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Secretary of State Bruce McPherson Announces User-Friendly *Easy Voter Guides* for June 6, 2006 Primary Election

Sacramento, CA - Secretary of State Bruce McPherson, the California State Library and the League of Women Voters of California Education Fund have teamed up to produce and distribute the popular *Easy Voter Guide* for the June 6, 2006 Primary Election. The nonpartisan guides are prepared in partnership with community members who helped create the guide's user-friendly design and easy-to-skim layout. The FREE guides are available in English, Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese and Korean.

The 16 page *Easy Voter Guide* features:

- Descriptions of the statewide offices and candidate listings;
- Statements from the candidates for Governor and U.S. Senate;
- Information from each of California's political parties;
- User-friendly summaries of all statewide ballot measures; and
- Helpful information about the Primary Election.

The order form for the *Easy Voter Guide* is available at www.easyvoter.org and the order deadline for shipments in April is March 27. Requests received after March 27 will be filled until supplies run out. Newspapers interested in using the content in this guide to support their election coverage can visit www.easyvoter.org/order.

Organizations distributing the guides will include the Secretary of State's Office, public libraries, elections officials, newspapers, high schools, community colleges, adult education schools, the League of Women Voters, and a wide variety of other community organizations. The cost of producing and delivering the guides is supported by the Secretary McPherson's Office, the California State Library, a James Irvine Foundation grant to the League of Women Voters of California Education Fund, and the San Francisco Foundation. The guide is developed by Common Knowledge in partnership with community groups across the state.