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 FROM: Michigan Department of State, Bureau of Elections  
 SUBJECT: Special Primary and Election – 4<sup>th</sup> State House District

Attached please find Governor Whitmer’s call for a special primary and election to fill the vacancy in the office of State Representative, 4<sup>th</sup> District.

Nominating and qualifying petition signature requirements are as follows:

	Minimum	Maximum
<b>Democrat</b>	200	400
<b>Republican</b>	200	400
<b>Candidates without political party affiliation</b>	600	1,200

Democratic and Republican Party candidates may file a \$100.00 filing fee in lieu of nominating petitions. Candidates without political party affiliation must file qualifying petitions. At the time of filing, each candidate must submit an Affidavit of Identity (in duplicate). The filing deadline for Democratic and Republican Party candidates is April 21, 2020; the filing deadline for candidates without political party affiliation is July 16, 2020. As the 4<sup>th</sup> State House District lies within a single county, all filings must be submitted to the Wayne County Clerk.

Democratic and Republican Party candidates who file for the vacancy will be placed on the August 4, 2020 special primary ballot; the Democratic and Republican Party candidates nominated at the special primary will appear on the November 3, 2020 special election ballot, along with any candidates nominated by the minor parties qualified to participate in the special election and any candidates without party affiliation who file for the vacancy.

A listing of the various duties and deadlines associated with the special election is enclosed for your reference. Please do not hesitate to contact this office if you have any questions.