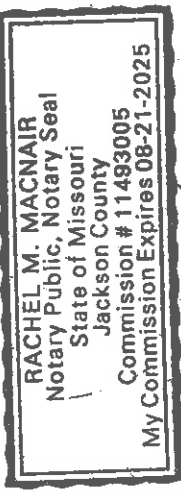
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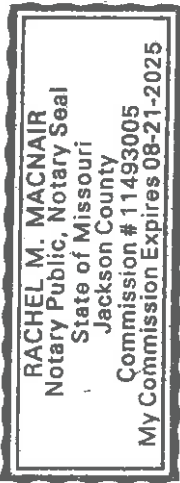
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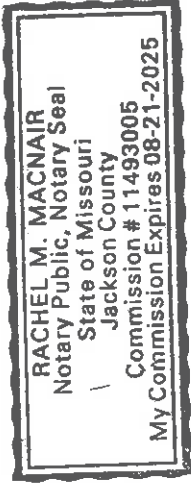
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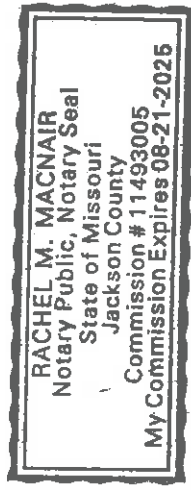
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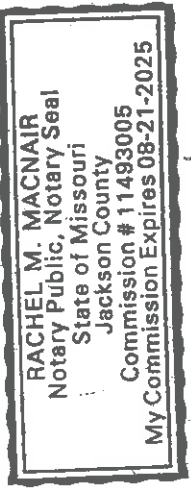
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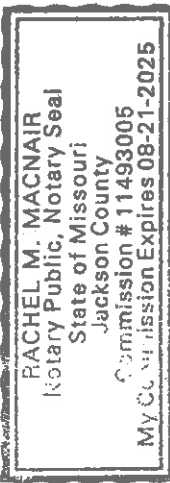
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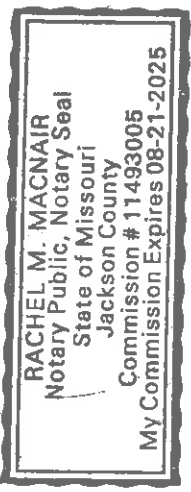
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| <u>[Signature]</u>         | <u>[Signature]</u>   | <u>[Address]</u>               | <u>11/30/21</u> |
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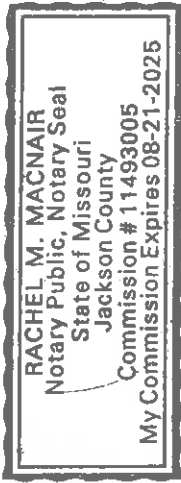
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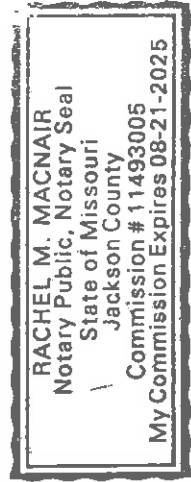
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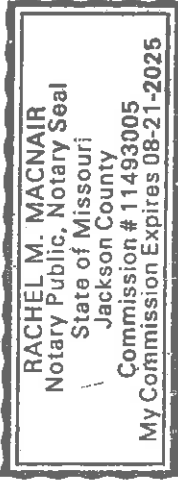
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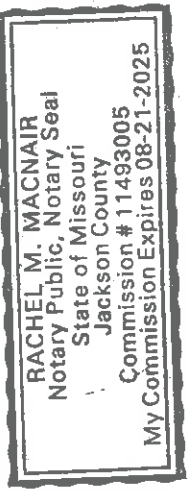
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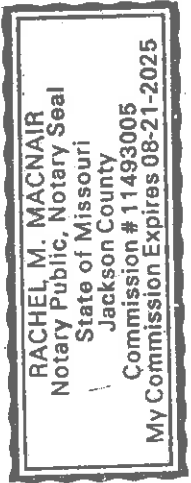
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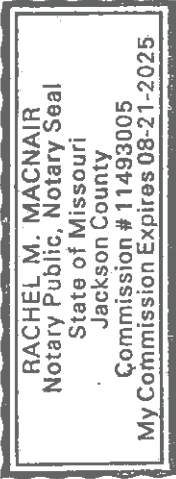
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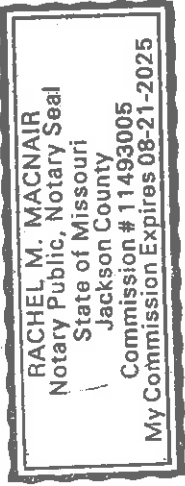
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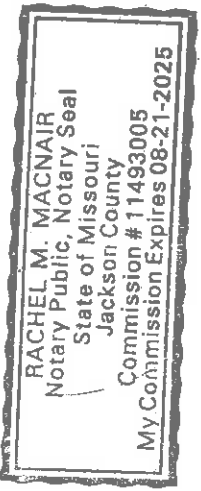
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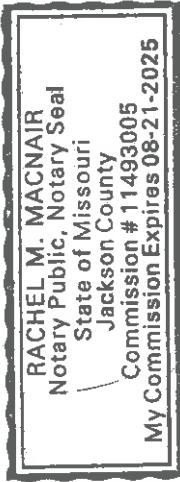
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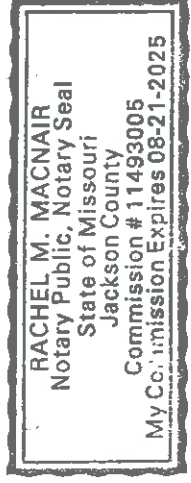
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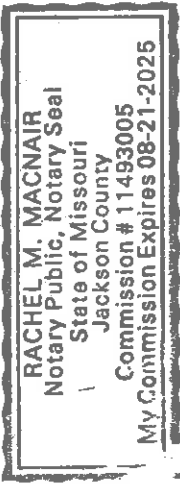
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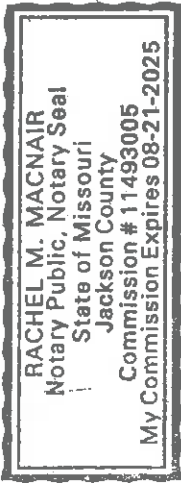
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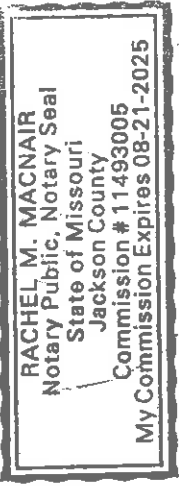
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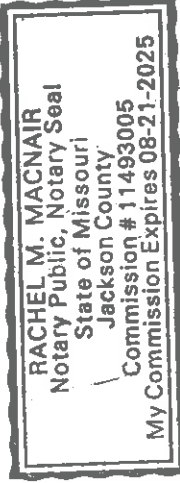
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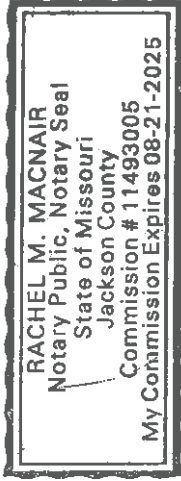
