

This Blue State Is 'in Play' for Trump

Illinois may be the Land of Lincoln and the birthplace of the Republican Party, but it's been about as blue a state as it can be—thanks in large part to the infamous “Chicago Machine.”

But according to a super PAC operating in the state, Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump actually has a legitimate shot at winning it in the November election—if the state's GOP leadership would get out of the way. Gov. Bruce Rauner and U.S. Sen. Mark Kirk—both Republicans—have been attacking the Republican presidential nominee for weeks, including in a recent Spanish-language-only ad.

Now, the Never Hillary PAC released the following statement through its chairman, William Kelly, about the electoral issues in Illinois:

Gov. Rauner and Sen. Kirk have revealed their true traitorous colors in refusing to support Donald J. Trump, our GOP nominee for President. Trump won the Illinois primary with 39 percent in a four-way race and yet Rauner and Kirk continue to disrespect the voters. The latest poll shows only a small six-point gap between Trump and Clinton. That puts Illinois—Obama's home state—in play for the GOP, but not if Rauner and Kirk have their way.

Illinois voters are fed-up with this rigged political system and they now know what side these cowardly little pukes are on: the wrong side. Rauner and Kirk still refuse to criticize or condemn Crooked Hillary Clinton.

In 2015, I busted the campaign finance caps in the Chicago mayor's race, forcing Rahm Emanuel into a historic run-off election. I was happy to do it because Chicago deserves better. But Rauner and Kirk actually endorsed Rahm

"Deadfish" Emanuel for Mayor twice.

Voters will remember what Kirk and Rauner have done this November and beyond. Gov. Rauner has written off Illinois GOP candidates up and down the ticket. But Never Hillary PAC will not let Gov. Rauner give up the Illinois ground game. We will step up where he has backed down.

Never Hillary PAC is raising \$2.5 million in the next 42 days to run ads in Illinois and other states where establishment GOP leaders have turned their back on Donald Trump and his supporters.