



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS: On December 31, 2019, Johnny Isakson – a native Georgian and long-time public servant – retired from office, creating a vacancy in the representation of this state in the United States Senate; and

WHEREAS: Section 21-2-542 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated provides that whenever a vacancy occurs in the United States Senate, such vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term by the voters of this state in a special election; and

WHEREAS: Said Code Section further provides that such special election shall be held in conjunction with the next November state-wide general election, occurring at least forty days following such vacancy; and

WHEREAS: Section 21-2-132 provides that each candidate shall file a notice of his or her candidacy in the office of the Secretary of State no earlier than the date of the call of the special election and no later than sixty days prior to such special election; and

WHEREAS: In accordance with 1986 Op. Atty. Gen. Ga. 72, the Secretary of State has the authority to set a qualifying period between the call of the special election and sixty days prior to such special election for candidates to file their notices of candidacy in the office of the Secretary of the State.

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That a proclamation of election is hereby issued to the Secretary of State for a special election to be held on November 3, 2020, in conjunction with the state-wide general election to fill the unexpired term of Johnny Isakson in the United States Senate.

This 21ST day of February, 2020.

GOVERNOR