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It is no doubt that the 2016 election will go down in history. Businessman Donald Trump defeated former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton in the race to replace President Barack Obama. Additionally, Republicans retained majorities in both the House and the Senate to hold control of Congress and the White House.

Despite the national Republican tide, the top of the Democratic ticket performed well in Illinois as Hillary Clinton easily defeated Donald Trump to win Illinois' 20 electoral votes.

In a bitterly fought race, Congresswoman Tammy Duckworth (D) easily defeated Senator Mark Kirk (R) allowing Senate Democrats to pick up this Illinois Senate seat. Incumbent Mark Kirk was seeking re-election to his second term in office. At this point, Kirk appears to be only Republican incumbent to lose his re-election bid (although the Senate Race in New Hampshire is still too close to call) and that the US Senate Republicans will retain control of the Senate.

Chicago City Clerk Susan Mendoza (D) defeated appointed Comptroller Leslie Munger (R) in a special election. Republican Comptroller Leslie Munger was appointed to her position following the death of former Comptroller Judy Baar Topinka who died shortly after her 2014 re-election. Mendoza will serve the remainder of the four-year term and face re-election in November of 2018.

Illinois voters also considered an amendment to the Illinois Constitution to require that transportation-related fees and taxes such as license plate registration fees and motor fuel taxes be used only for transportation-related purposes by state and local governments and not be diverted to other programs. Amendments to the Illinois Constitution must be approved by 60 percent of the voters or by more than 50 percent of all ballots cast in the election. Illinois voters overwhelming approved this constitutional amendment.

The following is a final run-down of the targeted Illinois Congressional, Senate and House Races.

ILLINOIS CONGRESSIONAL RACES:

Illinois has 18 Congressional seats. Democrats picked up one additional seat, defeating incumbent Republican Congressman Robert Dold. Illinois Congressional Democrats will now have an 11-7 majority in Illinois. The 8th Congressional District was the only open seat in the November 2016 general election. That seat is currently occupied by Tammy Duckworth who won the U.S. Senate Seat.

While all 18 Illinois Congressional seats were up for election, only 12 of those races were contested.

1st Congressional District: Incumbent Bobby Rush (D) easily defeated Republican challenger August Deuser.

2nd Congressional District: Incumbent Robin Kelly (D) defeated Republican challenger John Morrow.

5th Congressional District: Incumbent Mike Quigley (D) easily defeated Republican challenger Vince Kolber.

6th Congressional District: Incumbent Peter Roskam (R) easily defeated Democratic challenger Amanda Howland.

7th Congressional District: Incumbent Danny Davis (D) easily defeated Republican challenger Jeffrey Leef.

8th Congressional District – Open Seat: Business owner Raja Krishnamoorthi (D) easily defeated Pete DiCianni (R), a DuPage County Board member and former mayor of Elmhurst. The race was an open seat to replace Congresswoman Tammy Duckworth who ran for the U.S. Senate.

9th Congressional District: Incumbent Jan Schakowsky (D) easily defeated Republican challenger Joan McCarthy Lasonde.

10th Congressional District: Incumbent Robert Dold (R) was once again defeated by Brad Schneider (D). This race was the third consecutive contest for these two candidates. Schneider took the seat from Dold in 2012. Dold won the seat back in 2014, and has now lost the seat back to Schneider in 2016.

11th Congressional District: Incumbent Bill Foster (D) easily defeated Republican challenger and DuPage County Board member Toni Khouri.

12th Congressional District: Incumbent Mike Bost (R) easily defeated Democratic challenger C. J. Baricevic.

13th Congressional District: Incumbent Rodney Davis (R) easily defeated his Democratic opponent Mark Wicklund.

14th Congressional District: Incumbent Randy Hultgren (R) easily defeated Democratic challenger Jim Walz.

17th Congressional District: Incumbent Cheri Bustos (D) easily defeated Republican challenger Patrick Harlan.

18th Congressional District: Incumbent Darin LaHood (R) won his first full term by defeating his Democratic challenger Junius Rodriguez. In 2015, LaHood won the special election to fill the remainder of the term vacated by former Congressman Aaron Schock.

ILLINOIS SENATE RACES:

In the Illinois State Senate, Democrats held a 39 to 20 veto proof majority over Republicans heading into the election. Senators Mike Noland (D), Dave Leuchtefeld (R) and John Sullivan were the three

incumbent Senators not seeking re-election. The Senate Republicans picked up two seats winning Sullivan's open seat (Jill Tracy in an uncontested race) and defeating Senator Gary Forby (Dale Fowler). Although they lost two seats, the Senate Democrats still hold a 37-22 veto proof majority.

