STATE OF ALABAMA

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the Alabama House of Representatives, District 5, which resulted from the death of Representative Dan Williams;

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 Representative Williams was elected;

WHEREAS, due consideration should be given to the rights and privileges of the citizens of Limestone County who live in Alabama House of Representatives District 5, to be afforded full representation in the Legislature; 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 Limestone County, State of Alabama, House of Representatives District 5, for the purpose of electing a member of the Alabama House of Representatives for said District 5.

A Special Primary Election shall be held on Tuesday, September 29, 2015. In the event that a Special Primary Election is not necessary, because the major parties have only one candidate, the Special General Election shall be held on December 8, 2015.

A Special Primary Runoff Election shall be held on Tuesday, December 8, 2015, if necessitated by one candidate 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, 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, December 8, 2015. In the event a Special Primary Runoff Election is required to be held, then the Special General Election shall be held on Tuesday, February 16, 2016.

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 July 27, 2015, at 5:00 p.m. The two 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 5:00 p.m. on July 29, 2015.

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 29, 2015, 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 7th day of July, 2015.

ROBERT BENTLEY
GOVERNOR

ATTEST

JOHN H. MERRILL
SECRETARY OF STATE