

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THERE WAS BEGUN AND HELD A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI AT 4:00 P.M. ON OCTOBER 18, 1996 IN THE BOARD ROOM OF SAID CITY.

THOSE PRESENT

MAYOR JACK GAY

CITY ATTORNEY

THOMAS W TYNER

ALDERMEN

RAYMOND C. BRANDLE

LEROY SCOTT

SHELBY TIMS

THE MAYOR DECLARED A QUORUM PRESENT AND DECLARED THE CITY COUNCIL IN SESSION.

THE NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING WITH HIS RETURN WAS PRESENTED FOR FILING BY CHIEF WAYNE MURPHY. THE NOTICE READ AS FOLLOWS TO-WIT:

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Please be advised that a special meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, will be held Friday, October 18, 1996 at 4:00 P.M., in the Board Room of said City for the purpose of:

- 1) To adopt a resolution call a special election on November 19, 1996

s/ Jack Gay
Jack Gay, Mayor

s/ Raymond C. Brandle
Raymond C. Brandle

s/ William H. Campbell
William H. Campbell

s/ Shelby Tims
Shelby Tims

s/ Leroy Scott
Leroy Scott

CHIEF OF POLICE RETURN

I, Billy Wayne Murphy, Chief of Police of the City of Petal, Mississippi, do hereby certify that more than three hours prior to the time set for said special meeting, I did personally serve upon the foregoing Aldermen, a true and correct copy of this Notice of Special Meeting.

s/ Billy W. Murphy, Jr.
Billy Wayne Murphy, Chief of Police

WHEREAS, MAYOR GAY STATED THAT PURSUANT TO SECTION 23-15-857 OF THE MISSISSIPPI CODE THAT THE BOARD IS REQUIRED TO SET A SPECIAL ELECTION ON A DATE NOT LESS THAN THIRTY DAYS (30) DAYS NOR MORE THAN FORTY-FIVE (45) DAYS BECAUSE OF THE VACANCY CAUSED BY THE DEATH OF REUBEN CLEPPER, ALDERMAN-AT-LARGE.

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN SCOTT MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING ORDER SETTING THE SPECIAL ELECTION FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1996. ALDERMAN TIMS SECONDED THE MOTION.

SEE EXHIBIT "A"

ORDER-SETTING SPECIAL ELECTION

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":

NONE

THEREUPON, ALDERMAN BRANDLE MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. ALDERMAN TIMS SECONDED THE MOTION.

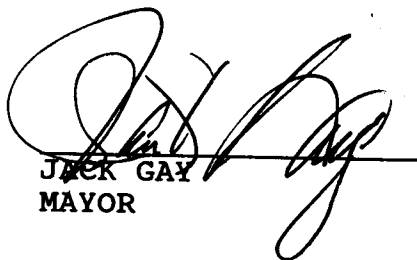
THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "AYE":

ALDERMAN RAYMOND C. BRANDLE
ALDERMAN LEROY SCOTT
ALDERMAN SHELBY L TIMS

THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING "NAY":


NONE

THEREBEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI WAS ADJOURNED ON THIS THE 18TH DAY OF OCTOBER, A.D., 1996.


JACK GAY
MAYOR

(SEAL)

ATTEST:


PRISCILLA C. DANIEL
CITY CLERK

ORDER
EXHIBIT "A"

ORDERED by the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Petal, Mississippi that a special election shall be held within the City of Petal, Mississippi for the election of an Alderman At-Large; and,

WHEREAS, a vacancy has been declared on the Board of Aldermen by the death of Reuben Clepper, Alderman at Large of the City of Petal, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the unexpired portion of the term of Reuben Clepper's office exceeds six months;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI, AS FOLLOWS,
TO-WIT:

SO ORDERED, that a special election is hereby called on November 19th, 1996, within the City of Petal,

Mississippi for the purpose of electing an Alderman at Large in the City of Petal, Mississippi, and

SO ORDERED, at the said special election all qualified electors of this City are entitled to vote in the said special election, and

