State of Louisiana

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
PROCLAMATION NUMBER 141 JBE 2021

SPECIAL ELECTION – CITY JUDGE, CITY COURT, CITY OF HAMMOND
PARISH OF TANGIPAHOA

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the office of City Judge, City Court, City of Hammond, Parish of Tangipahoa, due to the passing of the Honorable Grace Bennett Gasaway on June 17, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statute 18:621 requires the Governor to call a special election to fill the vacancy in an existing judgeship when more than twelve (12) months of the term remain unexpired, in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:621 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 City Court, City of Hammond, Parish of Tangipahoa, for the purpose of electing a judge to fill the 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 26, 2022, and ending at 4:30 p.m. Friday, January 28, 2022.

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 26, 2022, and the general election shall be held Saturday, April 30, 2022, 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 City Court, City of Hammond, Parish of Tangipahoa, 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 5th day of August, 2021.

GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

ATTEST BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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