MEMORANDUM

October 21, 2026

To: DSCC Members and Interested Parties
From: Emma Harper, Director of Operations and Nichole Trujillo Rice, Political Director
Subject: Notice of Special Election at November 2026 Executive Board

---

Overview

Due to the October 20, 2026 resignation of David Campos, CADEM will hold a special election on November 20, 2026, during the virtual 2026 Fall Executive Board Meeting (Nov 20-21, 2026) to elect an Interim California Democratic Party Second Vice Chair (Other Than Self-Identified Female, or OSIF). The candidate filing deadline is November 5, 2026, at 5:00 PM.

Interim CADEM Second Vice Chair (OSIF):
Article III, Section 5 of the CADEM Bylaws states:

> *"In the event that any statewide office shall become vacant, the vacancy shall be filled on a temporary basis by the Executive Board of This Committee and a new election for that office shall be held at the next State Convention of This Committee."*

As is the case for all elections for Statewide officers, the election for Interim CADEM Second Vice Chair (OSIF) by the California Democratic Party Executive Board requires a candidate to receive a majority vote of the Credentialed Executive Board Members voting. If a majority is not reached on the first vote, a runoff election will be held with the two top-performing candidates. To be eligible, candidates must be a current delegate of the Democratic State Central Committee (DSCC) in good standing and identify as other than self-identified female (OSIF).

Date	Time	Event
Wednesday, October 21, 2026	11:00am	Application open to file as a Candidate for Interim CADEM OSIF Vice Chair
Thursday, November 5, 2026	5:00pm	Deadline to file as a Candidate for Interim CADEM OSIF Vice Chair
Friday, November 20, 2026	8:00am - 6:00pm	Election for Interim CADEM OSIF Vice Chair Electronic balloting will open at 8:00am Electronic balloting will close at 6:00pm
Friday, November 20, 2026	8:00pm - 10:00pm	Runoff Election for Interim CADEM OSIF Vice Chair (if needed)

Per the Bylaws, the person elected as Interim CADEM OSIF Vice Chair will serve until the 2027 Organizing Convention, at which time an election will be held to fill the remainder of the current term, which will end at the 2029 Organizing Convention.

Please click here to file as a candidate for Interim CADEM OSIF Vice Chair.

For more details and a list of candidates who have filed, please visit: cadem.org/officer-elections

Please direct any questions to operations@cadem.org.