



Just One Vote!

The excuse heard most often for not voting in elections is *my vote won't make a difference*. History is full of instances proving the enormous power of **Just One Vote!** In some cases, the course of nations have been changed because of **Just One Vote!** Consider these cases in history where **Just One Vote** made a significant difference:

- **In 1714, Just One Vote** placed King George I on the throne of England.
- **In 1776, Just One Vote** resulted in the United States adopting the English language instead of German.
- **In 1800, Just One Vote** elected Thomas Jefferson president of the United States following an electoral tie vote.
- **In 1824, Just One Vote** elected John Quincy Adams president of the United States following an electoral tie vote.
- **In 1845, Just One Vote** resulted in Texas becoming a state in the United States
- **In 1868, Just One Vote** failed to impeach President Andrew Johnson.
- **In 1875, Just One Vote** resulted in France changing from a monarchy into a republic.
- **In 1875, Just One Vote** elected Charles W. Jones of Florida to the United States Senate.
- **In 1923, Just One Vote** resulted in Adolf Hitler gaining leadership in the German Nazi Party.
- **In 1941, Just One Vote** saved the selective service system, just days before the bombing of Pearl Harbor.
- **In 1948, Just One Vote** elected Lyndon Johnson United States Senator from Texas.
- **In 1960, Just One Vote** per precinct in four states resulted in the election of John F. Kennedy president of the United States
- **In 1968, Just One Vote** per city block resulted in the election of Richard Nixon President of the United States
- **In 1993, Just One Vote** resulted in the largest tax increase for American Citizens in United States history.
- **In 1995, Just One Vote** resulted in the failure of the Balanced Budget Amendment in the United States Senate.
- **In 2000, Just One Vote** in each precinct in Florida resulted in the election of George W. Bush, president of the United States
- **In 2006, Just One Vote** ... could be your vote, a vote that makes the difference between victory and defeat.

A final word about **Just One Vote!** The Greek Philosopher Plato said, *The penalty good men pay for indifference to public affairs is to be ruled by evil men.* Eighteenth century British Statesman, Edmund Burke said, *The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing.* Thomas Jefferson said, *If a nation expects to be ignorant and free, it expects what never was and never will be.* Did you know that in the United States, fewer than one-tenth of one per-cent of qualified Americans voted in each election in which they were eligible to vote during any ten year period in the last half century? Think about these things as we approach the next election and the importance of **Just One Vote!** Remember that your vote or the vote of someone you influence could be the vote that makes a difference.

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