STATE OF MINNESOTA

Executive Department



Writ of Special Election

Writ of Special Election to fill a vacancy in the office of State Representative for District 52B in Dakota County and of a special primary to nominate candidates for the special election

To the People of the State of Minnesota and particularly those residing in District 52B in Dakota County; to the Secretary of State of Minnesota; to the auditor of Dakota County; to all election officials in District 52B; and to all others who may be concerned.

There is a vacancy in the office of State Representative for District 52B of the State of Minnesota, caused by the resignation of Representative Ruth Richardson effective September 1, 2023. A special election is necessary to fill this vacancy to ensure representation for the citizens of District 52B.

I, Tim Walz, as Governor of the State of Minnesota, acting under the authority and direction vested in me by the Minnesota Constitution, Article IV, section 4, Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 204D.17 to 204D.27, 351.01, 351.02, 351.055, and other relevant statutes, direct that:

- 1. A special election to fill the vacancy will be held in District 52B on Tuesday, December 5, 2023.
- 2. A special primary, if necessary, for nomination of candidates for the office of State Representative for District 52B will be held on Thursday, November 16, 2023.
- 3. Affidavits of candidacy and nominating petitions for District 52B must be filed with the Secretary of State or the Dakota County auditor from Wednesday, September 13, 2023 until 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 19, 2023.
- 4. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 204D.23, subdivision 5, affidavits of withdrawal for District 52B may be filed with the same official who received the affidavit of candidacy until 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 20, 2023.

5. Notices of this special election and special primary must be given, the nomination and election of candidates must be conducted, and all related actions must be done as provided by Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 204D.17 to 204D.27, and other applicable laws.

Signed on September 11, 2023.

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Tim Walz
Governor

Filed According to Law:

Steve Simon

Secretary of State