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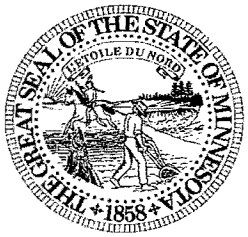

MARK DAYTON
GOVERNOR

WRIT OF SPECIAL ELECTION

WRIT OF SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF STATE REPRESENTATIVE FOR HOUSE DISTRICT 5B IN SAINT LOUIS COUNTY AND OF A SPECIAL PRIMARY TO NOMINATE CANDIDATES FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION

To the People of the State of Minnesota, and particularly of House District 5B in Saint Louis County; to the Secretary of State of Minnesota; to the auditor of Saint Louis County; to all election officials in House District 5B; and to all others who may be concerned.

Whereas, there is a vacancy in the office of State Representative for House District 5B of the State of Minnesota, caused by the resignation of Representative Anthony "Tony" Sertich, effective Thursday, January 13, 2011; and

Whereas, a special election is necessary to fill this vacancy to ensure representation for the citizens of House District 5B.

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, sections 204D.17 to 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 House District 5B on Tuesday, February 15, 2011.

2. A special primary, if necessary, for the nomination of candidates for the office of State Representative for House District 5B will be held on Tuesday, February 1, 2011.

3. Affidavits of candidacy and nominating petitions for House District 5B must be filed with the Secretary of State or the county auditor of Saint Louis County from January 14, 2011, until 5 p.m. on January 18, 2011.

4. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 204D.23, subd. 5, affidavits of withdrawal for House District 5B may be filed with the same official who received the affidavit of candidacy until 5:00 p.m. on January 19, 2011.

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 to the elections must be done as provided by Minnesota Statutes, sections 204D.17 to 204D.27, and other applicable 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 January 13, 2011.

MARK DAYTON
Governor

Filed in Accordance with Law:

MARK RITCHIE
Secretary of State

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