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Secretary of State Weber Announces Results of Randomized Alphabet Drawing for September 14, 2021 California Gubernatorial Recall Election

SACRAMENTO, CA – Secretary of State Dr. Shirley N. Weber’s staff today held a randomized alphabet drawing to determine the order that replacement candidates’ names will appear on the September 14, 2021 California Gubernatorial Recall Election ballot.

The results of today’s drawing are as follows:

1. X	7. R	13. M	19. I	25. O
2. K	8. G	14. B	20. E	26. U
3. T	9. J	15. A	21. P	
4. V	10. Y	16. Q	22. C	
5. F	11. Z	17. H	23. W	
6. N	12. L	18. D	24. S	

This alphabet applies throughout the candidate's name, last name first, followed, if necessary, by first name, then middle name. If more than one candidate's last name begins with the same letter, the alphabet applies to the second letter and, if needed, the third, etc., until different letters appear in the same position. For example, if two candidates with the last names Campbell and Carlson are running for the same office, their order on the ballot will depend on the order in which the letters "M" and "R" were drawn in the randomized alphabet drawing.

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Names of replacement candidates for Governor rotate by Assembly District, starting with Assembly District 1 where the names appear as first determined by the randomized alphabet. In Assembly District 2, the candidate who appeared first in Assembly District 1 drops to the bottom and the other candidates move up one position and so on throughout the 80 districts. This gives each candidate more than one opportunity to appear at the "top of the ticket" in his/her race.

Today's randomized alphabet drawing was held in the Elections Division of the Secretary of State's office in compliance with Elections Code section 13112. Staff pulled the letters in a lottery-style drawing.

For more information about the California Gubernatorial Recall Election, visit:

<https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/upcoming-elections/2021-ca-gov-recall>

