

INVESTED IN TOMORROW.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-06 RESOLUTION CALLING FOR NOMINATIONS FOR ONE STATE MEMBER FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM

WHEREAS NMSA 1978, Section 10-11-130(C), provides that the elections of elected members of the retirement board shall be certified at the time of the annual meeting of the association and conducted according to the rules and regulations of the retirement board; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-11-130(D), the regular term of office of the elected members of the retirement board is four years, the term of one retirement board member under a state coverage plan shall expire annually on December 31; and

WHEREAS, the New Mexico Public Employees Retirement Board has adopted rules and regulations establishing procedures for nominating and electing members of the Public Employees Retirement Association for positions on the Public Employees Retirement Board; and

WHEREAS, PERA Rule 2.80.200.70(A) NMAC requires the Public Employees Retirement Board to adopt a resolution during its January meeting specifying when nominating petitions are due to be returned for the non-retired member positions, which shall be not earlier than six months prior and not later than one month prior to the election for the position; and

WHEREAS, PERA Rule 2. 80.200.70(A)(1) NMAC requires that candidates nominated for any non-retired board member position shall be vested members under the Public Employees Retirement Act, Judicial Retirement Act or the Magistrate Retirement Act;

WHEREAS, pursuant to PERA Rule 2.80.200.60(A) NMAC the Public Employees Retirement Board adopted Resolution 20-04a on January 14, 2020, and subsequently amended on January 30, 2020, specifying when nominating petitions are due to be returned to PERA for the state board member position: and

WHEREAS, no state member candidate submitted nominating petitions sufficient to qualify for the 2020 state member ballot; and

WHEREAS, declaration of a public health emergency and stay at home order in the State of New Mexico by Executive Order 2020-004, may have contributed to the inability of state member candidates submitting valid nominating petitions to qualify for the 2020 state member election ballot; and

WHEREAS, NOW, THEREFORE; BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT BOARD as follows:



There is good cause to extend the timeline for the 2020 Board election for the state member position, which shall be held in accordance with PERA Rule 2.80.200 NMAC and the results shall be certified at the PERA annual meeting on Thursday, October 29, 2020, or as such meeting is continued thereafter.

Nominating petitions for one (1) state member position for a four-year term on the Public Employees Retirement Board shall be available from Automated Election Services (1-800-833-5568 ext. 6534) beginning on Monday June 1, 2020. Nominating petitions with original signatures must be received at Automated Election Services, 7000 Zenith Ct., Rio Rancho, New Mexico 87144-6467 by 5 p.m. on Friday, August 14, 2020 to be counted.

The method of voting for the 2020 PERA Board state member election shall be mailed paper ballots.

The Executive Director of the Public Employees Retirement Association is authorized and directed to take any and all steps necessary for the proper conduct of the nominating and election process, including retaining Automated Election Services, an independent contractor firm, for the 2020 Board state member election.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 28TH DAY OF MAY, 2020.

RETIREMENT BOARD OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION OF NEW MEXICO

Melia, PERA Board Chair BY:

ATTEST: **É**xecutive Director

