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Coby Shorter, III
Secretary of State

Dear Mr. Deputy Secretary:

Pursuant to Section 3.003 of the Texas Election Code, Governor Greg Abbott has issued the following proclamation:

Ordering a runoff special election to be held in Texas House of Representatives District No. 118 on Tuesday, January 26, 2016, for the purpose of electing a state representative to serve the remainder of the term of the Honorable Joe Farias..

The original of this proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "GSD" followed by a long horizontal line.

Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Attachment

PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, A vacancy now exists in the membership of the Texas House of Representatives in District No. 118, which consists of a part of Bexar County; and

WHEREAS, the results of a special election held on Tuesday, November 3, 2015 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 2.025(d) of the Texas Election Code requires a special runoff election to be held not earlier than the 70th or later than the 77th day after the date the final canvass is completed; and

WHEREAS, the final canvass occurred on November 13, 2015; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of Texas, do hereby order a special election to be held in House District No. 118 on Tuesday, January 26, 2016, for the purpose of electing a state representative to serve the remainder of the term of The Honorable Joe Farias.

Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on Monday, January 18, 2016 and shall end on Friday, January 22, 2016, in accordance with Section 85.001 of the Texas Election Code.

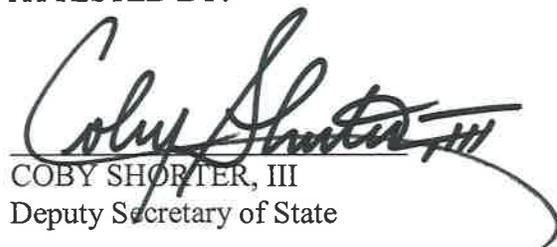
A copy of this order shall be mailed immediately to the County Judge of Bexar County, and all appropriate writs will be issued and all proper proceedings will be followed for the purpose that said election may be held to fill the vacancy in District No. 118, and its result proclaimed in accordance with law.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto 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 13th day of November, 2015.


GREG ABBOTT
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:


COBY SHORTER, III
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