

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-098
VILLAGE OF CALEDONIA**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING A TEMPORARY CHANGE OF POLLING PLACE FOR THE
NOVEMBER 21, 2024 SPECIAL PRIMARY AND DECEMBER 19, 2024 SPECIAL ELECTION**

The Village Board for the Village of Caledonia, Racine County, WI do resolve as follows:

WHEREAS, a Special Primary is to be held on Thursday, November 21, 2024, and a Special Election is to be held on Thursday, December 19, 2024 for the purposes of electing a County Executive for Racine County;

WHEREAS, the established Polling Place for Wards Six, Seven, Eight, Twenty, and Twenty-two is Grace Church located at 3626 Highway 31 in Caledonia, WI;

WHEREAS, Grace Church has notified the Village that it is unable to accommodate the Village only for these two elections due the special elections taking place on Thursdays instead of Tuesdays;

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Caledonia has the authority under Section 5.25(2), Wis. Stat., to establish polling locations;

WHEREAS, there is insufficient time to accomplish the temporary change in a polling location under the normal statutory process under Section 5.25(3), Wis. Stat., due to the lack of the required 30 days between elections in November of 2024;

WHEREAS, under Section 5.25(3)(a), Wis. Stat., the Village Board has the authority to close a polling location to voters on an election day if the majority of the members-elect makes a finding of emergency, and the majority of the members-elect of the Village Board and the Municipal Clerk jointly approve the closure;

WHEREAS, the Village Clerk has provided to the Village Board a letter indicating her approval of the closure of the polling location at Grace Church located at 3626 Highway 31 in Caledonia, WI for the Special Primary on Thursday, November 21, 2024, and a Special Election on Thursday, December 19, 2024 for the purposes of electing a County Executive for Racine County for the reasons stated in this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Caledonia Public Safety Building, located at 5045 Chester Lane, Caledonia, WI 53402 is the nearest available public building that meets all Wisconsin State Statutes and Wisconsin Election Commission guidance to be designated a Polling Place.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Village Board of the Village of Caledonia, hereby declares and finds that an emergency exists necessitating the temporary closure of the polling location at Grace Church located at 3626 Highway 31 in Caledonia, WI only for the Special Primary on Thursday, November 21, 2024, and a Special Election on Thursday, December 19, 2024 for the purposes of electing a County Executive for Racine County for the reasons stated in this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Village Board of the Village of Caledonia that the Caledonia Public Safety Building, located at 5045 Chester Lane, Caledonia, WI 53402 be established and designated as the temporary polling location for Wards Six, Seven, Eight, Twenty, and Twenty-two for the Special Primary on Thursday, November 21, 2024, and a Special Election on Thursday, December 19, 2024 for the purposes of electing a County Executive for Racine County

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Village Board of the Village of Caledonia that nothing herein shall affect the use of Grace Church located at 3626 Highway 31 in Caledonia, WI as a polling location for the Tuesday November 5, 2024 regular general election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Village Board of the Village of Caledonia that the Village Clerk shall do the following in accordance with Section 5.25(3)(a), Wis. Stat.:

1. Posts public notice of the closure on the Village’s website and posts notices in at least 3 different locations within the Village reasonably calculated to notify the most residents of this temporary change;
2. Publishes a Class 3 notice under Ch. 985, Wis. Stats., notifying the public of the closure; or publishes a Class 2 or Class 1 notice under Ch. 985, Wis. Stats., notifying the public of the closure if time does not permit publication of a Class 3 notice; and
3. Designates a proper person who shall be stationed at or as near as possible to the closed location to notify all electors of the closure and of their new temporary polling location.

Adopted by a roll call vote of a majority of the members-elect of the Village Board of the Village of Caledonia, Racine County, Wisconsin, this 24 day of September, 2024.

VILLAGE OF CALEDONIA

By: Thomas R. Weatherston
Thomas Weatherston
Village President

Attest: Jennifer Olsen
Jennifer Olsen
Village Clerk