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SECRETARY MERRILL RECEIVES RESIGNATION OF STATE REPRESENTATIVE GARY HOLDER-WINFIELD

GOVERNOR WILL HAVE 10 DAYS TO ISSUE WRIT OF SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL VACANCY IN 94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

HARTFORD: Secretary of the State Denise Merrill today officially received State Representative Gary Holder-Winfield's resignation from office, effective today at 2:00 p.m. Representative Holder-Winfield was elected State Senator from the 10th district on Tuesday February 25, 2014. Under state law, Governor Dannel P. Malloy will have until March 10, 2014 to issue a Writ of Special Election to choose a successor to Representative Holder-Winfield to represent constituents in the 94th General Assembly district. That special election must be held 46 days following the issuance of the writ of Special Election.

"I have received Representative Holder-Winfield's letter of resignation from the General Assembly effective today," said Secretary Merrill, Connecticut's chief election official. "We all wish Gary good luck as he takes over as the newest State Senator for district 10, a seat vacated by Toni Harp, who now serves as Mayor of New Haven. My office has notified Governor Malloy of Gary's resignation from the General Assembly. As soon as the governor issues the Writ of Special Election, we will notify election officials in New Haven and Hamden when the special election will take place to choose the new representative in the 94th House District."

The 94th General Assembly district covers parts of New Haven and Hamden.

*Resignation Letter Attached