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Secretary of State Padilla Announces Results of Randomized Alphabet Drawing for October 3 Assembly District 51 Special Election Ballots

SACRAMENTO – Secretary of State Alex Padilla’s staff today held a randomized alphabet drawing to determine the order in which candidates’ names will appear on October 3, 2017 Assembly District 51 Special Election ballots.

This election is being held to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Assemblymember Jimmy Gomez. Gomez resigned after being elected Representative of the 34th Congressional District.

The results of today’s drawing are as follows:

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

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 media and public present.

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