# **PROCLAMATION**

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# Covernor of the State of Texas

#### TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, the 89th Regular Session of the Texas Legislature convened in January 2025, in accordance with Article III, Section 5, of the Texas Constitution and Section 301.001 of the Texas Government Code; and

WHEREAS, during that session, the Legislature approved seventeen joint resolutions proposing seventeen particular constitutional amendments by a vote of two-thirds of all members of each house, pursuant to Article XVII, Section 1(a), of the Texas Constitution; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms of those resolutions and in accordance with the Texas Constitution, the Legislature has set the date of the election for voting on the seventeen proposed constitutional amendments to be November 4, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Section 3.003(a)(2) of the Texas Election Code requires the election to be ordered by proclamation of the governor;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Statutes of the State of Texas, do hereby order a special election to be held throughout the State of Texas on the FIRST TUESDAY AFTER THE FIRST MONDAY IN NOVEMBER, the same being the FOURTH day of NOVEMBER, 2025.

NOTICE THEREOF IS HEREBY GIVEN to the COUNTY JUDGE of each county, who is directed to cause said election to be held in the county on such date for the purpose of adopting or rejecting the seventeen constitutional amendments proposed by seventeen joint resolutions, as submitted by the 89th Texas Legislature, Regular Session.

Pursuant to Sections 52.095, 274.001, and 274.002 of the Texas Election Code, the propositions for the joint resolutions will appear as follows:

#### STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 1

"The constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the permanent technical institution infrastructure fund and the available workforce education fund to support the capital needs of educational programs offered by the Texas State Technical College System."

#### STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION No. 2

"The constitutional amendment prohibiting the imposition of a tax on the realized or unrealized capital gains of an individual, family, estate, or trust."

# STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION No. 3

"The constitutional amendment requiring the denial of bail under certain circumstances to persons accused of certain offenses punishable as a felony."

# STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION No. 4

"The constitutional amendment to dedicate a portion of the revenue derived from state sales and use taxes to the Texas water fund and to provide for the allocation and use of that revenue."

#### STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 5

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation tangible personal property consisting of animal feed held by the owner of the property for sale at retail."

# STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 6

"The constitutional amendment prohibiting the legislature from enacting a law imposing an occupation tax on certain entities that enter into transactions conveying securities or imposing a tax on certain securities transactions."

#### STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 7

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a veteran who died as a result of a condition or disease that is presumed under federal law to have been service-connected."

#### STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 8

"The constitutional amendment to prohibit the legislature from imposing death taxes applicable to a decedent's property or the transfer of an estate, inheritance, legacy, succession, or gift."

#### STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION No. 9

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation a portion of the market value of tangible personal property a person owns that is held or used for the production of income."

#### STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 10

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to provide for a temporary exemption from ad valorem taxation of the appraised value of an improvement to a residence homestead that is completely destroyed by a fire."

#### STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 11

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to increase the amount of the exemption from ad valorem taxation by a school district of the market value of the residence homestead of a person who is elderly or disabled."

#### STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 12

"The constitutional amendment regarding the membership of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct, the membership of the tribunal to review the commission's recommendations, and the authority of the commission, the tribunal, and the Texas Supreme Court to more effectively sanction judges and justices for judicial misconduct."

# STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION No. 13

"The constitutional amendment to increase the amount of the exemption of residence homesteads from ad valorem taxation by a school district from \$100,000 to \$140,000."

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# STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 14

"The constitutional amendment providing for the establishment of the Dementia Prevention and Research Institute of Texas, establishing the Dementia Prevention and Research Fund to provide money for research on and prevention and treatment of dementia, Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, and related disorders in this state, and transferring to that fund \$3 billion from state general revenue."

#### STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 15

"The constitutional amendment affirming that parents are the primary decision makers for their children."

# STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 16

"The constitutional amendment clarifying that a voter must be a United States citizen."

### STATE OF TEXAS PROPOSITION NO. 17

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of the amount of the market value of real property located in a county that borders the United Mexican States that arises from the installation or construction on the property of border security infrastructure and related improvements."

The Secretary of State shall take notice of this proclamation and shall immediately mail a copy of this order to every county judge of this State, and all appropriate writs will be issued, and all proper proceedings will be followed, to the end that said election may be held and its result proclaimed in accordance with law.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 12th day of August, 2025.

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GREG ABBOTT
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

JANE NELSON Secretary of State

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