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## **Secretary of State Bruce McPherson Announces Results of Random Alphabet Drawing for Candidate Order on the November 7, 2006 General Election Ballot**

SACRAMENTO, CA - Secretary of State Bruce McPherson today announced the results of the randomized alphabet drawing to determine the order that candidates' names will appear on the ballot for the November 7, 2006 General Election.

### **Randomized Alphabet for Use in the November 7, 2006 General Election:**

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|------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1. G | 8. M  | 15. W | 22. P |
| 2. O | 9. C  | 16. R | 23. T |
| 3. H | 10. I | 17. L | 24. S |
| 4. D | 11. E | 18. Y | 25. K |
| 5. U | 12. N | 19. F | 26. V |
| 6. J | 13. X | 20. Q |       |
| 7. B | 14. Z | 21. A |       |

In accordance with Elections Code section 13111, the names of candidates for statewide office rotate throughout the state by Assembly District, starting with District 1. In Assembly District 2, the candidate whose name appeared first in District 1 shifts to the bottom of the list and all other candidate names shift up one slot, thereby, giving multiple candidates the opportunity for their names to appear first on the ballot multiple times, depending on how many candidates are competing in the contest.

This alphabet applies throughout the entire last name of the candidate. If the names of two or more candidates begin with the same letter, their order is determined by applying this randomized order to the next letter(s) of their names. If last names are the same, the random alphabet applies to the first names.

Today's random alphabet drawing was held at the Elections Division offices of the Secretary of State's Office in compliance with the procedures provided in Elections Code section 13112. Staff members drew the letters in a lottery style drawing with witnesses from the media and public present.