

PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, the constitutional actions taken by the Texas House of Representatives on May 9, 2023, as reflected in the adoption of House Resolution No. 1542, have caused a vacancy to exist in Texas State House of Representatives District No. 2, which consists of Hopkins, Hunt, and Van Zandt Counties; and

WHEREAS, a special election to fill the vacancy in Texas State House of Representatives District No. 2 was held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, and the results of that special election have been officially declared; and

WHEREAS, no candidate in the special election received a majority of the votes cast, as required by Section 203.003 of the Texas Election Code; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.021 of the Texas Election Code requires that a runoff election be held if no candidate receives the votes necessary to be elected; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.025(d) of the Texas Election Code provides that a runoff election for a special election to fill a vacancy in the legislature must be held not earlier than the 70th day or later than the 77th day after the date the final canvass of the main election is completed; and

WHEREAS, Section 3.003(a)(3) of the Texas Election Code requires a special runoff election to be ordered by proclamation of the governor;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of Texas, under the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Statutes of the State of Texas, do hereby order a special runoff election to be held in Texas State House of Representatives District No. 2 on Tuesday, January 30, 2024, for the purpose of electing a state representative to serve out the unexpired term of Mr. Bryan Slaton.

Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on Monday, January 22, 2024, in accordance with Sections 85.001(b) and (c) of the Texas Election Code.

A copy of this order shall be mailed immediately to the county judges of all counties contained within Texas State House of Representatives District No. 2, and all appropriate writs shall be issued and all proper proceedings shall be followed to the end so that said runoff election may be held to fill the vacancy in Texas State House of Representatives District No. 2 and its result proclaimed in accordance with law.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 20th day of November, 2023.

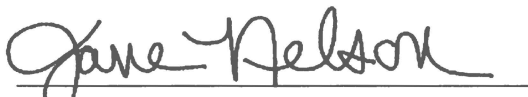
GREG ABBOTT
Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Greg Abbott", written over a horizontal line.

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SECRETARY OF STATE
1:00pm O'CLOCK

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ATTESTED BY:



JANE NELSON
Secretary of State

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