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## MEDIA RELEASE

## Call for Election: State Civil Service Commission Classified Employee Member

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State Civil Service Director Byron P. Decoteau, Jr., has issued a call for the election to fill the office of the employee member of the State Civil Service Commission. The effective date of the call is January 2, 2023.

The present elected member's term will expire April 30, 2023.

The seven-member State Civil Service Commission is comprised of six commissioners who are appointed by the Governor based on nominations from private colleges and universities around the state. One classified state employee is elected by the permanent classified workforce every six years as the seventh member of the Commission. The employee member of the Commission must be a full-time, permanent employee in the classified state service for at least one year prior to the date on which he or she qualifies as a candidate.

Candidates must submit a nomination petition with signatures from at least 100 permanent classified employees. Nomination petitions of candidates must be filed during the period of January 3, 2023 through January 11, 2023 at 4:30 pm. Nomination petitions may be mailed or delivered by hand:

Mailing address:

Commission Election Coordinator State Civil Service P.O. Box 94111, Capitol Station Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9111

Physical Address:

State Civil Service 1201 North Third Street Claiborne Building, Third floor, Suite 3-270 Baton Rouge, LA

By February 3, 2023, ballots will be delivered to all classified state employees with permanent status gained on or before December 3, 2022. Voting may be done by telephone, internet, or paper mail-in ballot. All voting must be completed by 5:00 pm on February 24, 2023.

The State Civil Service Election website, <u>civilservice.louisiana.gov/StateEmployees/2023Election.aspx</u>, contains information for those interested in becoming a candidate, the candidate petition form, and voting information for state employees. The website will be updated regularly.

A runoff election will be held if no candidate receives at least 35 percent of the votes cast in the election.

For more information about the election, please contact Jackie Garrison at (225) 342-8297 or <u>Election.Coordinator@la.gov</u>.

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