

**STATE OF MINNESOTA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**



**MARK DAYTON
GOVERNOR**

WRIT OF SPECIAL ELECTION

**WRIT OF SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY
IN THE OFFICE OF STATE REPRESENTATIVE FOR HOUSE DISTRICT 23B IN
BLUE EARTH, LE SUEUR, WASECA, AND WATONWAN COUNTIES
AND OF A SPECIAL PRIMARY TO NOMINATE CANDIDATES
FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION**

To the People of the State of Minnesota, and particularly of the Minnesota House of Representatives District 23B in Blue Earth, Le Sueur, Waseca, and Watonwan Counties; to the Secretary of State of Minnesota; to the auditors of Blue Earth, Le Sueur, Waseca, and Watonwan Counties; to all election officials in District 23B; and to all others who may be concerned.

WHEREAS, there is a vacancy in the office of the Minnesota House of Representatives for District 23B of the State of Minnesota, caused by the resignation of State Representative Tony Cornish, effective November 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, a special election is necessary to fill this vacancy to assure representation for the citizens of District 23B.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Dayton, as Governor of the State of Minnesota, acting under the authority and direction vested in me by the Minnesota Constitution, Article IV, Section 4, Minnesota Statutes 2017, Sections 204D.17 through 204D.27, 351.01, 351.02, 351.055, and other relevant statutes, do hereby direct that:

1. A special election to fill the vacancy will be held in District 23B on Monday, February 12, 2018.
2. A special primary, if necessary, for the nomination of candidates for the office of State Representative for District 23B will be held on Monday, January 29, 2018.
3. Affidavits of candidacy and nominating petitions for District 23B must be filed with the State or the county auditor of the county in which the candidate resides from Monday, January 8, 2018, until 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 11, 2018.

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4. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2017, Section 204D.23, subd. 5, affidavits of withdrawal for District 23B may be filed with the same official who received the affidavit of candidacy until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 12, 2018.
5. Notices of this special election and special primary must be given, the nomination and election of candidates must be conducted, and all things pertaining thereto must be done as provided by Minnesota Statutes 2017, Sections 204D.17 through 204D.27, and other applicable provisions of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand at the Capitol in the City of St. Paul, County of Ramsey, State of Minnesota, on 9th day of December, 2017.



MARK DAYTON
Governor

Filed in Accordance with Law:



STEVE SIMON
Secretary of State

