



GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

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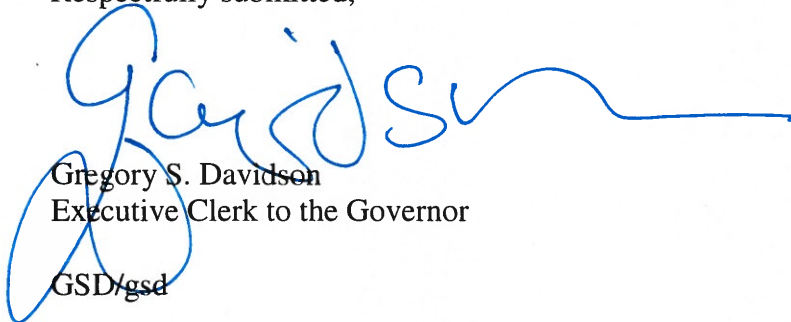
Dear Madam Secretary:

Pursuant to his powers as governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has received the following:

A letter from the Honorable Jessica Farrar notifying the governor of her resignation from the Texas State House of Representatives District No. 148, which is wholly contained within Harris County.

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

Respectfully submitted,

  
Gregory S. Davidson  
Executive Clerk to the Governor  
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Attachment

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Hon. Greg Abbott  
Governor, State of Texas  
P.O. Box 78711  
Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Governor Abbott:

The purpose of this letter is to notify your office of my retirement from the Legislature effective at 5:00 p.m. on September 30, 2019. I profoundly appreciate the opportunity and privilege of serving the constituents of House District 148 and the people of Texas these last 25 years.

To ensure a robust voter turnout at the least taxpayer expense in the special election to elect the next state representative for House District 148, I respectfully ask that the special election be held on November 5, 2019, concurrent with municipal elections held the same day.

Thank you for your consideration and attention in this matter.

Respectfully,

Jessica Farrar  
State Representative, District 148




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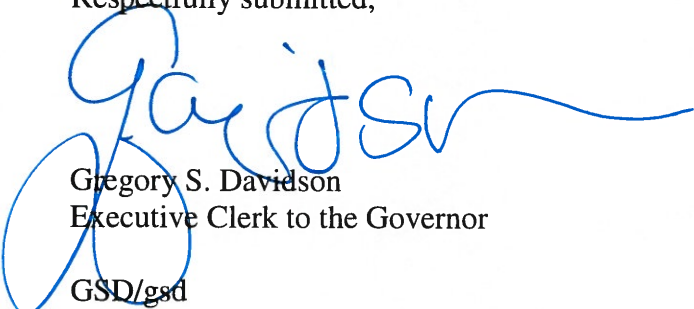
Dear Madam Secretary:

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

A proclamation ordering a special election to be held in Texas State House of Representatives District No. 148 on Tuesday, November 5, 2019, 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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# PROCLAMATION

BY THE

## Governor of the State of Texas

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**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, 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 Section 3.003 of the Texas Election Code requires the special election to be ordered by proclamation of the Governor; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 203.004(a) of the Texas Election Code, the special election must be held on the first uniform date occurring on or after the 36th day after the date the election is ordered; and

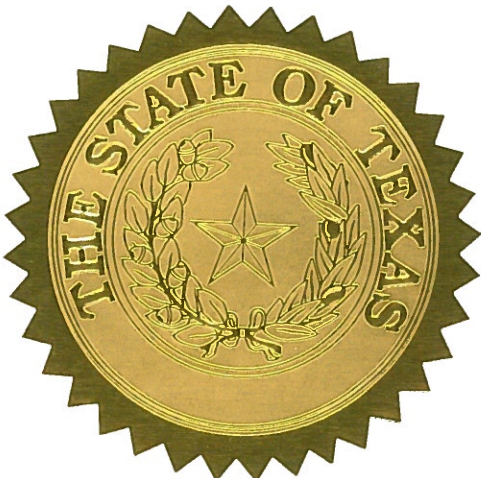
WHEREAS, Tuesday, November 5, 2019, is the first uniform election date, occurring on or after the 36th day after the date the election is ordered;

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 election to be held in Texas State House of Representatives District No. 148 on Tuesday, November 5, 2019, for the purpose of electing a state representative to serve out the unexpired term of the Honorable Jessica Farrar.

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 Wednesday, September 4, 2019, in accordance with Section 201.054(a)(1) of the Texas Election Code.

Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on Monday, October 21, 2019, in accordance with Section 85.001(a) 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 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 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 19th day of August, 2019.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT  
Governor of Texas

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ATTESTED BY:

  
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