



STATE OF TEXAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

March 4, 2015

Coby Shorter, III
Deputy Secretary of State
State Capitol Room 1E.8
Austin, Texas 78701

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SECRETARY OF STATE
4 PM O'CLOCK

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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 special election to be held in House District No. 124 on Tuesday, March 31, 2015, for the purpose of electing a state representative to serve the remainder of term of The Honorable José Menéndez.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory S. Davidson

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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, The Honorable José Menéndez has been elected to serve as state senator in District No. 26 and has taken the oath for said office resulting in a vacancy in Texas House District No. 124, which consists of a part of Bexar County; and

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 13 of the Texas Constitution and Section 203.002 of the Texas Election Code require that a special election be ordered upon such a vacancy; and

WHEREAS, the vacancy has occurred during a regular session of the legislature and more than 25 days before the last possible day of session, and therefore, pursuant to Section 203.013(c) of the Texas Election Code, the special election must be held on a Tuesday or Saturday occurring no earlier than the 21st day or later than the 45th day after the date the special election is ordered; and

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

WHEREAS, Tuesday, March 31, 2015, is an appropriate election date under Section 203.013(c) of the Texas Election Code, occurring after the date the special election is ordered;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of Texas, do hereby order a special election to be held in House District No. 124 on Tuesday, March 31, 2015, for the purpose of electing a state representative to serve the remainder of the term of The Honorable José Menéndez.

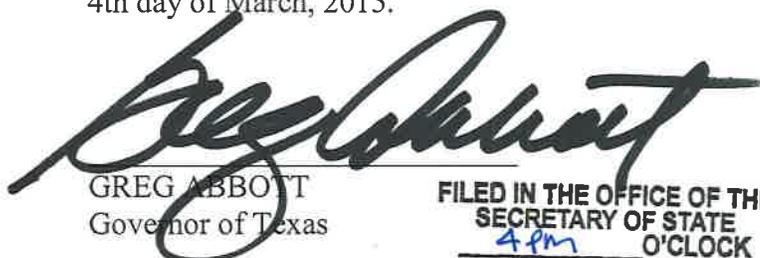
Candidates who wish to have their names placed on the special election ballot must file their applications with the secretary of state no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10, 2015, in accordance with Section 203.013(d) of the Texas Election Code.

Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on Monday, March 23, 2015, 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. 124 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 4th day of March, 2015.


GREG ABBOTT
Governor of Texas

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ATTESTED BY:


COBY SHORTER, III
Deputy Secretary of State

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