Although there were 40 senate seats up for election this year, only 13 were contested. Below is a summary of the contested Senate seats.

22nd District – Open Seat: Cristina Castro (D) defeated Tracy Smodilla (R) to replace retiring Senator Michael Noland (D).

23rd District: Incumbent Tom Cullerton (D) narrowly defeated Seth Lewis (R) in this tier one targeted race.

25th District: Incumbent Jim Oberweis (R) defeated challenger Corinne Pierog (D).

26th District: Recently appointed Senator Dan McConchie overcame a challenge from Barrington Hills resident Kelly Mazeski (D) to win his first State Senate race. McConchie was appointed in April of 2016 to replace retiring Senator Dan Duffy (R).

28th District: Appointed Senator Laura Murphy (D) won her first election defeating challenger Mel Thillens (R). Murphy was appointed in October of 2015 to replace retiring Senator Dan Kotowski (D).

29th District: Incumbent Julie Morrison (D) defeated Oakton Community College Trustee Benjamin Salzberg (R).

31st District: Incumbent Melinda Bush (D) defeated former Lake County Republican party chairman Michael Amrozowicz (R).

32nd District: Incumbent Pam Althoff (R) defeated Melissa Coyne (D).

38th District: Incumbent Sue Rezin (R) defeated Christine Benson (D). This race was a rematch of their 2012 contest where Rezin also defeated Benson.

49th District: In this targeted race, incumbent Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant (D) narrowly defeated Michelle Smith (R).

52nd District: Appointed Senator Scott Bennett (D) defeated former legislative staffer and business owner Michael P. Madigan (R). Bennett was appointed Senator in 2015 to complete the term of Illinois Treasurer Mike Frerichs.

58th District – Open Seat: Paul Schimpf (R) defeated former Lt. Governor Shelia Simon (D) to replace retiring Senator Dave Leuchtefeld (R).

59th District: In this targeted race, incumbent Senator Gary Forby (D) was easily defeated by Harrisburg Mayor Dale Fowler (R).

ILLINOIS HOUSE RACES:

In the Illinois House, the Democrats held a 71 to 47 veto proof majority over the Republicans heading into Election Day. The House Republicans won five seats and lost one for a net gain of four seats in the House. Although the House Democrats will hold a 67-51 majority in the House, they will no longer have a veto proof majority (although some would argue that in reality they never did have a veto proof majority). Only 48 of the state's 118 house seats were contested in this election.

Six incumbent Representatives did not seeking re-election: Pamela Reaves-Harris (D), Mike Tryon (R), Jack Franks (D), Pat Verschoore (D), Don Moffitt (R) and Eddie Lee Jackson (D). All of these seats were contested.

10th District – Open Seat: Melissa Conyears (D) easily defeated challenger attorney Mark Spognardi (R) to replace retiring Representative Pamela Reeves Harris (D).

11th District: Incumbent Ann Williams (D) easily defeated her challenger Gary Mandell (R)

12th District: Incumbent Sara Feigenholtz (D) easily defeated Gene Witt (R).

15th District: Incumbent John D'Amico (D) easily defeated Jonathan Edelman (R).

18th District: Incumbent Robyn Gabel (D) defeated former Winnetka Mayor Jessica Tucker (R).

20th District: In a hotly contested and extremely expensive tier one race, incumbent Michael McAuliffe (R), a 20 year veteran of the Illinois House, easily defeated political newcomer Merry Marwig (D).

24th District: Incumbent Elizabeth Hernandez (D) defeated Randy Kirchoff (R).

35th District: In a rematch from the 2012 election, incumbent Fran Hurley (D) once again defeated Victor Horne (R).

42nd District: Incumbent Jeanne Ives (R) defeated challenger Kathleen Carrier (D).

44th District: Incumbent Fred Crespo (D) defeated Katy Baumer (R).

45th District: Incumbent Christine Winger (R) defeated challenger Cynthia Borbas (D).

46th District: Incumbent Deborah O'Keefe Conroy (D) once again defeated challenger Hedi Holan (R). Conroy narrowly defeated Holan in 2014.

48th District: Incumbent Peter Breen (R) defeated challenger Steve Swanson (D).

50th District: Incumbent Keith Wheeler (R) defeated Yorkville Mayor Valerie Burd (D).

