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Randomized Alphabet Set for Senate District 35 Special Election

SACRAMENTO – Secretary of State Debra Bowen's staff today held a randomized alphabet drawing to determine the order that candidates' names will appear on the December 9 special primary election ballots and, if necessary, the February 10, special runoff election ballots in the 35th Senate District.

The Senate District 35 special election is being held to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Rod Wright.

The results of today's drawing are as follows:

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

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 of the Secretary of State's office in compliance with Elections Code section 13112. Staff pulled the letters in a lottery-style drawing with witnesses from the public present.

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