

State of Louisiana



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION NUMBER 161 JBE 2016

SPECIAL ELECTION – DISTRICT ATTORNEY – FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, a vacancy will exist in the office of District Attorney, Fourth Judicial District, due to the retirement of Jerry L. Jones effective November 1, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statutes 18:602 mandates that the Governor shall call a special election to fill the vacancy in an office where the unexpired term exceeds one (1) year, in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:602(E)(2)(a) and/or the dates for elections set forth in La. R.S. 18:402.

NOW THEREFORE, I, JOHN BEL EDWARDS, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: A special primary and a special general election shall be held throughout the jurisdiction of the Fourth Judicial District, for the purpose of electing a district attorney to fill a vacancy in the office.

SECTION 2: Any qualified person desiring to become a candidate for the office shall file a notice of candidacy, accompanied either by a qualifying fee or a nominating petition, as required or authorized by law, with the appropriate election official in the manner and form, and under the procedures and conditions, provided by La. R.S. 18:461 *et seq.*, and all other applicable provisions of the Louisiana Election Code, La. R.S. 18:1 *et seq.*, during the period commencing Wednesday, January 11, 2017, and ending at 4:30 p.m. Friday, January 13, 2017.

SECTION 3: The special election shall be held and conducted under the applicable provisions of the Louisiana Election Code, La. R.S. 18:1 *et seq.*

SECTION 4: The primary election shall be held Saturday, March 25, 2017, and the general election shall be held Saturday, April 29, 2017, at the times and places and in the manner, prescribed by law.

SECTION 5: The Secretary of State, Commissioner of Elections, Parish Board of Election Supervisors, Clerk of Court, Registrar of Voters, and all other persons charged with any power, function, right, duty or responsibility in conducting elections in the jurisdiction of the Fourth Judicial District, are hereby authorized, requested, directed and empowered to exercise every lawful function and to do every act necessary to conduct the special elections, to cause the returns to be made, to canvass and promulgate the results thereof, and to perform all related and incidental functions.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 2nd day of November, 2016.

GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

**ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR**

SECRETARY OF STATE