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## Media Release

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### **AutoMARK™ Voting Machine Available for the November 3 General Election**

OLYMPIA – An AutoMARK™ voting machine is currently available now through November 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Thurston County Courthouse. An AutoMARK™ will be available at the Intercity Bus Depot in downtown Olympia, on Friday, October 30, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, October 31, from noon to 4:00 p.m. No appointment is necessary to use a machine at these locations.

An AutoMark™ will also be available to residents at Olympics West Retirement Inn at 929 Trospen Rd in Tumwater on Wednesday, October 21 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. and the following Wednesday, October 28 at Cooper Point Village Community Center at 4125 Capitol Mall Dr SW in Olympia from 3-5 p.m. Voters who do not have transportation to these four locations should contact the Auditor's Office at (360) 786-5408 to schedule an appointment to have a machine brought to them. Voters must have their ballots with them to use the AutoMARK™.

These machines allow voters who cannot otherwise read or mark their ballots to vote independently and secretly. "These machines can read the ballot to the voter, magnify the print on the ballot, and mark the ballot for the voter. Voters who have never been able to vote independently before can use these machines to exercise one of their most fundamental rights," said Auditor Kim Wyman. The machines also allow voters to verify that their ballot was marked accurately. The AutoMARK™ does not produce a ballot. Voters must have their ballots with them to use the AutoMARK™ machines.

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