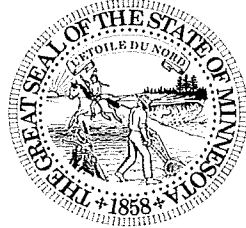


# STATE OF MINNESOTA EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT



**MARK DAYTON  
GOVERNOR**

## WRIT OF SPECIAL ELECTION

**WRIT OF SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY  
IN THE OFFICE OF STATE SENATOR  
FOR SENATE DISTRICT 13 IN BENTON AND STEARNS  
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 Senate District 13 in Benton and Stearns Counties; to the Secretary of State of Minnesota; to the auditors of Benton and Stearns Counties; to all election officials in District 13; and to all others who may be concerned.

WHEREAS, there is a vacancy in the office of State Senator for District 13 of the State of Minnesota, caused by the resignation of State Senator Michelle L. Fischbach, effective May 25, 2018; and

WHEREAS, a special election is necessary to fill this vacancy to assure representation for the citizens of District 13.

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, 251.055, and other relevant statutes, do hereby direct that:


1. A special election to fill the vacancy will be held in District 13 on November 6, 2018.
2. A special primary, if necessary, for the nomination of candidates for the office of State Senator for District 13 will be held on August 14, 2018.
3. Affidavits of candidacy and nominating petitions for District 13 must be filed with the State or the county auditor of the county in which the candidate resides from May 29, 2018, until 5 p.m. on June 5, 2018.

4. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2017, section 204D.23, subd. 5, affidavits of withdrawal for District 13 may be filed with the same official who received the affidavit of candidacy until 5:00 p.m. on June 6, 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 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018.

  
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MARK DAYTON  
Governor

Filed in Accordance with Law:

  
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STEVE SIMON  
Secretary of State