SO ORDERED, the said special election will be held at the following polling places within the City of Petal, Mississippi, as follows, to-wit:

West Petal Precinct
221 West Fifth Avenue

Petal Masonic Lodge
120 Campbell Street

Petal Civic Center
712 South Main Street

The polls of said election will be open at the hour of 7:00 o'clock in the morning and will be kept open until the hour of 7:00 o'clock in the evening of the aforesaid date and the said election shall be held and conducted, as far as practicable, in accordance with laws regulating special elections in the State of Mississippi and the City of Petal, Mississippi; and

SO ORDERED that the City Clerk shall cause notice of said election to be published not less than 30 days prior to such election.

SO ORDERED that the Clerk of said City of Petal, Mississippi, shall give not less ~~that, 30 days~~ ^{EXHIBIT A} notice of said special election by posting notice thereof in three (3) public places within the municipality, and by publication in some newspaper having a general circulation in the City of Petal, Mississippi, and qualified under Chapter 427 of Laws of Mississippi, 1948. The said notice shall be published once each week for three (3) consecutive weeks. The said notice shall be in substantially the following form to wit:

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION FOR ALDERMAN AT LARGE

CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the City of Petal, Mississippi that a special election will be held in the said City of Petal, Mississippi, on Tuesday November 19, 1996, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the said City the election of an Alderman at Large of the said City of Petal, Mississippi.

The said election will be held in the following polling places within the said City of Petal, Mississippi.

West Petal Precinct
221 West Fifth Avenue

Petal Masonic Lodge
120 Campbell Street

Petal Civic Center
712 South Main Street

The polls of said election will be opened at the hour of 7:00 o'clock A.M. and will be kept open until the hour of 7:00 o'clock P.M. of the aforesaid date and the said election shall be held and conducted, as far as practicable in accordance with the laws regulating special election in the State of Mississippi and in the City of Petal, Mississippi.

By Order of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Petal, Mississippi, this the 18th day of October, 1996.

Priscilla C. Daniel
City Clerk

SO ORDERED that the said special election shall be held and conducted by the Election Commissions within and for the City of Petal, Mississippi, and shall be conducted as far as practicable in accordance with the laws regulating special elections in the State of Mississippi, and in the City of Petal, Mississippi. When the said Election Commissioners shall have received the returns of said election and

ascertained the results thereof, they shall after having canvassed the same, forthwith make a return thereof to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen a report setting forth their actions in the holding of said elections and the results thereof.

SO ORDERED Election Commissioner, Lesley W. Lee, is hereby appointed to have the ballots printed. The said ballots to be used at said special election shall be in substantially the following form, to-wit:

OFFICIAL BALLOT
SPECIAL ELECTION
CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1996

FOR ALDERMAN, AT LARGE
CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI

_____ ()
_____ ()
_____ ()

(Place a cross (x) or check mark ()
opposite your choice on the ballot)

On the reverse side of each ballot there shall be printed substantially the following:

OFFICIAL BALLOT
SPECIAL ELECTION FOR ALDERMAN AT LARGE
CITY OF PETAL, MISSISSIPPI
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1996

AND SO ORDERED that if no candidate should receive a majority of the votes cast at such special election and that it should become necessary to hold a run-off election between the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes, such run-off election shall be held one week later on Tuesday, November 26, 1996.

SO ORDERED that the City Clerk be and the said clerk is hereby authorized and directed to prepare a true and correct copy of this order and to certify the same to the Election Commissioners within and for the City of Petal, Mississippi, as and for their warrant and authority for the holding of said election as herein provided and as required by the Laws of the State of Mississippi.


SO ORDERED the City of Petal has heretofore designated
EXHIBIT "A"
as Election Commissioners for the City of Petal, Mississippi,
the following: Lesley W. Lee, W. T. McWilliams, and
William E. Bullock and their appointment and tenure of
office is hereby ratified, approved, and confirmed for the
purpose of holding this election.

SO ORDERED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the
City of Petal, Mississippi, on this the 18th day of October,
1996.


MAYOR

(SEAL)

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK