[illegible] They [illegible] [illegible] ties into Company Beats, and cause an election to be held for one Captain and two Lieutenants, (first and second,) for each Company. The Companies to be composed of fifty-six men, each.

So soon as the officers are thus chosen, it will be the duty of each Captain to divide his Company, by lottery, into three classes, which shall be numbered, one, two and three, and be held in a state of readiness for military service, subject to be called out in their numerical order. The Captains will make a full record of their muster rolls, (noting the different classes,) to the Chief Justice of the county, who is hereby required to forward the same, together with a statement of the votes as given in, at the election of the officers, to the Secretary of War.

The Chief Justices may, if they think proper, employ the Sheriffs to aid and assist them; and in those counties where there are no Chief Justice appointed, or where the Chief Justices, from unavoidable circumstances, may not be able to act, the duties, imposed by this Proclamation, will devolve upon the Sheriffs. The compensation for these services must be left to the future action of Congress.

It is expected by the President, that these duties will be performed with as little delay as possible. The necessity of a speedy organization of the Militia, is apparent to all. The safety of our frontier depends upon it. No exhortation is, therefore, considered necessary to stimulate to duty those who are deputed to carry this order into execution; and it is confidently believed that every good citizen will be proud to co-operate in the accomplishment of a measure, so essential to the welfare of the whole country.

As soon as the Companies are formed, and the proper returns made to the War Department, an order will issue for the organization of the Regiments, and the election of the Field and General Officers.

By the President, M. B[illegible]AMAR.

A. Sidney Johnson, *Secretary of War.*

Feb. [illegible], 1839.

IN accordance with the requisitions of the foregoing Proclamation, I have proceeded to lay off the county of San Augustine into Company Beats, as follows:

Beat No. 1—Beginning on the Ayish Bayou, at the north-west corner of the Corporation of the town of San Augustine, and following the line of said Corporation, [illegible] road leading from Main street; thence following said road to the Zavala Road; thence following said Road to the county line; thence on said line until it strikes the waters of Ayish Bayou; thence down said Bayou to the place of beginning.

No. 2 includes that part of the town of San Augustine north of Main street.

Beat No. 3—Beginning on the Ayish Bayou, at the west end of Main street, and running east with said street to the east line of the Corporation; thence with the main road to the crossing of the Cariece; thence down said creek to the Ayish Bayou; thence up said Bayou to the place of beginning.

Beat No. 4—Commencing on the Ayish Bayou, at the mouth of the Cariece; thence running down said Bayou to the mouth of Caney Creek; thence on a direct line to the Attoyaque, so as to leave Speare's Settlement on the north; thence south with the county line until it strikes the Zavala road; thence up said road to the Sabine road; thence with said road to the crossing of the Carece; thence down said creek to the place of beginning.

Beat No. 5—Beginning at the Bridge on the Ayish Bayou, and running west with the main road by William Garrett's, George Teal's, [illegible] place, on the Attoyaque; thence down said stream to the north-west corner of No. 4; thence with the north boundary line of No. 4, to the Ayish Bayou; thence up said Bayou to the place of beginning.

Beat No. 6—Bounded south by No. 5, west by the Attoyaque, north by the county line, and east by the Ayish Bayou, or No. 1.

Given under my hand and seal of office, in the town of San Augustine, on this the 19th day of March, A. D. 1839.

E. O. LEGRAND, C. J. C. C.

March 23, 1839.

NOTICE.—An Election will be held on Saturday, the 13th day of April next, for the purpose of electing one Captain and two Lieutenants, (first and second,) in each Company Beat, in the county of San Augustine.—Elections will be held at the following places, viz:—In Beat No. 1, at the house of Dr. Samuel Thompson; presiding officer, Geo Stovall, Esq. In Beat No. 2, at the Houston Hotel; presiding officer, Henry Morgan, Esq. In Beat No. 3, at R. F. Caldwell's; presiding officer, R. F. Caldwell, Esq. In Beat No. 4, at the house of N. Hunt; presiding officer, James Daniel, Esq. [illegible] No. 5 at [illegible] house of S. Thomas; pre-