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Call him Mr. President!



Barack Obama will be the 44th U.S. president when he is sworn in Jan. 20, 2009.

Barrack Obama becomes nation's first black president

WASHINGTON (AP) – Barack Obama was elected the nation's first black president Tuesday night in a historic triumph that overcame racial barriers as old as America itself.

The son of a black father from Kenya and a white mother from Kansas, the Democratic senator from Illinois sealed his victory by defeating Republican Sen. John McCain in a string of wins in hard-fought battleground states – Ohio, Florida, Virginia and Iowa.

A huge crowd in Grant Park in Chicago erupted in jubilation at the news of Obama's victory. Some wept. McCain called to concede defeat – and the end of his own 10-year quest for the White House.

Obama and his running mate, Sen. Joseph Biden of Delaware, will take their oaths of office as president and

vice president on Jan. 20, 2009. As the 44th president, Obama will move into the Oval Office as leader of a country that is almost certainly in recession, and fighting two long wars, one in Iraq, the other in Afghanistan.

The popular vote was close, but not the count in the Electoral College, where it mattered most.

There, Obama's audacious decision to contest McCain in states that hadn't gone Democratic in years paid rich dividends.

Obama has said his first order of presidential business will be to tackle the economy. He has also pledged to withdraw most U.S. combat troops from Iraq within 16 months.

Fellow Democrats rode his coattails to larger majorities in both houses of Congress.

Gary Watson wins election for District 1

By Suzanne Adams
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KINGMAN – Voters braved the windy, chilly weather to come out in droves to the polls on Tuesday.

The large number of votes cast slowed things

slightly at the Mohave County Elections Department, but preliminary results from around 86 percent of the precincts were out around 8 p.m.

In the local races, unofficial results showed the Supervisor District I seat going to candidate Gary Watson with around 55 percent of the vote. "I'm very pleased with the outcome and eager to get to work," he said. He's already spoken to current District I Supervisor Pete Byers about projects in progress at the county that he will pick up when he takes office in January.

The Mohave County Community College Bond at 8 p.m. failed, with 57 percent voting against it. The Joint Technical District, which would include Kingman Unified School District, seemed to be winning voters' approval with 69 percent of the vote.

The two Kingman Unified School District seats went to Patrick Carlin with 36 percent and Terri McMullen with 42

percent. The three new board members of the Northern Arizona Consolidated Fire District No. 1 are Jim Bailey with 23 percent of the vote, Michael Collins with around 23 percent, and Erik Berg with 18 percent.

The Division V Superior Court Judge race went to Rick Williams with around 68 percent of the vote.

The U.S. Representative race for District 2 went to Trent Franks with around 63 percent of the vote.

The State Senate race for District 3 went to Ron Gould with around 64 percent of the vote.

The State Representative District 3 vote favored Doris Goodale with 36.86 percent of the vote and Nancy McLain with 37.73. The three slots on the Arizona Corporation Commission went to Sandra Kennedy with 18 percent, Paul Newman with 18 percent and Bob Stump with 16 percent.

Tuesday's Results

Contested Races

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DISTRICT 1

WINNER
REPUBLICAN



Gary L. Watson
55%

DEMOCRAT
Jack Ehrhardt
34%

INDEPENDENT
John Ford
11%

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 2

WINNER
REPUBLICAN



Trent Franks
58%

DEMOCRAT
John Thrasher
38%

LIBERTARIAN
Powell Gammill
2%

GREEN
William Crum
1%

STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 3

WINNER
REPUBLICAN



Ron Gould
56%

DEMOCRAT
Mary Landahl
44%

STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 3

WINNERS

REPUBLICAN

REPUBLICAN



Nancy McLain
39%



Doris Goodale
35%

DEMOCRAT
Pamela Durbin
26%

SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE WINNER



Rick Williams
68%

Randolph Wolfson
31%

CORPORATION COMMISSIONER

WINNERS
DEMOCRAT

Sandra Kennedy
18%

DEMOCRAT

Paul Newman
18%

REPUBLICAN

Bob Stump
16%

KUSD BOARD WINNERS

Terri McMullen
Patrick Carlin

NACFD BOARD WINNERS

Jim Baily
Michael Collins
Erik Berg

QUESTIONS MCC Bond

YES.....43%

NO.....57%

KUSD JTED

YES.....69%

NO.....31%

PROPOSITIONS

Prop. 100

Real Property

YES.....77%

NO.....23%

Prop. 101

Health Care

YES.....50%

NO.....50%

Prop. 102

Marriage

YES.....56%

NO.....44%

Prop. 105

Majority Rule

YES.....34%

NO.....66%

Prop. 200

Payday Loans

YES.....40%

NO.....60%

Prop. 201

Homeowners

YES.....21%

NO.....79%

Prop. 202

Employment

YES.....40%

NO.....60%

Prop. 300

Legislator Raises

YES.....36%

NO.....64%
79% reported

UNCONTESTED WINNERS

County Attorney
Matt Smith

County Sheriff
Tom Sheahan

County Treasurer
Melissa Havatone

County Assessor
Ron Nicholson

County School Superintendent
Michael File

County Recorder
Carol Meier

MCC Board Dist. 5
Jerry Ambrose

All results unofficial

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