

# State of Louisiana



## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

### PROCLAMATION NUMBER 58 JBE 2016

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#### ***SPECIAL ELECTION – COUNCIL MEMBER- PARISH OF ST. LANDRY***

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**WHEREAS,** a vacancy exists in the office of Council Member, Town of Melville, Parish of St. Landry, due to the resignation of Clara Moore Goudeau on April 1, 2016; and

**WHEREAS,** Louisiana Revised Statutes 18:583 and 18:602 authorize the Governor to call a special election to fill the vacancy in an office of a member of a parish or municipal governing authority when more than eighteen (18) months of the term remain unexpired in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:602 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 general election shall be held throughout the jurisdiction of the Council Member, Town of Melville, Parish of St. Landry, for the purpose of electing a council member to fill the vacancy in the office.

**SECTION 2:** Any qualified person desiring to become a candidate 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 July 20, 2016, and ending at 4:30 p.m. July 22, 2016.

**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 on November 8, 2016, and the general election shall be held on December 10, 2016, 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 Council Member, Town of Melville, Parish of St. Landry, are hereby authorized, requested, directed

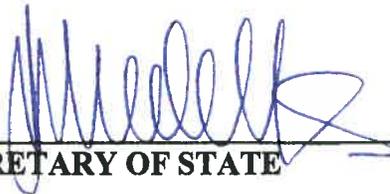
and empowered to exercise every lawful function and to do every act necessary to conduct the special election, to cause the returns to be made, to canvass and promulgate the results, and to perform all related and incidental functions.



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 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016.

  
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GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

ATTEST BY  
THE GOVERNOR

  
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SECRETARY OF STATE