

ENROLLED RESOLUTION 181-03

RATIFY ORDER FOR SPECIAL ELECTION OF WAUKESHA COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, Waukesha County Executive Paul Farrow passed away on July 7, 2026 creating a vacancy in the office of Waukesha County Executive; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 59.17(7) the county clerk shall, within 7 days of a vacancy in the Office of County Executive, order a special election to be held under Wisconsin Statute Section 8.50 to fill the vacancy; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statute Section 8.50 generally provides that the county board of supervisors shall order special elections for county offices, thereby creating potential conflict and ambiguity; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with statutory obligation the Waukesha County Clerk has issued and filed in her office a July 10, 2026 order for the special election of Waukesha County Executive setting the special election for December 15, 2026 and setting other dates related thereto; and

WHEREAS, out of an abundance of caution and to comply as best as possible with competing statutes, it is desirable to ratify and adopt the order of the Waukesha County Clerk.

THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF WAUKESHA
RESOLVES that the July 10, 2026 order of the Waukesha County Clerk setting the special election for the Office of Waukesha County Executive for December 15, 2026 is in all respects ratified.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the said order is fully adopted as the order of the Waukesha County Board of Supervisors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the clerk shall immediately present this resolution to the acting County Executive for execution and thereafter file said resolution in the Clerk's Office with her July 10, 2026 order for special election.

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The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Waukesha County, Wisconsin, was presented to the County Executive on:

Date: 7/10/26, Georgia E. Maxwell
Georgia E. Maxwell, County Clerk

The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Waukesha County, Wisconsin, is hereby:

Approved: 21-0

Vetoed: _____

Date: 7-10-2026, James A. Heinrich
James A. Heinrich, Acting County Executive



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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION WAUKESHA COUNTY EXECUTIVE

County Clerk's Office
Waukesha, WI 53188

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2026

WHEREAS, Waukesha County Executive Paul Farrow was re-elected to the Office of Waukesha County Executive for a four-year term beginning April 4, 2023; and

WHEREAS, County Executive Farrow passed away on July 7, 2026 creating a vacancy in the Office of Waukesha County Executive.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Georgia E. Maxwell, Waukesha County Clerk, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 59.17(7), **ORDER** that a special election be held on **Tuesday, December 15, 2026** to fill the unexpired term of Waukesha County Executive. The term for the Office of Waukesha County Executive will expire on Tuesday, April 20, 2027. If a primary is necessary, it shall be held on Tuesday, November 17, 2026. Circulation of nomination papers for candidates may begin today, Friday, July 10, 2026, and nomination papers and declaration of candidacy shall be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 20, 2026 in the office of the Waukesha County Clerk, 515 W. Moreland Blvd., Room AC120, Waukesha, WI 53188.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the Tuesday, December 15, 2026 Special Election for Waukesha County Executive be held in Waukesha County and shall be held, conducted, canvassed, and returned in accordance to law.

Ordered this 10th day of July, 2026 in the City of Waukesha.

Georgia E. Maxwell
Waukesha County Clerk