PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

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TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, the 81st Regular Session of the Texas Legislature convened in January of 2009 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 8 joint resolutions proposing 11 constitutional amendments by a vote of two-thirds of all the members of each house, pursuant to Article XVII, Section 1 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 11 proposed constitutional amendments to be November 3, 2009; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK PERRY, 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 THIRD day of NOVEMBER, 2009; and,

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 11 constitutional amendments proposed by 8 joint resolutions, as submitted by the 81st Legislature, Regular Session, of the State of Texas.

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

Proposition 1

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the financing, including through tax increment financing, of the acquisition by municipalities and counties of buffer areas or open spaces adjacent to a military installation for the prevention of encroachment or for the construction of roadways, utilities, or other infrastructure to protect or promote the mission of the military installation."

Proposition 2

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for the ad valorem taxation of a residence homestead solely on the basis of the property's value as a residence homestead."

Proposition 3

"The constitutional amendment providing for uniform standards and procedures for the appraisal of property for ad valorem tax purposes."

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Proposition 4

"The constitutional amendment establishing the national research university fund to enable emerging research universities in this state to achieve national prominence as major research universities, and transferring the balance of the higher education fund to the national research university fund."

PROPOSITION 5

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to authorize a single board of equalization for two or more adjoining appraisal entities that elect to provide for consolidated equalizations."

Proposition 6

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to issue general obligation bonds in amounts equal to or less than amounts previously authorized."

Proposition 7

"The constitutional amendment to allow an officer or enlisted member of the Texas State Guard or other state militia or military force to hold other civil offices."

Proposition 8

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the state to contribute money, property, and other resources for the establishment, maintenance, and operation of veterans hospitals in this state."

Proposition 9

"The constitutional amendment to protect the right of the public, individually and collectively, to access and use the public beaches bordering the seaward shore of the Gulf of Mexico."

Proposition 10

"The constitutional amendment to provide that elected members of the governing boards of emergency services districts may serve terms not to exceed four years."

Proposition 11

"The constitutional amendment to prohibit the taking, damaging, or destroying of private property for public use unless the action is for the ownership, use, and enjoyment of the property by the State, a political subdivision of the State, the public at large, or entities granted the power of eminent domain under law or for the elimination of urban blight on a particular parcel of property, but not for certain economic development or enhancement of tax revenue purposes, and to limit the legislature's authority to grant the power of eminent domain to an entity."

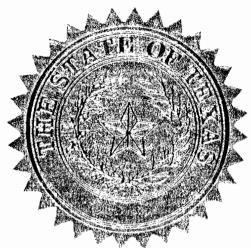
The secretary of state shall take notice of this proclamation and shall mail a copy of this order immediately to every county judge of this state, and all appropriate writs will be issued, and all proper proceedings will be followed, to the end that said election may be held and its result proclaimed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

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the ILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE

SECRETARY OF STATE

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Seal of State to be affixed at my Office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 2nd day of September, 2009.

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Governor

Attested by:

ESPERANZA "HOPE" ANDRADE

Secretary of State