Matt Rothschild of the Wisconsin Democracy Campaign provides an update on what to expect in this spring's crazy off and on election.

MADISON - We at the Wisconsin Democracy Campaign feel strongly that the election should be postponed, and we're outraged that our Speaker Vos and Majority Leader Fitzgerald refused to budge on this. We signed on to an excellent open letter from Wisconsin Voices expressing our outrage, which you can read here:

Statement on April 7 Election: An Urgent Call to Uphold Values of Access, Safety, and Equity

Our staff's been busy this week tracking the money being thrown around in the important Wisconsin Supreme Court race between Judge Jill Karofksy and Justice Dan Kelly.

Here's the article we posted on the direct donations to their campaigns:

State Dems Contributed $1.3M to Karofsky's Campaign

And here's the article on the spending by the outside groups:

Special Interest Spending Tops $3M in Supreme Court Race

You'll also find, on your ballot, a binding referendum on whether to amend the Wisconsin Constitution to strengthen victims' rights. We urge you to **vote NO** on this one. It collides with our Sixth Amendment rights to face our accuser and to have a fair trial, and it'll embroil the state in costly litigation. On top of that, it's been lavishly funded by California billionaire Henry Nicholas. Marsy's Law in Wisconsin was the third biggest lobbyist in the entire state during the last two sessions. And from January 1 through March 23 of this year, it spent $3,457,000 campaigning for this!

An out-of-state billionaire shouldn't be able to buy an amendment to the Wisconsin Constitution .

If you live in the following counties, you have an opportunity take a stand against gerrymandering on a non-binding referendum we support.

- Marquette
- Milwaukee
- Monroe
- Pierce
- Portage
- Rock
- St. Croix
- Trempealeau
- Wood

Check out some of the recent Fair Maps WI Coalition outreach on the referendum -- hear the radio ad and download a flyer (dual language): **Vote YES for Fair Maps**

And if you're up north in Oneida and Vilas counties, check your ballot because you might have the anti-gerrymandering referendum as well as non-binding referendum to overturn Citizens United and to declare, finally, that corporations aren't persons and money isn't speech. **We support that one**
, too, and we're grateful to the tremendous activists at
Wisconsin United to Amend
for all their work on this issue.

There's a lot on the ballot. That's why it's important to vote. And it's why it's so disgraceful that our elected officials haven't made it possible – and safe – for everyone to vote.

Please be safe.

Best,

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