

# Candidate Name Pronunciation Request

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Name On Ballot	Pronounced As

## ***Pronunciation Guide***

- In the “NAME ON BALLOT” column, enter the name as it appears on your ballot (First, Middle, Last).
- In the “PRONOUNCED AS” column, enter the breakdown using the PRONUNCIATION KEY below. Capitalize STRESSED syllables, use lower case for unstressed syllables.
- You should also add any notes such as rhyming examples, silent letters, etc. Also provide pronunciations for ambiguous place names, first names and surnames. Use dashes (-) to separate syllables.

## ***Samples***

NAME ON BALLOT	PRONOUNCED AS
William Mishaud	mee-SHO (‘d’ is silent)
Sue Jahn	HAHN (rhyme: fawn)
Tim Beauprez	boo-PRAI (rhyme: hooray)
Robert Maniscalco	man-uh-SKAL-ko
Tangipahoa	TAN-ji-pah-HO-uh
Monte Anthony	mahn TAI
Tanya Smither	TAWN-yuh (not TAN)

## **PRONUNCIATION KEY**

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### **Stressed Vowel Sounds**

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EE	(FEET) <i>feet</i>
I	(FIT) <i>fit</i>
E	(BED) <i>bed</i>
A	(KAT) <i>cat</i> (KAD) <i>cad</i>
AH	(FAH-thur) <i>father</i> (PAHR) <i>par</i>
AH	(HAHT) <i>hot</i> (TAH-dee) <i>toddy</i>
UH	(FUHJ) <i>fudge</i> (FLUHD) <i>flood</i>
UH	(CHUHRCH) <i>church</i>
AW	(FAWN) <i>fawn</i>
U	(FUL) <i>full</i>
OO	(FOOD) <i>food</i>
OU	(FOUND) <i>found</i>
O	(FO) <i>foe</i>
EI	(FEIT) <i>fight</i>
AI	(FAIT) <i>fate</i>
OI	(FOIL) <i>foil</i>
YOO	(FYOOR-ee-uhs) <i>furious</i>

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### **Unstressed Vowel Sounds**

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uh	(SO-fuh) <i>sofa</i> (FING-guhr) <i>finger</i>
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### **Certain Vowel Sounds with R**

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AHR	(PAHR) <i>par</i>
ER	<b>(PER) <i>pair</i></b>
IR	(PIR) <i>peer</i>
OR	(POR) <i>pour</i>
OOR	(POOR) <i>poor</i>
UHR	(PUHR) <i>purr</i>

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### **Consonant Sounds**

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B	(BED) <i>bed</i>	TS	(ITS) <i>its</i> (PITS-feeld) <i>Pittsfield</i>
D	(DET) <i>debt</i>	TH	(THEI) <i>Thigh</i>
F	(FED) <i>fed</i>	TH	(THEI) <i>Thy</i>
G	(GET) <i>get</i>	ZH	(A-zhuhr) <i>azure</i> (VI-zhuhn) <i>vision</i>
H	(HED) <i>head</i>	Z	(GOODZ) <i>goods</i> (HUH-buhz-tuhn) <i>Hubbardston</i>
HW	(HWICH) <i>which</i>		
J	(JUHG) <i>jug</i>		
K	(KAD) <i>cad</i>		
L	(LAIM) <i>lame</i>		
M	(MAT) <i>mat</i>		
N	(NET) <i>net</i>		
NG	(SING-uhr) <i>singer</i>		
P	(PET) <i>pet</i>		
R	(RED) <i>red</i>		
S	(SET) <i>set</i>		
T	(TEN) <i>ten</i>		
V	(VET) <i>vet</i>		
Y	(YET) <i>yet</i>		
W	(WICH) <i>witch</i>		
CH	(CHUCRCH) <i>church</i>		
SH	(SHEEP) <i>sheep</i>		