55th District: Incumbent Marty Moylan (D) defeated Dan Gott (R).

56th District: Incumbent Michelle Mussman (R) defeated Jillian Bernas (R).

58th District: Incumbent Scott Drury (D) defeated challenger Martin Blumenthal (R).

59th District: Incumbent Carol Sente (D) defeated Mundelein Village Trustee Dawn Abernathy (R).

60th District: Incumbent Rita Mayfield (D) easily defeated Army Special Forces Veteran Robert Oschsner (R).

61st District: Incumbent Sheri Jesiel (R) defeated challenger Nick Ciko (D).

62nd District: In this hotly contested race, incumbent Sam Yingling (D) defeated challenger Rod Drobinski (R).

63rd District – Open Seat: Steven Reick (R), a tax attorney, defeated John Bartman (D). Bartman was appointed to the ballot to run for State Representative following the announcement that incumbent Democratic Representative Jack Franks was running for McHenry County Board President.

66th District – Open Seat: Allen Skillicorn (R) defeated Nancy Zettler (D) in the race to replace retiring State Representative Mike Tryon (R).

68th District: Incumbent John Cabello (R) defeated Tricia Sweeney (D).

69th District: Incumbent Joe Sosnowski (R) defeated challenger Anqelique Bodine (D).

71st District: In another hotly contested race, incumbent Mike Smiddy (D) was soundly defeated by Savanna Mayor Tony McCombie (R).

72nd District – Open Seat: Mike Halpin (D), an attorney from Rock Island, defeated Brandi McGuire (R) to replace retiring Representative Pat Verschoore (D).

74th District – Open Seat: Daniel Swanson (R) defeated Bill Butts (D) in the race to replace retiring Representative Don Moffitt (R).

75th District: Recently appointed State Representative David Welter (R) defeated challenger Martha Shugart (D). Welter was appointed to the seat when former State Representative John Anthony resigned to take a job with the Illinois Department of Corrections.

76th District: In a highly contested and very close race, appointed State Representative Andy Skoog (D) was defeated by Jerry Long (R). This open seat was to replace former Representative Frank Mautino (D) who resigned his position to assume the role of State Auditor General. This was Long's second run at this seat as he was narrowly defeated by Mautino in 2014.

77th District: Incumbent Kathleen Willis (D) defeated challenger Anthony Airdo (R).

79th District: In this hotly contested race, Incumbent Kate Cloonen (D) was easily defeated by Lindsay Parkhurst (R), an attorney from Kankakee.

81st District: Recently appointed Representative David Olsen (R) defeated fellow Downers Grove Village Trustee Greg Hose (D). Olsen was appointed to the State House in July following Republican Representative Ron Sandack's abrupt resignation.

84th District: Incumbent Stephanie Kifowit (D) defeated challenger Mike Strick (R).

93rd District: Incumbent Norine Hammond (R) defeated challenger John Curtis (D).

94th District: Incumbent Randy Frese (R) defeated Bobby Pritchett (D).

95th District: This hotly contested race pitted appointed Representative Avery Bourne (R) in her first election against Mike Mathis (D). Bourne easily won this race to replace former Representative Wayne Rosenthal (R) who resigned to serve as the Director of the State's Department of Natural Resources.

99th District: In this district formerly held by longtime Representative Raymond Poe (R), appointed Representative Sara Wojcicki Jimenez (R) soundly defeated Sangamon County Board Member Tony DelGiorno (D).

101st District: Incumbent Bill Mitchell (R) defeated challenger Christine Law (D).

110th District: Incumbent Reggie Phillips (R) defeated challenger Dennis Malak (D).

111th District: Incumbent Daniel Beiser (D) defeated challenger Mike Babcock (R).

112th District: Incumbent Dwight Kay (R) lost to challenger Katie Stuart (D). Kay was the only House Republican incumbent to lose.

113th District: Incumbent Jay Hoffman (D) defeated attorney Katherine Ruocco (R).

114th District – Open Seat: East St. Louis Councilwoman LaToya Greenwood (D) defeated radio talk show host Bob Romanik (R) to replace retiring Representative Eddie Lee Jackson.

115th District: Incumbent Terri Bryant (R) defeated Marsha Griffin (D).

117th District: In this hotly contested race, long-time incumbent John Bradley (D) was soundly defeated by Benton School Board President Dave Severin (R).

118th District: Incumbent Brandon Phelps (D) easily defeated Jason Kasiar (R).

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