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Secretary of State Bowen Announces Results Of Randomized Alphabet Drawing For Candidate Order on Ballots in 72nd Assembly District Special Election

SACRAMENTO – Secretary of State Debra Bowen's office today held a randomized alphabet drawing to determine the order that candidates' names will appear on the November 17 primary and, if necessary, the January 12, run-off special elections in the 72nd Assembly District. The results of the drawing are as follows:

1. V	8. A	15. E	22. X
2. O	9. Q	16. I	23. L
3. S	10. N	17. M	24. Y
4. G	11. Z	18. B	25. R
5. C	12. W	19. H	26. U
6. F	13. D	20. K	
7. T	14. J	21. P	

This special election is being held to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Assemblyman Mike Duvall.

In accordance with Elections Code section 13112(d), the names of candidates on the ballot are arranged based on the randomized alphabet. This alphabet applies throughout the entire last name of the candidate. If the names of two or more candidates begin with the same letter, their ballot listing order is determined by applying the randomized alphabet to the next letter(s) of their names. If last names of multiple candidates are the same, the randomized alphabet also applies to first names.

If no candidate receives more than 50% of the votes cast on November 17, the name of the candidate from each qualified political party who receives the most votes cast will appear on the January 12 special general election ballot.

Today's randomized alphabet drawing was held in the Elections Division within the Secretary of State's office in compliance with Elections Code section 13112. Staff members pulled the letters in a lottery-style drawing, with witnesses from media and the public present.

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