

# STATE OF FLORIDA

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

### EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 23-140

(Special Election – House District 35)

**WHEREAS**, section 100.101(2), Florida Statutes, provides that a vacancy in the membership of the Florida House of Representatives shall be filled by special election; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to article X, section 3 of the Florida Constitution, and section 114.01(1)(d), Florida Statutes, a vacancy now exists in the Florida House of Representatives due to the resignation of Representative Fred Hawkins, House District 35, and the acceptance of such resignation by Governor Ron DeSantis; and

**WHEREAS**, the vacancy in office occurred on June 30, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to section 100.141(1), Florida Statutes, the Governor, upon consultation with the Secretary of State, shall issue an order declaring the date the special election shall be held; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to section 100.111(2), Florida Statutes, prior to setting the special election dates, the Governor shall consider any upcoming elections in the jurisdiction where the special election will be held.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS**, as Governor of Florida, pursuant to my solemn constitutional duty to take care that the laws be faithfully executed, and pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida, do hereby promulgate the following Executive Order, to take immediate effect:

Section 1. A Special Election shall be held to fill the vacancy in the office of Florida House of Representatives, District 35.

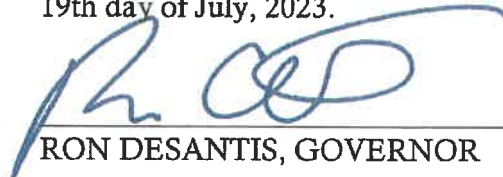
Section 2. A Special Primary Election shall be held on November 7, 2023.

Section 3. A Special Election shall be held on January 16, 2024, if necessary, to select the Representative for House District 35.

Section 4. The Secretary of State shall work to implement the other scheduling requirements for this special election.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, on this 19th day of July, 2023.

  
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RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

  
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