

January 21, 2025

The Honorable Scott Fitzpatrick State Auditor State Capitol Building Jefferson City, MO 65101 JAN 2 1 2025
STATE AUDITORS OFFICE

RE:

Petition approval request from Damien Johnson regarding a proposed constitutional amendment

to Article XII, version 2 (2026-024)

Dear Auditor Fitzpatrick:

Enclosed please find an initiative petition sample sheet for a proposal to amend the Missouri Constitution filed by Damien Johnson on January 21, 2025.

We are referring the enclosed petition sample sheet to you for the purposes of preparing a fiscal note and fiscal note summary as required by Section 116.332, RSMo. Section 116.175.2, RSMo requires the state auditor to forward the fiscal note and fiscal note summary to the attorney general within twenty days of receipt of the petition sample sheet.

Thank you for your immediate consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Denny Hoskins

cc: Hon. Andrew Bailey

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It is a class A misdemeanor punishable, notwithstanding the provisions of section 560.021, RSMo, to the contrary, for a term of imprisonment not to exceed one year in the county jail or a fine not to exceed ten thousand dollars or both, for anyone to sign any initiative petition with any name other than his or her own, or knowingly to sign his or her name more than once for the same measure for the same election, or to sign a petition when such person knows he or she is not a registered voter.

## INITIATIVE PETITION

To the Honorable Denny Hoskins, Secretary of State for the state of Missouri:

..... County (or city of St. Louis), respectfully order that the following amendment to the constitution shall be submitted to the voters of the state of Missouri, for their approval or rejection, at the general election to be held on the 3rd day of November, 2026 and each for himself or herself says: I have personally signed this petition; I am a registered voter of the state of Missouri We, the undersigned, registered voters of the state of Missouri and .....

.... County (or city of St. Louis), my registered voting address and the name of the city, town or village in which I live are correctly written after my name.

## CIRCULATOR'S AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI, County Of

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signed this page of the foregoing petition, and each of them signed his or her name thereto in my presence; I believe that each has stated his or her name, registered voting address and city, town or village correctly, and that each signer is a OR PLED GUILTY TO ANY OFFENSE INVOLVING FORGERY

am at least 18 years of age. I

do .... do not .... (check one) expect to be paid for circulating this petition. If paid, list the payer

Printed Name of Affiant) 

Signature of Affiant (Person obtaining

Address of Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ...... day of .....,A.D..

Signature of Notary Address of Notary

My commission expires..... Notary Public (Seal) .....

Be it resolved by the people of the state of Missouri that the Constitution be amended.

This measure amends Article XII of the Constitution by deleting all matters within the enclosed brackets and adding all the underlined matters as required pursuant to section 116.050 RSMO. XII Section 2(b). Submission of amendments proposed by general assembly or by the initiative. — All amendments proposed by the general assembly or by the initiative shall be submitted to the electors for their approval or rejection by official ballot title as may be provided by law, on a separate ballot without party designation, at the next general election, or at a special election called by the governor prior thereto, at which he may submit any of the amendments. No such proposed amendment shall contain more than one amended and revised article of this constitution, or one new article which shall not contain more than one subject and matters properly connected therewith. If possible, each proposed amendment shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in two newspapers of different political faith in each county, the last publication to be not more than thirty nor less than fifteen days next preceding the election. If there be but one newspaper in any county, publication for four consecutive weeks shall be made. If a majority of the votes cast thereon is in favor of any amendment, the same shall take effect at the end of thirty days after the election. More than one amendment at the same election shall be so submitted as to enable the electors to vote on each amendment separately. (C)No person shall qualify as a candidate for elective public office in the state of Missouri who has been found guilty of or pled guilty to a felony or misdemeanor under the federal laws of the United States of America or to a felony under the laws of this state or an offense committed in another state that would be considered a felony in this state. No persons shall qualify as candidate of elective office in the state of Missouri who has been found guilt of or pled guilty to: harassment, sexual misconduct, sexual abuse, child molestation, violence against spouse or dating partner, and weapons offense.

(D) Prohibit a sitting legislator from voting on or introduce bills relating to personal criminal or civil matters for which on trial for. All sitting legislator must recuse themselves from voting on personal criminal or civil matters for

which on trial for because it's a conflict of interest.