



RESOLUTION NO. 05-26

**RESOLUTION CONSTITUTING ORDER OF SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL
VACANT SEAT ON THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE MURRIETA VALLEY
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, Education Code section 5090 provides that a vacancy is created on a school district governing board upon the occurrence of any of the events specified in Government Code Section 1770; and

WHEREAS, on September 25, 2025, a vacancy was created on the Governing Board of the Murrieta Valley Unified School District within the meaning of Education Code section 5090 and Government Code section 1770(h) when Board Member Yvonne Munoz resigned; and

WHEREAS, Education Code section 5091(a) allows a school district governing board to make a provisional appointment to fill such a vacancy; and

WHEREAS, on October 28, 2025, pursuant to Education Code section 5091(a), the Governing Board of the Murrieta Valley Unified School District appointed Josefine Hartley as a provisional appointment to the vacancy created by Board Member Yvonne Munoz; and

WHEREAS, Education Code section 5091(c) allows the registered voters of a school district to petition the county superintendent of schools to call for the conduct of a special election to fill a vacancy on a school district governing board within 30 days of a provisional appointment; and

WHEREAS, on December 1, 2025, pursuant to Education Code section 5091(c), registered voters of the Murrieta Valley Unified School District submitted a petition to the Riverside County Superintendent of Schools for the conduct of a special election to fill the vacancy created by Board Member Yvonne Munoz (the "Petition"); and

WHEREAS, Education Code section 5091(c)(2) requires that the county superintendent of schools, within 30 days of the receipt of a petition to call for the conduct of a special election to fill a vacancy on a school district governing board, verify the signatures on said petition within the meaning of Education Code section 5091(c)(1) and verify that the petition conforms with the requirements set forth in Education Code section 5091(f)(1); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Code section 5091(c)(2), a provisional appointment to a vacancy on a school district governing board is terminated upon the county superintendent of schools' determination that a petition for the conduct of a special election to fill a vacancy on a school district governing board is legally sufficient; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Code section 5091(c)(2) a county superintendent of schools is required to order a special election if they deem a petition for the conduct of a special election to fill a vacancy on a school district governing board to be legally sufficient; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Code section 5091(c)(2), a county superintendent of schools may order that a special election to fill a vacancy on a school district governing board be conducted no later than the 130th day after the determination that a petition for a special election to fill a board vacancy is legally sufficient; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Code section 5091(e), a person elected to fill a vacancy on a school district governing board shall hold office for the remainder of the unexpired term created by the vacancy; and

WHEREAS, Board Member Yvonne Munoz's term on the Governing Board of the Murrieta Valley Unified School District would have otherwise ended on **December 1, 2028**; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Code Section 5091(g), special elections held pursuant to Education Code section 5091(c) shall be conducted in nearly the same manner as practicable as other governing board member elections; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Code section 5322, a county superintendent of schools may concurrently designate the date and purpose of an election with an order of election, otherwise known as the "specifications of the election order"; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Elections Code sections 10400 through 10418, a county superintendent of schools may request consolidation of a special election to fill a vacancy on a school district governing board with a regular statewide election.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS HEREBY RESOLVES that pursuant to Education Code section 5091(c)(2) the Petition is deemed legally sufficient as it contains a sufficient number of signatures within the meaning of Education Code section 5091(c)(1) and conforms with the requirements set forth in Education Code section 5091(f)(1).

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to Education Code section 5091(c)(2), the provisional appointment of Josefine Hartley to the Governing Board of the Murrieta Valley Unified School District is immediately terminated.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that, pursuant to Education Code sections 5091(c)(2) and 5322, the Riverside County Superintendent of Schools hereby orders that a special election shall be held for the electors within the boundaries of the Murrieta Valley Unified School District to fill the vacancy created by Board Member Yvonne Munoz on September 15, 2025.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that, pursuant to Education Code section 5322, the Riverside County Superintendent of Schools designates that the specifications of the election order as follows:

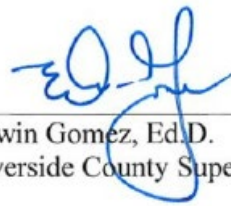
The special election shall be held with the consolidated primary election to be held on June 2, 2026.

The purpose of the special election is to fill the vacancy created by Board Member Yvonne Munoz on September 15, 2025, for which term shall expire on **December 1, 2028**.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the issue is to appear on the ballot as follows:

“To elect a member to fill the vacancy on the Governing Board of the Murrieta Valley Unified School District which term will expire **December 1, 2028**. (Vote for one only)”

ADOPTED by the Riverside County Superintendent of Schools this 19th day of December, 2025, at Riverside, California.



Edwin Gomez, Ed.D.
Riverside County Superintendent of Schools