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Upcoming Deadlines for the January 28, 2020, Special Runoff Election for State Representative, District 28, and Special Runoff Election for State Representative, District 100, and Special Runoff Election for State Representative, District 148, for General-Purpose Committees and County Executive Committees

This notice is to remind you of upcoming deadlines *that may apply to you if* your general-purpose political committee (GPAC) or county executive committee (CEC) is involved in the January 28, 2020, special runoff elections listed above. All reports listed below are required to be filed with the Texas Ethics Commission (TEC) if the committee accepted political contributions or made political expenditures and/or had other activity in connection with these elections. If your committee is not involved in these special runoff elections, these reports are not required.

JANUARY 21, 2020 (deadline is extended due to holiday): Runoff Report: A runoff report due eight days before the special runoff election must be received by the TEC by Tuesday, January 21, 2020, if the committee has activity in connection with the January 28, 2020, special runoff elections during the period covered by the runoff report. The first day covered by the report is January 1, 2020, or the date your campaign treasurer appointment was filed, or the day after the date your last report ended, as applicable. The last day covered by the report is January 18, 2020.

JANUARY 19 - JANUARY 27, 2020: Daily Pre-Election Report(s): The reporting period for filing daily pre-election reports begins on January 19, 2020, and ends at noon on January 27, 2020. A campaign treasurer of a GPAC or CEC must file one or more daily pre-election reports if the committee is involved in these special runoff elections, and if the committee accepts political contributions from a single source that total more than \$6,090 during the reporting period, or makes direct campaign expenditures supporting or opposing either a single candidate that total more than \$1,790 or a group of candidates that total more than \$26,780 during the reporting period. A daily pre-election report must be received by the TEC not later than the first business day after the date the contribution is accepted or the expenditure is made that causes the total amount to exceed the applicable threshold. Therefore, you may be required to file more than one daily pre-election report. Any political activity reported on a daily pre-election report must be reported again on the next required campaign finance report.

ELECTRONIC FILING: A campaign finance report must be filed electronically unless you qualify for the statutory exemption. To be in compliance with current requirements, you must use the campaign finance filing application found at www.ethics.state.tx.us/filinginfo/TECindex.php. When you file electronically, you should wait for a confirmation number. If you do not get a confirmation number, the report has NOT been filed.

TIMELY FILING: A campaign finance report transmitted by Internet is considered timely filed if it is successfully transmitted in the correct format by midnight, Central Time Zone, on the date of the filing deadline. A campaign finance report eligible to be filed on paper, by a person who qualifies for the electronic

filing exemption, ***must be received by the TEC by 5:00 p.m. on the filing deadline.*** All paper reports must include the electronic filing exemption form, which may be found at www.ethics.state.tx.us/data/forms/affd/elf_pac_aff.pdf.

LATE-FILING PENALTY: The minimum late-filing penalty for a runoff report is \$500. The minimum late-filing penalty for a daily pre-election report is \$500 for each report that is late.

FILING SCHEDULES AND MORE: Future deadlines are listed on the filing schedules located at www.ethics.state.tx.us/filinginfo/schedules/filing_schedules.php. Also on our website are forms, instructions, filing guides, common reporting errors and other information that you may find useful.