Appointments

Appointments for October 12, 2020

Appointed to the Texas Southern University Board of Regents, for a term to expire February 1, 2021, Mary Evans Sias, Ph.D. of Richardson, Texas (replacing Derrick M. Mitchell of Houston, who resigned).

Appointed to the Texas Southern University Board of Regents, for a term to expire February 1, 2023, James M. Benham of College Station, Texas (replacing Hasan Mack of Austin, who resigned).

Appointed to the Texas Southern University Board of Regents, for a term to expire February 1, 2025, Stephanie Nellons-Paige of Houston, Texas (replacing Jay S. Zeidman of Houston, who resigned).

Appointments for October 13, 2020

Appointed to the Governor's University Research Initiative Advisory Board, for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Mimi "Mica" Espinoza Short of El Paso, Texas (replacing Cynthia T. "Cindy" Conroy of El Paso, who resigned).

Greg Abbott, Governor
TRD-202004265

Proclamation 41-3776

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, in each subsequent month effective through today, I have renewed the disaster declaration for all Texas counties; and

WHEREAS, I issued Executive Order GA-31 on September 17, 2020, relating to hospital capacity during the COVID-19 disaster;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby amend the paragraph of Executive Order GA-31 that defines "areas with high hospitalizations" to read as follows, effective at 12:01 a.m. on October 14, 2020:

"Areas with high hospitalizations" means any Trauma Service Area that has had seven consecutive days in which the number of COVID-19 hospitalized patients as a percentage of total hospital capacity exceeds 15 percent, until such time as the Trauma Service Area has seven consecutive days in which the number of COVID-19 hospitalized patients as a percentage of total hospital capacity is 15 percent or less. A current list of areas with high hospitalizations will be maintained at www.dshs.texas.gov/ga3031.

This proclamation shall remain in effect and in full force for as long as Executive Order GA-31 is in effect and in full force, unless otherwise modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.

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 8th day of October, 2020.

Greg Abbott, Governor
TRD-202004188

Proclamation 41-3777

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, the resignation of the Honorable Pat Fallon, and its acceptance, has caused a vacancy to exist in Texas State Senate District No. 30, which consists of Archer, Clay, Cooke, Erath, Grayson, Jack, Montague, Palo Pinto, Parker, Wichita, Wise, and Young counties and parts of Collin and Denton counties; and

WHEREAS, an emergency special election to fill the vacancy in Senate District No. 30 was held on Tuesday, September 29, 2020, 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 2.025(d) of the Texas Election Code provides that a runoff election for a special election to fill a vacancy in the legislature must be held not earlier than the 70th day or later than the 77th day after the date the final canvass of the main election is completed; 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 Senate District No. 30 on Saturday, December 19, 2020, for the purpose of electing a state senator to serve out the unexpired term of the Honorable Pat Fallon.

Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on Wednesday, December 9, 2020, in accordance with Section 85.001(b) 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 Senate District No. 30, and all appropriate writs shall be issued and all proper proceedings shall be followed to the end that said special runoff election may be held to fill the vacancy in Texas State Senate District No. 30 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 10th day of October, 2020.

Greg Abbott, Governor