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Secretary of State Debra Bowen Announces Results of Random Alphabet Drawing For Candidate Order on AD 39 Special Election Ballots

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 May 15 primary and July 10, 2007 run-off special elections in the 39th Assembly District. The results of the drawing are as follows:

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

This special election is being held to fill the vacancy left by Assemblyman Richard Alarcon who was elected to the Los Angeles City Council on March 6 and subsequently resigned from his Assembly seat.

In accordance with Elections Code section 13112(d), the names of candidates on the ballot are arranged in accordance with 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 this randomized alphabet to the next letter(s) of their names. If last names of multiple candidates are the same, the random alphabet also applies to the first names.

Today’s random alphabet drawing was held at 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 media and public present.

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