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We commend the *Newton TAB* on their coverage of this year's local elections. As members of an organization whose mission is to educate and inform voters, we appreciate how important this is.

The League of Women Voters of Newton (LWVN) is a truly non-partisan organization. While we do take positions after thorough study and analysis by our members, our organization has never endorsed particular candidates. Indeed, we consider it a great strength that we can focus on issues of importance to the community without regard for past or future endorsements of candidates.

LWVN has just published its annual Voters Guide, in which we ask three questions of all the Aldermanic candidates, and three questions of all the School Committee candidates. In this manner, the voters can see differences among the candidates, and learn about their opinions and ideas, which we hope will help voters in making their choices. This year's questions for the aldermen focus on economic development, school facilities, and water and sewer maintenance and repairs. School Committee candidates were asked questions about financing school renovations in the short-term, the importance of class size versus breadth of programming, and their opinions on an override to improve school facilities.

Please visit our website, www.lwnnewton.org, to read our Voters Guide or pick up a copy at Newton City Hall, the Newton Free Library, the Newton Senior Center. Voters can also call us at 617 383-4598 for a copy.

If you need a ride to your polling location, LWVN can help. Please call 617 383-4598 to make arrangements, or you can call the Election Commission office at 617 796-1350.

Please be sure to vote on Tuesday, November 8. As League of Women Voters members say across the United States, democracy is not a spectator sport!

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