

#2023-03

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

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

An election is hereby ordered to be held on 11 / 07 /2023 for the purpose of voting on:

(Por la presente se ordena celebrar una elección el 11 / 07 /2023 con el propósito de votar sobre.)

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

See attached list of Propositions 1-14 (Consulte la lista adjunta de propuestas del 1-14)

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at:
(La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en:)

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

Location (sitio)	Hours (horas)
Titus Co Elections Office, 110 S Madison, MP, TX	8:00 am to 5:00 pm/ 2nd week- 7:00 am to 7:00pm

Branch Early Voting Locations (*sucursal sitios de votación adelantada*)

Location (<i>sitio</i>)	Hours (<i>horas</i>)
Chapel Hill ISD Admin Bldg, 1069 CR 4660, MP, TX	1st week 7:00 am to 5:00 pm
	2nd week 7:00 am to 7:00 pm

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekend at:
(La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo en el fin de semana en:)

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

Location (<i>sitio</i>)	The Main Early Voting Location (the principal location)	Hours (<i>horas</i>)
Titus Co Elections Office 110 S Madison, MP, TX		12:00 pm to 5:00 pm Saturday only

Branch Early Voting Locations (*sucursal sitios de votación adelantada*)
 Location (*sitio*) Hours (*horas*)

Chapel Hill ISD Admin Bldg, 1069 CR 4660, MP, TX	12:00 pm to 5:00 pm Saturday only

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán enviarse a:)

Pam Holmes

Name of Early Voting Clerk

(Nombre del Secretario/a de la Votación Adelantada)

110 S Madison Ave., Ste. C

Address (*Dirección*)

Mt Pleasant 75455

City (*Ciudad*) Zip Code (*Código Postal*)

903-575-0902

Telephone Number (*Número de teléfono*)

elections@co.titus.tx.us

Email Address (*Dirección de Correo Electrónico*)

co.titus.tx.us

Early Voting Clerk's Website (*Sitio web del Secretario/a de Votación Adelantada*)

Applications for Ballots by Mail (ABBMs) must be received no later than the close of business on:
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán recibirse no más tardar de las horas de negocio el:)

10 / 27 /2023
 (date)(fecha)

Federal Post Card Applications (FPCAs) must be received no later than the close of business on:
(La Tarjeta Federal Postal de Solicitud deberán recibirse no más tardar de las horas de negocio el:)

10 / 27 /2023
 (date)(fecha)

Issued this 28th day of August, 2023.
 (day) (month) (year)

(Emitida este día 28 de Agosto, 2023.)
K. L. Rogers

Signature of County Judge
(Firma del Juez del Condado)



AMM
 Signature of Commissioner
(Firma del Comisionado)

R. D.
 Signature of Commissioner
(Firma del Comisionado)

Dan Parker
 Signature of Commissioner
(Firma del Comisionado)

Jimmy Parker
 Signature of Commissioner
(Firma del Comisionado)

**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 hidráulicos 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 88^a 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

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."

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE
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 of Greg Abbott.

GREG ABBOTT
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

A handwritten signature of Jane Nelson.

JANE NELSON
Secretary of State

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

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