

GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

September 14, 2021

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

Dear Mr. Deputy Secretary:

Secretary of State

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. 10 on Tuesday, September 28, 2021, for the purpose of electing a state representative to serve out the unexpired term of the Honorable Jake Ellzey.

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

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, the Honorable Jake Ellzey, in taking the Oath of Office as U.S. Representative for Congressional District 6, has caused a vacancy to exist in Texas State House of Representatives District No. 10, which consists of Ellis County and part of Henderson County; and

WHEREAS, an expedited special election to fill the vacancy in Texas State House of Representatives District No. 10 was held on Tuesday, August 31, 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. 10 on Tuesday, September 28, 2021, for the purpose of electing a state representative to serve out the unexpired term of the Honorable Jake Ellzey.

Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on Monday, September 20, 2021, in accordance with Sections 85.001(b) and (c) of the Texas Election Code.

A copy of this order shall be mailed immediately to the County Judges of all counties contained within Texas State House of Representatives District No. 10, 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. 10 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 14th day of September, 2021.

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GREG ABBOTT
Governor

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

4 00 O'CLOCK

ATTESTED BY:

Deputy Secretary of State