




GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

February 16, 2022

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SECRETARY OF STATE

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Secretary of State

The Honorable John B. Scott  
Secretary of State  
State Capitol Room 1E.8  
Austin, Texas 78701

Dear Mr. 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 throughout the State of Texas on Saturday, May 7, 2022, for the purpose of adopting or rejecting the two constitutional amendments proposed by two joint resolutions, as submitted by the 87th Texas Legislature, Second Called Session, and the 87th Texas Legislature, Third Called Session, of the State of Texas.

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**

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TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, the 87th Texas Legislature, Second Called Session, convened in August of 2021 and the 87th Texas Legislature, Third Called Session, convened in September of 2021 in accordance with Article III, Sections 5 and 40, and Article IV, Section 8, of the Texas Constitution; and

WHEREAS, during those special sessions, the Legislature approved two joint resolutions proposing two particular constitutional amendments by a vote of two-thirds of all the members of each house, pursuant to Article XVII, Section 1, of the Texas Constitution; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms of those resolutions and in accordance with the Texas Constitution, the Legislature has set the date of the election for voting on the two proposed constitutional amendments to be May 7, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Section 3.003 of the Texas Election Code requires the election to be ordered by proclamation of the governor;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Statutes of the State of Texas, do hereby order a special election to be held throughout the State of Texas on the FIRST SATURDAY IN MAY, the same being the SEVENTH day of MAY, 2022; and

NOTICE THEREOF IS HEREBY GIVEN to the COUNTY JUDGE of each county, who is directed to cause said election to be held in the county on such date for the purpose of adopting or rejecting the two constitutional amendments proposed by two joint resolutions, as submitted by the 87th Texas Legislature, Second Called Session, and the 87th Texas Legislature, Third Called Session, of the State of Texas.

Pursuant to Sections 52.095, 274.001, and 274.002 of the Texas Election Code, the propositions for the joint resolutions will appear as follows:

**STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 1**

“The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for the reduction of the amount of a limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for general elementary and secondary public school purposes on the residence homestead of a person who is elderly or disabled to reflect any statutory reduction from the preceding tax year in the maximum compressed rate of the maintenance and operations taxes imposed for those purposes on the homestead.”

**STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 2**

“The constitutional amendment increasing the amount of the residence homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation for public school purposes from \$25,000 to \$40,000.”

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The secretary of state shall take notice of this proclamation and shall immediately mail a copy of this order to every county judge of this state, and all appropriate writs will be issued, and all proper proceedings will be followed, to the end that said election may be held 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 16th day of February, 2022.

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

GREG ABBOTT  
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John B. Scott".

JOHN B. SCOTT  
Secretary of State

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