### Vote NO!

#### Tuesday March 21st

**Say NO!** to Downers Grove being the first town in 20 years to give away the privileges of Home Rule!

**Say NO!** to closings at your Library. A **NO! VOTE** will stop the Library from losing \$300,000 or more of its budget. Drastic cut backs will be necessary.

**Say NO!** to higher crime and longer response times. A **NO! VOTE** will protect our excellent Police & Fire Departments emergency services.

**Say NO!** to out of control development. A **NO! VOTE** keeps Downers Grove residents in control of Downers Grove's future building and tear downs.

**Say NO!** to Springfield. A **NO! VOTE** keeps local control over local issues.

#### Don't pay more for less services!

The few towns that have given away their Home Rule powers have paid for that decision with higher property taxes and limited power over their quality of life. Of the 176 Home Rule towns, only 4 have rejected it and that was over 20 years ago! Downers Grove has had Home Rule for 35 years for good reasons.

The three towns in our area that chose not to be home rule have lower property values and higher property taxes, while services to citizens have diminished.

Keep Property Taxes Low!

### Keep Taxes Low Vote NO!

## Taxes Are Higher Without Home Rule:

Statistics from sold MLS properties last 90 days '05

Lisle: \$4,300\*

\*Average property tax for a \$315,000 Home

Avg. 4 BDR, 2½ Bath Home

\$424,0000 sold price

Property Taxes:

\$6,800

Rockford: \$6,700\*



\*Average property tax for a \$315,000 Home

Avg. 4 BDR, 2½ Bath Home

\$218,000 sold price

Property Taxes:

\$5,753

# With Home Rule Our Taxes Are Lower!

### Downers Grove: \$3,400\*



\*Average property tax for a \$315,000 Home

Avg. 4 BDR, 2½ Bath Home

\$480,000 sold price

Property Taxes:

\$4,600

## DCA

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