

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY  
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

August 5, 2025

**FROM**

**JOANI FINWALL, Registrar of Voters**

**SUBJECT**

Resolution for Appointment of Candidates in Lieu of Election

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

Adopt **Resolution No. 2025-176** appointing candidates to serve as members of the Board of Directors, in lieu of election for certain contests in the November 5, 2024, General Election, where no person filed a Declaration of Candidacy.  
(Presenter: Joani Finwall, Registrar of Voters, 387-2100)

**COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES**

**Operate in a Fiscally-Responsible and Business-Like Manner.  
Pursue County Goals and Objectives by Working with Other Agencies and Stakeholders.**

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Approval of these actions will not result in the use of additional Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost) as the adoption of Resolutions for Appointments in Lieu of Election is non-financial in nature.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Adoption of this Resolution will appoint candidates, in lieu of election, to fill certain offices that were up for election in various special districts in the November 5, 2024, General Election.

California Elections Code section 10515 requires that when the number of candidates who file for an office is less than or equal to the number of offices to be filled, the Board of Supervisors (Board) shall appoint those candidates to the office. When no person files for an office, the Board shall appoint a qualified person to fill that office. All persons appointed in lieu of election by the Board shall serve to the end of the term.

On December 3, 2024 (Item No. 48), the Board adopted Resolution No. 2024-170 appointing 79 candidates, in lieu of election, as members of the Board of Directors for 34 independent special districts for two-year and four-year terms that began on December 6, 2024.

On January 28, 2025 (Item No. 56), the Board adopted Resolution No. 2024-51 appointing nine eligible voters in lieu of election as members of the Board of Directors for six independent special districts. This action did not complete the appointments in lieu of election for the November 5, 2024, General Election. Seven offices remained unfilled for the Board to appoint eligible voters.

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Adoption of this Resolution will appoint six eligible voters in lieu of election, as members of the Board of Directors for three independent special districts. All six of these offices were up for election in the November 5, 2024, General Election and no candidates filed for the offices. The First and Third District Supervisors recommended these candidates for Board approval:

<b>Name</b>	<b>District Office</b>	<b>Term</b>
Scott Drake	Apple Valley Foothill County Water District, Member, Board of Directors	4 Year
Janet Fonseca	Apple Valley Foothill County Water District, Member, Board of Directors	4 Year
Ron Walker	Juniper-Riviera County Water District, Member, Board of Directors	4 Year
Alyssa Pavich	Thunderbird County Water District, Member, Board of Directors	4 Year
Ida Randle	Thunderbird County Water District, Member, Board of Directors	4 Year
Robert Miehle	Yucca Valley Airport District, Member, Board of Directors	2 Year

The Recommended appointment to fill the one vacant office as a member for the Hi-Desert Memorial Health Care District Board of Directors will be presented to the Board for approval at a future meeting.

Pursuant to Elections Code section 10507, the current officeholders continue to serve as members of the Board of Directors until a successor is appointed by the Board of Supervisors and takes office.

**PROCUREMENT**

N/A

**REVIEW BY OTHERS**

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Jolena Grider, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on July 7, 2025; and County Finance and Administration (Elias Duenas, Administrative Analyst, 387-4052) on July 17, 2025.

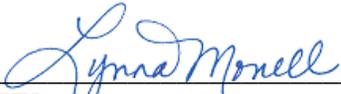
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**APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Moved: Joe Baca, Jr. Seconded: Curt Hagman  
Ayes: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.), Jesse Armendarez, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca, Jr.

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY   
DATED: August 5, 2025



cc: File - Registrar of Voters w/resolution  
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