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### Secretary of State Announces Results Of Randomized Alphabet Drawing for Candidate Order On Congressional District 36 Special Election Ballots

**SACRAMENTO** – Secretary of State Debra Bowen’s office today held a randomized alphabet drawing to determine the order in which candidates’ names will appear on the May 17 special primary election ballots and, if necessary, the July 12 special run-off election ballots in the 36<sup>th</sup> Congressional District.

The Congressional District 36 special election is being held to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Jane Harman.

The results of today’s drawing are as follows:

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

In accordance with Elections Code section 13111, 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.

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 the public present.

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