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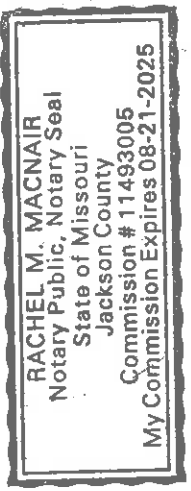
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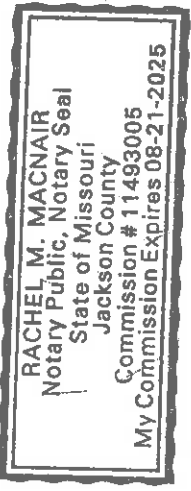
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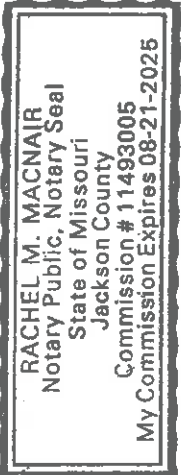
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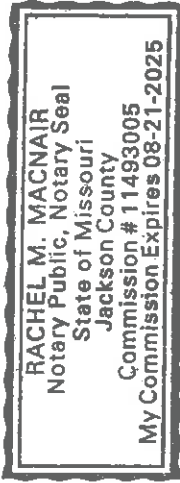
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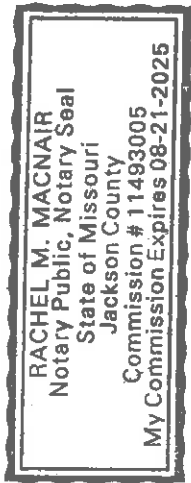
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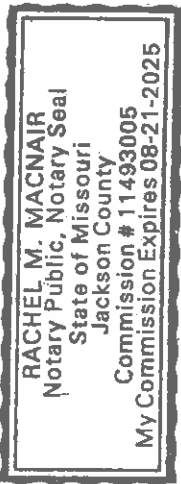
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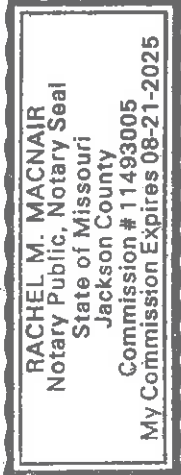
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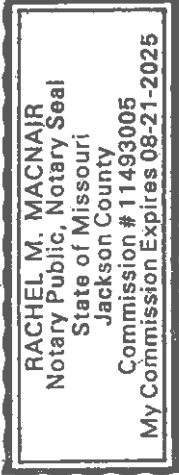
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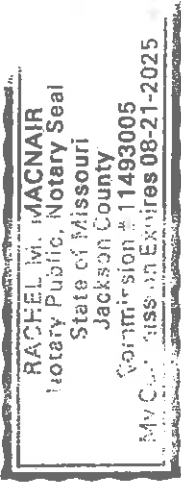
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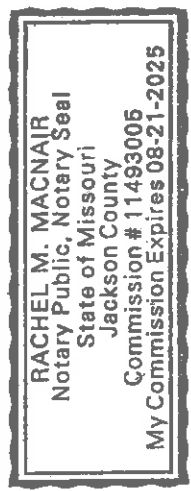
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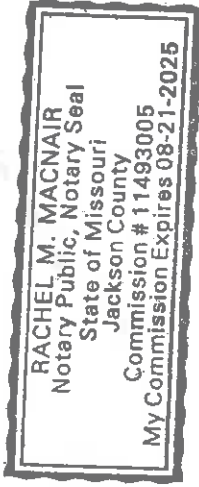
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## Financial Impact

**Savings:** The cost of the June, 2019 election was about \$617,000, so eliminating the second election would save around that much money. This savings will come every four years.

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## Proposed Amendment: ARTICLE VI. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Sec. 601. General laws to apply.

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Sec. 602. Nominations—~~Primary~~General election.

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|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| Mayor                   | No less than 1,000 nor more than 2,500 registered voters of the City |
| Council member at-large | No less than 500 nor more than 1,500 registered voters of the City   |
| District Council member | No less than 300 nor more than 750 registered voters of the district |

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(d) ~~Primary~~General election ballot.

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