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## JEFFERSON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION RESOLUTION CALLING SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL JEFFERSON COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT FIVE VACANCY

## **RECITALS**

- 1. Steve Ammons, Jefferson County Commissioner for District Five, resigned his office effective May 31, 2023, creating a vacancy as of June 1, 2023.
- 2. Alabama Code § 45-37-72.20 et seq. provides the statutory procedure for filling any vacancy on the Jefferson County Commission caused by death, resignation, impeachment, or any cause except normal expiration of terms.
- 3. Alabama Code § 45-37-72.21 provides that "[w]ithin seven days from the occurrence of any vacancy, the election commission, by a majority vote thereof, shall adopt a resolution stating the dates on which the first election and the runoff election, if necessary, shall be held. The dates shall be determined as provided for in Sections 45-37-72.22 and 45-37-72.23."
- 4. The Jefferson County Election Commission, consisting of Presiding Probate Judge James P. Naftel, II, Circuit Clerk Jackie Anderson-Smith, and Sheriff Mark L. Pettway, convened on this date, June 8, 2023, for such purpose.
- 5. Alabama Code § 45-37-72.22 provides that if there is no countywide election scheduled more than 40 days but not more than 180 days from the date of a vacancy, the first election to fill such vacancy shall be held on a date specified by the election commission, which date shall be not less than 33 days and not more than 40 days from the date on which the resolution is adopted.
- 6. Alabama Code § 45-37-72.23 provides that if there is no countywide election scheduled not less than three weeks and not more than eight weeks from the date of the first election to fill the vacancy, then any runoff election shall be held three weeks subsequent to the date on which the first election shall be held to fill the vacancy.
- 7. Alabama Code § 45-37-72.24 provides that any person elected to fill a vacancy shall serve the unexpired portion of the term which the person occupying the office when the vacancy occurred would have served had the vacancy not occurred.

- 8. Alabama Code § 45-37-72.25 provides that the election laws governing the registration of voters, equipment at polling places, furnishing of supplies, appointment of election officers, voting, and canvassing returns at a general election shall apply to any special election to fill a vacancy, except as otherwise provided.
- 9. Alabama Code § 45.37.72.27 provides the procedure for a candidate to fill any vacancy to have such person's name appear on the ballot.
- 10. The Jefferson County Election Commission now desires to set the dates for the first election and, if necessary, runoff election to fill the vacancy in the office of Jefferson County Commission District Five Commissioner caused by the resignation of Commissioner Steve Ammons.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Jefferson County Election Commission does hereby call a SPECIAL ELECTION to fill the vacancy in the office of Jefferson County Commission District Five Commissioner and does hereby resolve as follows:

- 1. The **first election** to fill the vacancy in the office of Jefferson County Commission District Five Commissioner shall be held on **Tuesday**, **July 18**, **2023**.
- 2. The **runoff election**, if necessary, to fill such vacancy shall be held on **Tuesday**, **August 8, 2023**.
- 3. The deadline for candidates to qualify to appear on the ballot is twenty-one days before the date of the first election. Any person desiring to become a candidate must comply with the provisions of Alabama Code § 45-47-72.27.

THIS RESOLUTION IS HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS DAY OF JUNE, 2023 BY THE JEFFERSON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION.

James P. Naftel, II

Presiding Probate Judge

Jackie Anderson-Smith

Circuit Clerk

Mark L. Pettway

Sheriff