

GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

November 7, 2023

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

Dear Secretary Nelson:

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

A proclamation calling an extraordinary session of the 88th Legislature to convene in the City of Austin on Tuesday, November 7, 2023.

The original proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory Davidson

Executive Clerk to the Governor GSD:gsd

Attachment

## **PROCLAMATION** BY THE BY THE GOVERNMENT OF the State of Texas

## TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, by the authority vested in me by Article III, Sections 5 and 40, and Article IV, Section 8, of the Texas Constitution, do hereby call the fourth extraordinary session of the 88th Legislature, to convene in the City of Austin, commencing at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, for the following purposes:

To consider and act upon the following:

Legislation relating to primary and secondary education, including the establishment of an education savings account program, the certification, compensation, and health coverage of certain public school employees, the public school finance system, special education in public schools, measures to support the education of public school students that include certain educational grant programs, reading instruction, and early childhood education, the provision of virtual education, and public school accountability.

Legislation related to school safety measures and related state funding mechanisms.

Legislation to do more to reduce illegal immigration by creating criminal offenses for illegal entry into this state from a foreign nation and illegal reentry or presence following denial of admission, exclusion, deportation, or removal; authorizing the removal of illegal immigrants from Texas; and providing indemnification and immunity for public officials, employees, or contractors in connection with the foregoing.

Legislation to impede illegal entry into Texas by providing more funding for the construction, operation, and maintenance of border barrier infrastructure, and additional funding for the Department of Public Safety for border security operations, including additional overtime expenses and costs due to an increased law enforcement presence to preserve public safety and security in the Colony Ridge development in Liberty County, Texas.

The Secretary of State will take notice of this action and will notify the members of the legislature of my action.



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 7th day of November, 2023.

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GREG ABBOTT Governor

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Attested by:

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JANE NELSON Secretary of State

