

**ORDER OF SPECIAL ELECTION**  
**(ORDEN DE ELECCIÓN ESPECIAL)**

An election is hereby ordered to be held on **Tuesday, November 7, 2023** for the purpose of voting in a special election to:

*(Por la presente se ordena que se lleve a cabo una elección el **martes 7 de noviembre de 2023** con el propósito de votar en una elección especial para:)*

“to adopt or reject the proposed Constitutional Amendments as submitted by the 88<sup>th</sup> Legislature, Regular Session, of the State of Texas and the 88<sup>th</sup> Legislature, Second Special Session, of the State of Texas.”

*(“adoptar o rechazar las enmiendas a la constitución propuestas tal como fueron presentadas por la 88<sup>o</sup> Legislatura, Sesión regular, del Estado de Texas, y la 88<sup>o</sup> Legislatura, Segunda Sesión Especial del Estado de Texas.”)*

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List Offices/Propositions/Measures on the ballot *(Enúmere los puestos/proposiciones/medidas oficiales en la boleta)*

See attached list of 14 Constitutional Amendments. *(Ver la lista adjunta de las 14 enmiendas constitucionales)*

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the locations listed in Exhibit A.

*(La votación anticipada en persona se llevará a cabo cada día de la semana en los lugares indicados en el Anexo A.)*

The Main Early Voting Location *(sitio principal de votación anticipada)*

1308 Crickets Ave, Public Room *(1308 avenida Crickets, Salon Público)*

Lubbock, TX 79401

Hours (horas)

8:00 am-8:00 pm except Sunday, 12:00 pm - 6:00 pm *(8:00 am-8:00 pm menos domingo, 12:00 pm – 6:00 pm)*

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekend at the locations listed in Exhibit A:

*(La votación anticipada en persona se llevará a cabo cada fin de semana en los lugares indicados en el Anexo A.)*

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Hours (horas)

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Applications for ballot by mail shall be sent to the Early Voting Clerk at:

*(Las solicitudes para boleta que se votarán anticipada por correo deberán enviarse a la Secretaria de la Votación Anticipada a:)*

Roxzine Stinson

Elections Administrator

P. O. Box 10536

Lubbock, Texas 79408

The Early Voting Clerk may receive delivery by common or contract carrier at:

*(La Secretaria de la Votación Anticipada puede recibir la entrega por medio transportista común o contratado a:)*

1308 Crickets Avenue

Lubbock, Texas 79401

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on October 27, 2023.

*(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán anticipada por correo deberán recibirse a más tardar al cierre de operaciones de negocio el 27 de octubre de 2023.)*

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Prescribed by Secretary of State  
Sections 3.004, 3.006, 83.010, 85.004, 85.007, Texas Election Code  
11/2021

Federal postcard applications must be received no later than the close of business on October 27, 2023.  
(*Las solicitudes federales de tarjeta postales deberán recibirse a más tardar al cierre de operaciones de negocio el 27 de octubre de 2023.*)

Additional contact information for the office of the Early Voting Clerk is:  
(*La información de contacto adicional para la Secretaria de la Votación Anticipada es:*)  
Phone: 806-775-1338  
Email: [votelubbock@lubbockcounty.gov](mailto:votelubbock@lubbockcounty.gov)  
Website: [www.votelubbock.org](http://www.votelubbock.org)

Issued this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023  
(*Emitada este día \_\_\_\_\_ de \_\_\_\_\_ de 2023*)

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Signature of County Judge  
*Firma del Juez del Condado*

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County Commissioner, Pct. 1  
*Comisionado del Condado, Pct. 1*

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County Commissioner, Pct. 3  
*Comisionado del Condado, Pct. 3*

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County Commissioner, Pct. 2  
*Comisionado del Condado, Pct. 2*

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County Commissioner, Pct. 4  
*Comisionado del Condado, Pct. 4*

**Ballot Language for the November 7, 2023  
Constitutional Amendment Election**

**Proposition 1 - HJR 126**

"The constitutional amendment protecting the right to engage in farming, ranching, timber production, horticulture, and wildlife management."

**Proposition 2 - SJR 64**

"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."

**Proposition 3 - HJR 132**

"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."

**Proposition 4 - HJR 2 (2nd Special Session)**

"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."

**Proposition 5 - HJR 3**

"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."

**Proposition 6 - SJR 75**

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

**Proposition 7 - SJR 93**

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

**Proposition 8 - HJR 125**

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

**Proposition 9 - HJR 2**

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

**Proposition 10 - SJR 87**

"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."

