



STATE OF ALABAMA
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in Alabama's 1st Congressional District, which vacancy has resulted from the resignation of U.S. Representative Jo Bonner effective at 11:59 p.m., Friday, August 2, 2013; and

WHEREAS, under the Constitution and laws of the State of Alabama, it is my duty as Governor, by proclamation, to call and set the dates of all related special elections to fill said vacancy for the remainder of the term for which U.S. Representative Bonner was elected; and

WHEREAS, due consideration should be given to the rights and privileges of the citizens of Baldwin, Escambia, Mobile, Monroe, Washington and Clarke Counties who live in the U.S. House of Representatives District 1, to be afforded full representation in the United States Congress; and

WHEREAS, all interested citizens and political parties should be allowed to reasonably participate therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert Bentley, Governor of the State of Alabama, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor, do hereby proclaim and call the following special elections to be held in Baldwin, Escambia, Mobile, Monroe, Washington and Clarke (partially within the Congressional District), State of Alabama, U.S. House of Representatives District 1, for the purpose of electing a member of the U.S. House of Representatives for said 1st Congressional District.

A Special Primary Election shall be held on Tuesday, September 24, 2013.

A Special Primary Runoff Election shall be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2013, if necessitated by one candidate, of any qualified political party, not receiving a majority of the votes cast in the Special Primary Election.

In the event that a Special Primary Runoff Election is not necessary on November 5, 2013, because the major parties have only one candidate, or because one candidate receives a majority of the votes cast in the Special Primary Election, then a Special General Election shall be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2013. In the event a Special Primary Runoff Election is required to be held on November 5, 2013, then the Special General Election shall be held on Tuesday, December 17, 2013.

FURTHERMORE, all candidates qualifying with major political parties should be advised that the last day for any candidate to qualify with their respective parties, regarding such election, will be August 5, 2013, at 5:00 p.m. The major political parties shall certify their qualified candidates to the Secretary of State as soon as possible after the qualification deadline but by no later than 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 6, 2013.

FURTHERMORE, all third-party candidates, independent candidates, and/or minor party candidates seeking ballot access are advised that their deadline for filing of the appropriate notification, petitions, or supporting paperwork with the Secretary of State shall be September 24, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Alabama to be affixed by the Secretary of State, at the State Capitol, in the City of Montgomery, Alabama, on this the 3 day of August, 2013.

Robert Bentley

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Governor

ATTEST:

Jim Bennett

Jim Bennett
Secretary of State