

**RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION  
TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF  
WARD 1 ALDERMAN MICHAEL A. MAYFIELD, SR.**

**WHEREAS**, Michael A. Mayfield, Sr. was first elected as Ward 1 Alderman of the City of Vicksburg, Mississippi in July of 2005 and he was reelected on July 1, 2021 to a four year term which expires on June 30, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, Alderman Mayfield untimely passed away on March 11, 2024 hereby vacating the Ward 1 Alderman office; and

**WHEREAS**, the remainder of Alderman Mayfield's term of office exceeds six (6) months; and

**WHEREAS**, under these circumstances and pursuant to Section 23-15-857, Mississippi Code of 1972, it is necessary to call a special election to fill the vacancy; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 21, 2025, this matter was set on the agenda of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen but tabled until Monday, March 25, 2025.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND  
ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF VICKSBURG:**

**Section 1.** The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg does hereby determine and find that the position of Ward 1 Alderman is vacant, and that the vacancy occurred on March 11, 2024, due to the untimely and unfortunate passing of Alderman Michael A. Mayfield, Sr.

**Section 2.** A special election to fill this vacancy shall be held on Thursday, May 9, 2024.

**Section 3.** Each candidate must qualify by petition filed with the Municipal Clerk by 5:00 p.m. at least twenty (20) days before the date of the election, and all candidates will qualify as independents. The petition must contain the names of at least fifty (50) qualified municipal electors.

**Section 4.** If no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast in the special election, a run-off election shall be held three weeks later on Thursday, May 30, 2024, between the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes in the special election.

**Section 5.** The Election Commissioners for the City of Vicksburg are hereby directed to perform all of the duties required of them by law in respect to management, control, and holding of the election.

**Section 6.** The Election Commissioners are further directed to have printed and distributed the

official ballots for the election.

**Section 7.** A notice of the special election shall be published in *The Vicksburg Post*, newspaper of general circulation in the City of Vicksburg, once each week for three (3) consecutive weeks, wherein the first publication shall be more than thirty (30) days prior to the date for holding the election, with such notices to appear on the following dates: Wednesday, April 3, April 10, and April 17, 2024. Notice of the special election shall also be posted at three (3) public places in the City of Vicksburg, one of which shall be the City Hall, at least 21 days before the election.

**Section 8.** The special election and run-off, if needed, shall be held at the regular voting places of the City as so specified in the notice below and the polls shall open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M.

**Section 9.** The notice of the special election shall be in the following form:

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF WARD 1  
ALDERMAN OF THE CITY OF VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI**

Notice is hereby given that the City of Vicksburg, Mississippi, will hold a special election on Thursday, May 9, 2024, at the regular voting places in the City to fill the vacancy in the office of Ward 1 Alderman of the City of Vicksburg, for the unexpired term thereof.

The voting places for this election will open at 7:00 A.M. and will close at 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, May 9, 2024.

If no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast in the special election, a run-off election will be held three weeks later on Thursday, May 30, 2024, between the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes during the same hours and at the voting place stated hereinabove.

All qualified electors of the City of Vicksburg, Mississippi, shall be permitted to vote in this special election and in the run-off election if one is necessary.

Witness my signature and the official seal of the City of Vicksburg, Mississippi, this  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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Deborah Nickson, Interim City Clerk

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**Section 10.** The City Clerk shall cause a certified copy of this Resolution to be sent forthwith to the Honorable Michael Watson, Secretary of State for the State of Mississippi.

SO RESOLVED this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2024.

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George Flaggs, Jr., Mayor

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Michael A. Mayfield, Sr., Ward 1 Alderman

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Alex J. Monsour, Jr., Ward 2 Alderman

ATTEST:

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INTERIM CITY CLERK