WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the office of State Representative, District 45, Parish of Lafayette, due
to the resignation of Jerry Luke LeBlanc, effective on January 12, 2004; and
WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statutes 18:601 provides that such vacancy shall be filled by special
election called by the Speaker of the House; and
WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statutes 18:402 sets the dates for the special primary and the special
general elections;
NOW, THEREFORE I, Joe R. Salter, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Legislature of
Louisiana issue this notice, call, and proclamation for a special primary and special
general election to be held throughout the jurisdiction of Representative District 45, Parish of Lafayette, for the purpose of electing a State Representative.
Any qualified person desiring to become a candidate for the office shall file the notice of
candidacy, accompanied either by a qualifying fee or a nominating petition, as required
or authorized by law, with the appropriate election official in the manner and form and
under the procedures and conditions provided by Subpart B of Part IV of Chapter 5, or
any other applicable provision, of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, during the
period commencing on Wednesday, January 28, 2004 and ending at 5:00 p.m. on Friday,
The election herein called, noticed, and provided for and proclaimed shall be held and
conducted under the applicable provisions of the Louisiana Election Code, being Title 18
of the Louisiana Revised Statutes.
I hereby fix the date of the primary election for Tuesday, March 9, 2004, and the date for
the general election for Saturday, April 17, 2004, at the times and places, and in the
manner prescribed by law.
Accordingly, I now authorize, request, direct, and empower the Secretary of State, the
Commissioner of Elections, the Parish Board of Election Supervisors for the Parish of
Lafayette, the Clerk of Court for the Parish of Lafayette, the Registrar of Voters for the
Parish of Lafayette and all other persons charged with any power, function, right, duty, or
responsibility in conducting elections in the jurisdiction of Representative District 45, Parish of Lafayette, to exercise every lawful function, do every act necessary to conduct
elections, cause the returns thereof to be made, and in general, to perform all related and
incidental functions necessary to canvass and promulgate the results thereof.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand
officially and caused to be affixed the Seal of the House of Representatives, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge,
on this 13th day of January, 2004.

Joe R. Salter
Speaker of the House of Representatives

ATTEST BY
THE CLERK

Alfred W. Speer
Clerk of the House of Representatives