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IMPORTANCE OF CITIZEN-ONLY VOTING IN WISCONSIN

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WE MUST ENSURE THAT ONLY U.S. CITIZENS ARE ALLOWED TO VOTE

- The U.S. electoral system is designed to give every eligible U.S. citizen in every state a say in choosing our leaders at the federal, state, and local levels.
- The federal National Voter Registration Act requires that states take steps to ensure that only eligible citizens are registered to vote.
- Due to the failure of the Biden-Harris Administration to secure the border, states must work even harder to ensure that their elections are not compromised by illegal aliens casting votes.
- Over <u>12 million</u> illegal aliens, including known "<u>gotaways</u>," have entered the country since 2021.
- Further, the Biden-Harris Administration issued Executive Order 14019, <u>directing all federal agencies to register voters</u>, including many federal agencies that interact regularly with illegal aliens.
- These unprecedented efforts put even more responsibility on states to protect the integrity of their elections.

BY THE NUMBERS

- Wisconsin is home to <u>at least 80,000</u> illegal aliens, but this number does not account for the major influx of the last 3 years.
- Wisconsin has a population of **5,893,718**.
- 80,000 illegal aliens represent 1.4% of Wisconsin's population. Though this seems like a small fraction, it's enough to make a difference in close elections.
 - During the 2020 presidential race, Wisconsin was decided by just 20,682 votes.
 - The third congressional district race in Wisconsin in 2020 was decided by just
 10,346 votes.
 - o The gubernatorial race in Wisconsin in 2018 was decided by **29,227 votes**.

WISCONSIN MUST TAKE STEPS TO ENSURE ONLY CITIZENS VOTE

- Governors should issue an <u>America First model executive order</u> to enforce state election laws and ensure that only eligible U.S. citizens vote.
- State legislators should pass legislation that ensures only U.S. citizens are voting using the America First model policy.
- State election officials should conduct regular voter roll maintenance for transparency and accountability.
- Voters should support ballot initiatives to enshrine citizen-only voting in their state Constitution and elect officials who will enforce.

