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SCHOOL BOARD, DISTRICT 3 OFFICE TO APPEAR ON THE BALLOT THIS YEAR

PENSACOLA – With the resignation of Escambia County School Board District 3 member Claudia Brown-Curry, effective November 18, 2008, Escambia County voters will elect a candidate later this year to fill the unexpired portion of Mrs. Brown-Curry’s four-year term. Candidates who wish to qualify as a candidate for the unexpired portion of the term may do so during the upcoming qualifying period, which begins at noon, June 16, 2008, and ends at noon, June 20, 2008. Candidates may “pre-file” for the seat immediately.

Mrs. Brown-Curry on Thursday submitted a letter of resignation, effective November 18, 2008, to Escambia County Supervisor of Elections David Stafford, citing her intent to qualify as a candidate in 2008 for Escambia County Superintendent of Schools. The School Board District 3 term does not expire until November 2010, thus triggering Florida’s “resign-to-run” provision. The offices of Superintendent of Schools, and School Board Districts 4 and 5 will also appear on the ballot this year, as their four year terms expire this November.

All qualified candidates for School Board will appear on the August 26, 2008 Primary Election ballot. If no candidate receives more than 50% of the vote, the top two vote-getters advance to the General Election ballot on November 4, 2008. The winning candidate in the District 3 contest will serve the final two years of Mrs. Brown-Curry’s four-year term. The office will be on the ballot for a full four-year term in 2010.

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