October 11, 2021

Mr. Joe A. Esparza
Deputy Secretary of State
State Capitol Room 1E.8
Austin, Texas 78701

Dear Mr. Deputy 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. 118 on Tuesday, November 2, 2021, for the purpose of electing a state representative to serve out the unexpired term of the Honorable Leo Pacheco.

The original proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

Attachment
TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, the resignation of the Honorable Leo Pacheco, and its acceptance, has caused a vacancy to exist in Texas State House of Representatives District No. 118, which is wholly contained within Bexar County; and

WHEREAS, an expedited special election to fill the vacancy in Texas State House of Representatives District No. 118 was held on Tuesday, September 28, 2021, 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 203.013(e) of the Texas Election Code provides that the runoff election must be held on a Tuesday or Saturday occurring not earlier than the 12th day or later than the 25th day after the date the election is ordered; and

WHEREAS, Section 3.003(a)(3) of the Texas Election Code requires a 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. 118 on Tuesday, November 2, 2021, for the purpose of electing a state representative to serve out the unexpired term of the Honorable Leo Pacheco.

Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on Monday, October 18, 2021, in accordance with Section 85.001 of the Texas Election Code.

A copy of this order shall be mailed immediately to the Bexar County Judge, which is the county within which Texas State House of Representatives District No. 118 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. 118 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 11th day of October, 2021.

GREG ABBOTT
Governor
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ATTESTED BY:

JOE A. ESPARZA
Deputy Secretary of State