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Secretary of State Releases List of Presidential Candidates for California Primary

SACRAMENTO – Secretary of State Debra Bowen today released the list of generally recognized candidates she intends to place on the June 5, 2012, Presidential Primary Election ballot in California.

Secretary Bowen can place additional candidate names on the list until March 29, when the list of presidential candidates is officially certified. She cannot remove any names from the list once they have been announced unless a candidate asks to be removed by filing an affidavit with the Secretary of State's office.

The last presidential primary, in February 2008, had 51 candidates on the generally recognized candidate list. This year, the candidate list has 24 names.

The complete listing of the generally recognized candidates and their contact information is available at www.sos.ca.gov/elections/2012-elections/june-primary/pdf/generally-recognized-president-2012.pdf and will be updated regularly as new information becomes available.

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