

ORDER OF SPECIAL ELECTION

(ORDEN DE ELECCION ESPECIAL)

(For Governor-Ordered or County-Ordered Measure Elections)
(Para órdenes de gobernador u ordenes de condado sobre elecciones medidas)

An election is hereby ordered to be held on November 7, 2023, in Houston County, Texas per Proclamation by the Governor for voting on the proposed Constitutional Amendments listed in the attached appendix(s) submitted by the 88th Legislature, Regular and 2nd Special Session, of the State of Texas.

(Por la presente se ordena celebre una elección el 7 de noviembre de 2023 en el Condado de Houston, Texas, según la Proclamación del Gobernador con el propósito de votar sobre las Enmiendas Constitucionales propuestas enumeradas en los apéndices adjuntos presentados por la 88^a Legislatura, Sesión Ordinaria y 2^a Sesión Especial, del Estado de Texas.)

Early Voting by personal appearance will be conducted beginning on Monday, October 23, 2023, and ending on Friday, November 3, 2023, at:

(La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo a partir del lunes 23 de octubre de 2023 y finalizará el viernes 3 de noviembre de 2023 en:)

Main Early Voting Location	Houston County Senior Citizen Center	716 W. Wells, Crockett
sitio principal de votación adelantada	<i>Centro de los Jubilados condado de Houston</i>	<i>716 W. Wells, Crockett</i>

Hours of operation will be Monday through Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. with extended hours on Thursday, November 2, through Friday, November 3, 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

(El horario de atención será de lunes a sábado de 9:00 a.m. a 6:00 p.m. con horario extendido del jueves 2 de noviembre al viernes 3 de noviembre de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m.)

Last day to register to vote is October 8, 2023.

(El último día para registrarse para votar es el 8 de octubre de 2023.)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán enviarse a:)

Houston County Early Voting Clerk

(Secretario de la votación adelantada del condado de Houston)

Cynthia Lum, Elections Administrator (Administradora de las Elecciones)
401 East Goliad Avenue
Crockett, TX 75835

Fax: 936-544-0189

Email: clum@co.houston.tx.us

www.co.houston.tx.us/page/houston.Elections

Applications for Ballot by Mail (ABBM) and Federal Postcard Applications (FPCA), must be received no later than the close of business on October 27, 2023.

(Las solicitudes de boleta por correo (ABBM) y la tarjeta federal postal de Solicitud (FPCA) deberán recibirse más tardar de las horas de negocio el 27 de octubre del 2023.)

Note: If ABBM is faxed or emailed or if an FPCA is faxed; the original application must be received within 4 business days.

(Si ABBM se envía por fax o correo electrónico o si se envía por fax una FPCA; La solicitud original debe ser recibida dentro de los 4 días hábiles.)

Issued this 22nd day of August, 2023.

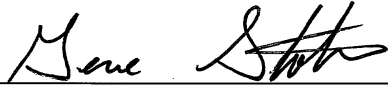
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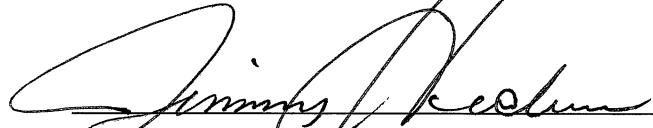
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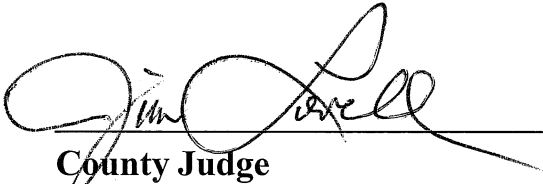
County Commissioner Precinct 2
(Comisionado del Condado Precinto 2)



County Commissioner Precinct 3
(Comisionado del Condado Precinto 3)



County Commissioner Precinct 4
(Comisionado del Condado Precinto 4)



County Judge
(Juez del Condado)

PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, the 88th Regular Session of the Texas Legislature convened in January 2023 in accordance with Article III, Section 5, of the Texas Constitution and Section 301.001 of the Texas Government Code; and

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

WHEREAS, the 88th Texas Legislature, Second Special Session, convened in June 2023 in accordance with Article III, Sections 5 and 40, and Article IV, Section 8, of the Texas Constitution; and

WHEREAS, during that special session, the Legislature approved one joint resolution proposing one particular constitutional amendment by a vote of two-thirds of all 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 fourteen proposed constitutional amendments to be November 7, 2023; 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 TUESDAY AFTER THE FIRST MONDAY IN NOVEMBER**, the same being the **SEVENTH** day of **NOVEMBER**, 2023.

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 fourteen constitutional amendments proposed by fourteen joint resolutions, as submitted by the 88th Texas Legislature, Regular Session, and the 88th Texas Legislature, Second 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 protecting the right to engage in farming, ranching, timber production, horticulture, and wildlife management.”

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 2

“The constitutional amendment authorizing a local option exemption from ad valorem taxation by a county or municipality of all or part of the appraised value of real property used to operate a child-care facility.”

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STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 3

“The constitutional amendment prohibiting the imposition of an individual wealth or net worth tax, including a tax on the difference between the assets and liabilities of an individual or family.”

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 4

“The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to establish a temporary limit on the maximum appraised value of real property other than a residence homestead for ad valorem tax purposes; to increase the amount of the exemption from ad valorem taxation by a school district applicable to residence homesteads from \$40,000 to \$100,000; to adjust the amount of the limitation on school district ad valorem taxes imposed on the residence homesteads of the elderly or disabled to reflect increases in certain exemption amounts; to except certain appropriations to pay for ad valorem tax relief from the constitutional limitation on the rate of growth of appropriations; and to authorize the legislature to provide for a four-year term of office for a member of the board of directors of certain appraisal districts.”

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 5

“The constitutional amendment relating to the Texas University Fund, which provides funding to certain institutions of higher education to achieve national prominence as major research universities and drive the state economy.”

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 6

“The constitutional amendment creating the Texas water fund to assist in financing water projects in this state.”

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 7

“The constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the Texas energy fund to support the construction, maintenance, modernization, and operation of electric generating facilities.”

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 8

“The constitutional amendment creating the broadband infrastructure fund to expand high-speed broadband access and assist in the financing of connectivity projects.”

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 9

“The constitutional amendment authorizing the 88th Legislature to provide a cost-of-living adjustment to certain annuitants of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas.”

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 10

“The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation equipment or inventory held by a manufacturer of medical or biomedical products to protect the Texas healthcare network and strengthen our medical supply chain.”

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 11

“The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit conservation and reclamation districts in El Paso County to issue bonds supported by ad valorem taxes to fund the development and maintenance of parks and recreational facilities.”

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 12

“The constitutional amendment providing for the abolition of the office of county treasurer in Galveston County.”

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 13

“The constitutional amendment to increase the mandatory age of retirement for state justices and judges.”

STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 14

“The constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the centennial parks conservation fund to be used for the creation and improvement of state parks.”

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 9th day of August, 2023.

Handwritten signature of Greg Abbott in black ink.

GREG ABBOTT
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

Handwritten signature of Jane Nelson in black ink.

JANE NELSON
Secretary of State

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