

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON**

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-095

Declaring a Vacancy in District 2 for the Board of County Commissioners, Calling an Election, and Setting the Candidate Filing Deadline.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. The Multnomah County Code requires the Board to promptly determine and declare the date of vacancy upon becoming aware of a vacancy in an elective office.
- b. The Charter and Code also require the Board to call an election to fill the vacancy, and to set a deadline for candidates to file for election to fill the balance of the unexpired term.
- c. Commissioner Susheela Jayapal, District 2, has resigned effective November 1, 2023 at 8:00 am. Under Charter Section 4.40(1)(d) and MCC 5.001(A)(4), an elective office becomes vacant upon resignation.
- d. Commissioner Jayapal's term of office ends December 31, 2026. The Charter and Code provide that when more than one year remains in the term of office at the time a vacancy occurs, then a person shall be elected at the next May or November election date for which the state law filing requirement can be met to fill the remainder of the term of office.
- e. At the time Commissioner Jayapal submitted her resignation, the state law filing deadline for the November 7, 2023 special election had passed. As a result, the next May or November election date for which the state law filing requirement can be met is the May 21, 2024 primary election. The state law filing deadline for that election is March 12, 2024.
- f. Jesse Beason was named as the Interim Designee for Multnomah County Commissioner District 2 in the event of a vacancy on January 6, 2022 by Resolution Number 2022-001.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Resolves:

1. The elective office of Multnomah County Commissioner, District 2 is declared vacant as of 8:00 am on November 1, 2023.

2. An election is called on May 21, 2024, to fill the remainder of the current term of office for Multnomah County Commissioner, District 2, with a March 12, 2024 candidate filing deadline.
3. This election and election date are certified to the Director of the Multnomah County Elections Division.

ADOPTED this 16th day of November, 2023.



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Jessica Vega Pederson, Chair

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