

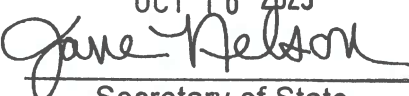


GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

October 16, 2025

The Honorable Jane Nelson
Secretary of State
State Capitol, Room 1E.8
Austin, Texas 78701

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TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE
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Secretary of State

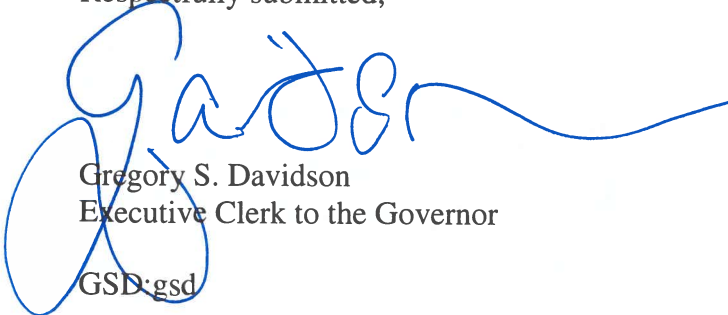
Dear Secretary Nelson:

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 Senate District No. 4 on Saturday, May 2, 2026, for the purpose of electing a State Senator to serve out the unexpired term of the Honorable Brandon Creighton.

The original proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,



Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor
GSD:gsd

Attachment

PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, the resignation of the Honorable Brandon Creighton, and its acceptance, have caused a vacancy in the Texas Senate for Senate District No. 4, which consists of Chambers County, and portions of Galveston, Harris, Jefferson, and Montgomery Counties; and

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 13(a) 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, Section 3.003(a)(3) and (b) of the Texas Election Code requires the special election to be ordered by proclamation of the governor; and

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 41.001(a)(2) of the Texas Election Code, the first uniform election date occurring on or after the 36th day after the date the special election is ordered is Saturday, May 2, 2026;

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 Senate District No. 4 on Saturday, May 2, 2026, for the purpose of electing a State Senator for Senate District No. 4 to serve out the unexpired term of the Honorable Brandon Creighton.

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 3, 2026, in accordance with Sections 1.006 and 201.054(a)(1) of the Texas Election Code.

Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on Monday, April 20, 2026, and end on Tuesday, April 28, 2026, in accordance with Section 85.001(e) of the Texas Election Code.

A copy of this order shall be mailed immediately to the county judges who preside over all counties wholly or partially contained within Texas Senate District No. 4, and all appropriate writs shall be issued, and all proper proceedings shall be followed to the end that said special election may be held to fill the vacancy in Texas Senate District No. 4 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 October, 2025.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Greg Abbott", written over a horizontal line.

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

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ATTESTED BY:


JANE NELSON
Secretary of State