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Ban semi-trailers in the Acreage

As residents of the Acreage for more than 30 years, we oppose a code change to allow semi-trucks in the Acreage. The Acreage is a residential-agricultural community and semi-trucks are an industrial use. We support small business and the use of your home as a home office should be encouraged. However, semi-trucks are loud, destructive and not meant for our community nor our roads.

The Acreage dirt roads cannot support these types of vehicles. The roads are already a mess and poorly maintained and allowing semi-trucks and dump trucks to travel these roads daily will only diminish the roads further. In addition to the destruction it will cause to the roads, there is also the potential to cause destruction to our property values, safety concerns, and blight to our community.

We ask the Palm Beach County Commission to not pass the second reading of an ordinance to allow these vehicles within our community. While the term of a rural community for the Acreage is no longer accurate, we certainly do not want the term 'industrial community.'

Todd and Christine Wax, West Palm Beach

Women can't sit out 2024 elections

In 1974, I was 18. Women's rights were being violated, just like today. I voted and continue to in every election because your vote is a number and it counts. If you sit home and let men decide when you can have a family and what your doctor says about your health doesn't matter, you are not living in a free society. Read about who represents you, what district you are in.

If they are in Washington look up their votes, then decide what aligns with your beliefs. Check your voter registration and vote because if you don't you will see your opinion does not matter.

Deborah Meyer, Lake Worth

Question 'Big Sugar' candidates

Kudos to The Palm Beach Post Editorial Board for their recent pledge to hold candidates seeking the newspaper's endorsement to a higher standard. Based on the paper's continuing coverage of the influence of Big Sugar on our state's politicians, an opportunity exists to also limit endorsements to those candidates who take a stand and forego financial contributions from entities like Big Sugar.

These firms continue to defy logic and deny responsibility for pollution of our air from sugar cane burning as well as the recurring fouling of estuaries and rivers linked to Lake Okeechobee and the Everglades.

The time has come for our elected officials to discontinue giving cover to bad actors. The Post's endorsement can be an effective change agent to fight bad policy on many fronts.

Jody Young, Wellington

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