I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, pursuant to the authority vested in me by the provisions of Sections 12-106 of Title 26 of the Oklahoma Statutes, hereby order a Special Election to be held to fill a vacancy in Senate District 44. A vacancy exists due to the resignation of Senator Ralph Shortey, which became effective March 22, 2017.

The filing period for the Special Election shall be May 1, 2, and 3, 2017, the Special Primary Election shall be held July 11, 2017; and the Special General Election shall be held September 12, 2017. In the event that a Special Primary Election is not necessary, the Special General Election shall be held July 11, 2017.

The Secretary of the State Election Board and the secretaries of the appropriate county election boards are hereby directed to take all actions necessary to conduct the aforesaid elections. Copies of this Executive Proclamation shall be distributed to them.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, this 27th day of March 2017.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

MARY FALLIN

ATTEST:

DAVE LOPEZ, SECRETARY OF STATE