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Via regular U.S. Mail

Chad A. Spohn
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Re: Submitted Petition for Initiated Constitutional Amendment to Add Article I, Section 24 to the Ohio Constitution—“Marijuana Rights and Regulations”

Dear Mr. Spohn,

On March 17, 2020, I received a written petition proposing to add Section 24 to Article 1 of the Ohio Constitution, along with a summary of the measure, in accordance with the provisions of Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 3519.01(A). This statute requires that a proposed initiated constitutional amendment contain the signatures of at least one thousand qualified electors. Accordingly, your part-petitions were submitted to the various county boards of elections for verification.

My office has now received reports from county boards of elections and has learned that only 271 of the 1,248 signatures you submitted were verified. Because your submission did not contain the verified signatures of at least one thousand qualified electors, we must reject it. Finally, because the petition failed to meet the signature threshold, I have not made any determination concerning the fairness and truthfulness of the proposed summary.

Yours,

Dave Yost
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