**Proposition 11 - SJR 32**

"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."

**Proposition 12 - HJR 134**

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

**Proposition 13 - HJR 107**

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

**Proposition 14 - SJR 74**

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

**Notas aclaratorias para el 7 de noviembre de 2023**  
**Elección sobre enmienda constitucional**

**Número de propuesta 1 - HJR 126**

“La enmienda constitucional que protege el derecho a dedicarse a la agricultura, la ganadería, la producción de madera, la horticultura y la gestión de la vida silvestre”.

**Número de propuesta 2 - SJR 64**

“La enmienda constitucional que autoriza una exención opcional a nivel local de impuestos ad valorem por un condado o municipio sobre la totalidad o parte del valor tasado de los bienes inmuebles utilizados para operar una instalación de cuidado infantil”.

**Número de propuesta 3 - HJR 132**

“La enmienda constitucional que prohíbe la aplicación de un impuesto sobre la riqueza o el patrimonio neto individual, lo que incluye un impuesto basado en la diferencia entre los activos y pasivos de una persona o familia”.

**Número de propuesta 4 - HJR 2 (Segunda Sesión Especial)**

"La enmienda constitucional para autorizar a la legislatura a establecer un límite temporal sobre el valor máximo de tasación de los bienes inmuebles que no sean residencias familiares a efectos de impuestos ad valorem; a aumentar el monto de la exención de impuestos ad valorem por un distrito escolar aplicable a las residencias familiares de \$40,000 a \$100,000; a ajustar el monto de la limitación de los impuestos ad valorem del distrito escolar aplicados a las residencias familiares de personas mayores o discapacitadas para reflejar los aumentos en ciertos montos de exención; a exceptuar ciertas asignaciones de pagar para el alivio del impuesto ad valorem de la limitación constitucional sobre la tasa de crecimiento de las asignaciones; y a autorizar a la legislatura a prever un mandato de cuatro años de cargo para un miembro de la junta directiva de ciertos distritos de tasación".

**Número de propuesta 5 - HJR 3**

“La enmienda constitucional relacionada con el Fondo Universitario de Texas (Texas University Fund), que establece financiamiento para ciertas instituciones de educación superior con el fin de lograr renombre nacional como importantes universidades de investigación e impulsar la economía estatal”.

**Número de propuesta 6 - SJR 75**

“La enmienda constitucional que crea el fondo de agua de Texas con el fin de facilitar el financiamiento de proyectos hídricos en este estado”.

**Número de propuesta 7 - SJR 93**

“La enmienda constitucional que establece la creación del fondo de energía de Texas con el fin de apoyar la construcción, mantenimiento, modernización y operación de instalaciones generadoras de energía eléctrica”.

**Número de propuesta 8 - HJR 125**

“La enmienda constitucional que crea el fondo para infraestructura de banda ancha con el fin de expandir el acceso a la banda ancha de alta velocidad y facilitar el financiamiento de proyectos de conectividad”.

**Número de propuesta 9 - HJR 2**

“La enmienda constitucional que autoriza a la 88ª Legislatura a proporcionar un ajuste por costo de vida a ciertos beneficiarios del Sistema de Jubilación de Maestros de Texas”.

**Número de propuesta 10 - SJR 87**

“La enmienda constitucional que autoriza a la legislatura a eximir de impuestos ad valorem los equipos o inventarios pertenecientes a un fabricante de productos médicos o biomédicos, con el fin de proteger a la red de atención médica de Texas y fortalecer nuestra cadena de suministro médico”.

**Número de propuesta 11 - SJR 32**

“La enmienda constitucional que autoriza a la legislatura a permitir que los distritos de conservación y reclamación en el Condado de El Paso emitan bonos respaldados por impuestos ad valorem para financiar el desarrollo y mantenimiento de parques e instalaciones recreativas”.

**Número de propuesta 12 - HJR 134**

“La enmienda constitucional que establece la abolición del cargo de tesorero del condado en el Condado de Galveston”.

**Número de propuesta 13 - HJR 107**

“La enmienda constitucional para aumentar la edad obligatoria de jubilación para los magistrados y jueces estatales”.

**Número de propuesta 14 - SJR 74**

“La enmienda constitucional que establece la creación del fondo de conservación de los parques centenarios que se utilizará para la creación y mejora de los parques estatales”.

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE

## Governor of the State of Texas

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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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SECRETARY OF STATE  
2 PM O'CLOCK

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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.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT  
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jane Nelson".

JANE NELSON  
Secretary of State

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
2 pm O'CLOCK

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