



# TENESHIA HUDSPETH

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### **ELECTION DAY FOR THE CD-18 SPECIAL RUNOFF POLLS OPEN FROM 7 A.M. TO 7 P.M.**

**(HOUSTON, TX)** – Election Day for the Congressional District 18 (CD-18) Special Runoff Election is today, Saturday, January 31. The winner will serve the remainder of the late Congressman Sylvester Turner’s unexpired term. A runoff is required because no candidate received a majority of the vote in the November 4, 2025, Special Election.

“Voters who are registered in CD-18 have one more opportunity to participate in this runoff election, even if they did not vote in November,” **said Harris County Clerk Teneshia Hudspeth.** “Every vote cast in a runoff election matters.”

More than 60 vote centers will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Election Day in Harris County. To find a location near you, visit [HarrisVotes.com](https://www.harrisvotes.com).

#### **Texas Required Photo IDs**

- TX Driver’s License
- TX Personal ID
- TX Handgun License
- TX Election ID Certificate
- U.S. Military ID (with photo)
- U.S. Citizenship Certificate (with photo)
- U.S. Passport (book or card)

State law prohibits the use of wireless communication devices in voting areas. However, voters may bring written notes or sample ballots to the vote centers.

#### **Mail Ballot Drop-Off**

- Voters can hand-deliver their mail ballot on Election Day at 1019 Congress St. in downtown Houston between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. A valid photo ID is required.
- If a voter decides to vote in person instead, they must surrender their mail ballot at a vote center. If the voter does not have their mail ballot, they may still vote in person, but must vote a provisional ballot per the Texas Election Code.

For more information and real-time updates, follow **@HarrisVotes** or visit [HarrisVotes.com](https://www.harrisvotes.com).

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