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<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

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Robert A. Brehm Co-Executive Director

TO:	Commissioners of Elections:	<u>26th Congressional District</u>
	Erie, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Niagara, Orleans & Wyoming	
FROM:	Robert A. Brehm Co-Executive Director	Todd D. Valentine Co-Executive Director
DATE:	March 9, 2011	
SUBJECT:	Special Election – 26 th Congressional District	

Please be advised that Governor Andrew M. Cuomo issued a proclamation for a special election for the:

26th Congressional District – due to the resignation of Christopher J. Lee.

The date of this special election has been set for May 24, 2011, and shall be conducted by you in a manner consistent with all special election provisions of the New York State Election Law and its rules and regulations, as amended.

Enclosed please find a copy of the Governor's proclamation and a calendar which sets forth all pertinent dates concerning this special election.

RAB/TDV/ls Enclosures

cc: NYS Party Chairs



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OFFICIAL SPECIAL ELECTION POLITICAL CALENDAR 26th Congressional District (Lee)

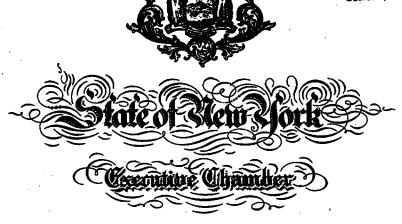
SPECIAL ELECTION: May 24, 2011 Date of Proclamation: March 9, 2011

PARTY NOMINATIONS				
March 21	Last day to file Certificate of Nomination	§6-158(6)		
March 21	Last day to accept or decline nomination	§6-158(7)		
March 25	Last day to authorize nomination	§6-120(3)		
March 23	Last day to file Substitution to fill vacancy created by a declination	§6-158(8)		
March 28	Last day to authorize substitution	§6-120(3)		
INDEPENDENT NOMINATING PETITIONS				
March 9	First day to sign	§6-138(4)		
March 21	Last day to file petition	§6-158(9)		
March 23	Last day to accept or decline nomination	§6-158(11)		
March 25	Last day to file substitution to fill vacancy created by a declination	§6-158(12)		
	CERTIFICATION OF BALLOT			
April 1	Last day to for state and county board to certify ballot	§§ 4-112(1), 4-114)		
	REGISTRATION CUT-OFF DATES			
April 29	Last day to mail (postmark) registration form	§5-210(3)		
May 4	Last day for Board of Elections to receive mail registration form	§5-210(3)		
May 13	Last day to register in person at the Board of Elections	§5-210(3)		
ABSENTEE BALLOTS				
April 8	Date military/special federal ballots must be transmitted	§10-108(1)		
May 17	Last day to postmark application by mail	§8-400(2)(c)		
May 23	Last day to apply in person at board of elections for absentee ballot	§8-400(2)(c)		
May 23	Last day to postmark absentee ballot	§8-412(1)		
May 24	Last day to deliver absentee ballot in person to board of elections	§8-412(2)		
May 31	Last day for the board of elections to receive absentee ballot by mail	§8-412(2)		
June 6	Last day for the board of elections to receive military ballot/special federal ballot by mail	§10-114(1)		

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<u>P R O C L A M A T I O N</u>

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the office of Member of the U.S House of Representatives from the twenty-sixth Congressional District, including all or parts of Erie, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Niagara, Orleans, and Wyoming counties, caused by the resignation of Christopher J. Lee, Member of Congress from the said District;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, pursuant to Section 42 of the Public Officers Law, do hereby order and proclaim that an election for Member of Congress in the place and for the unexpired term of the said Christopher J. Lee, be held in the twentysixth Congressional District on the twenty-fourth day of May, two thousand eleven, such election to be conducted in the manner prescribed by law for election of New York State Members of Congress.



BY THE GOVERNOR

G I V E N under my hand and the Privy

thousand eleven.

Seal of the State in the City of Albany this ninth day of March in the year two

Secretary to the Governor