



GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

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Secretary of State

The Honorable Ruth R. Hughs
Secretary of State
State Capitol Room 1E.8
Austin, Texas 78701

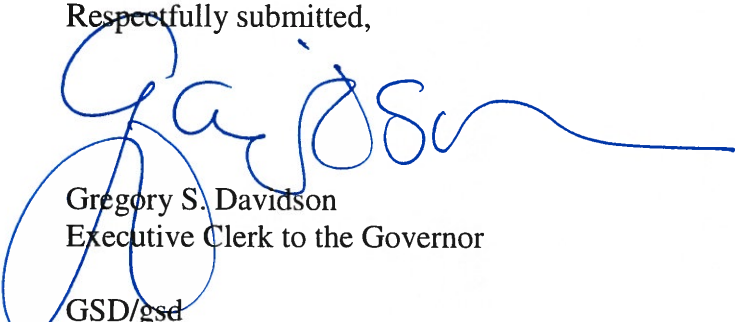
Dear Madam Secretary:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

A proclamation ordering a special runoff election to be held in Texas State House of Representatives District No. 148 on Tuesday, January 28, 2020, for the purpose of electing a state representative to serve out the unexpired term of the Honorable Jessica Farrar.

The original proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


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, the resignation of the Honorable Jessica Farrar, and its acceptance, has caused a vacancy to exist in Texas State House of Representatives District No. 148, which is wholly contained within Harris County; and

WHEREAS, a special election to fill the vacancy in House District No. 148 was held on Tuesday, November 5, 2019, 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

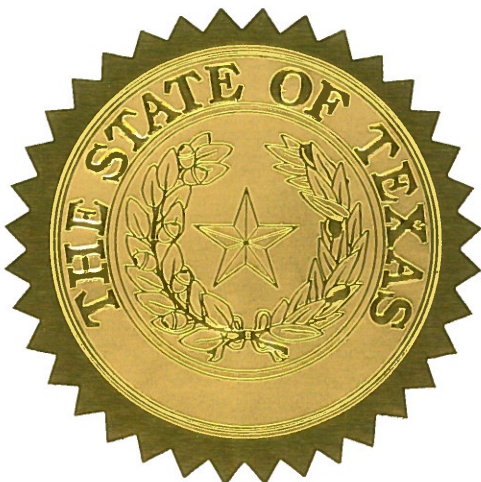
WHEREAS, Section 2.025(d) of the Texas Election Code provides that the runoff election must be held not earlier than the 70th day or later than the 77th day after the date the final canvass of the main election is completed; and

WHEREAS, Section 3.003(a)(3) of the Texas Election Code requires the 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. 148 on Tuesday, January 28, 2020, for the purpose of electing a state representative to serve out the unexpired term of the Honorable Jessica Farrar.

Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on Tuesday, January 21, 2020, 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 Harris County Judge which is the county within which Texas State House of Representatives District No. 148 is wholly contained, and all appropriate writs shall be issued and all proper proceedings shall be followed to the end that said special runoff election may be held to fill the vacancy in Texas State House of Representatives District No. 148 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 16th day of November, 2019.


GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. H. HUGHS', written over a horizontal line.

RUTH R. HUGHS
Secretary of State