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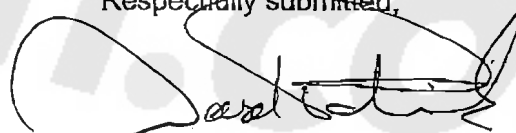
Honorable William Francis Galvin
Secretary of the Commonwealth
State House – Room 337
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Secretary Galvin:

Pursuant to Article XLVIII of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Referendum II, Emergency Measures, I declare that the attached Act, Chapter 92 of the Acts of 2009, "An Act relative to filling a temporary vacancy in the United States Senate," which I have approved, is an emergency law and, in my opinion, the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety or convenience requires that such law should take effect forthwith.

This Act provides for the temporary appointment of a United States Senator, pending the special election. The purpose of the Act is to ensure that the Commonwealth is fully represented in the United States Senate as it addresses issues of critical importance to the nation and the Commonwealth. That purpose would be frustrated absent this declaration, as the appointment would be delayed for most of the interim period until the special election. Accordingly, so that the people of the Commonwealth may have full representation in the United States Senate without delay, I declare that it is in the public interest and convenience that this Act take effect immediately.

Respectfully submitted,



SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH Boston, Massachusetts September 24, 2009

I, William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth, hereby certify that the accompanying statement was filed in this office by the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts at ten o'clock and twenty minutes A.M. on the above date, and in accordance with Article Forty-eight of the Amendments to the Constitution said Chapter takes effect forthwith, being Chapter Ninety Two of the Acts of Two Thousand Nine.



William Francis Galvin
Secretary of the Commonwealth