## **Instructions for Petition Circulators**

Note: To circulate petitions, you must be a U.S. citizen, a resident of Michigan, and 18 or older. You do not have to be registered to vote.

## In this package:

- 5 copies of 4 different petitions.
- An IRS form W-4, Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate
- A direct deposit authorization form
- A postage-paid envelope for returning petitions

You do not have get all the petition forms filled with signatures before you return them to us. Partially-filled petitions are OK.

As soon as you return the petitions (and other forms), we will send you a new supply. We will send 5 copies of each petition unless you include a note telling us otherwise.

You do not have to apply postage to the return envelope. Postage is on us.

To include all the necessary changes to the Constitution, the petition to eliminate the state Senate has a 1-sheet extension. **Do not** detach the extension.

You will be paid \$1 per valid signature. To be valid, the signer must be registered to vote in the county indicated at the top of the petition. People should be encouraged to sign all 4 petitions, but no one can sign the same petition more than once.

You will be paid for each batch of petitions you return (providing you have returned your W-4). As quickly as possible, we will count the valid signatures and send you a check (or deposit it in your bank account, if you ask us to) for that amount minus income tax withholding. Next January, we will send you a W-2 form showing how much you earned and how much was withheld for taxes.

Start by printing the name of your county at the top of the petition. If you find a person who wishes to sign but is not registered in that county, use a different sheet and print his/her county at the top. Do not sign your name at the bottom until all signature lines are full, or until you are ready to return a partially-filled sheet. When you sign, you attest to the following:

I, the circulator of this petition, assert that I am qualified to circulate this petition, that each signature on the petition was signed in my presence; and that, to my best knowledge and belief, each signature is the genuine signature of the person purporting to sign the petition, the person signing the petition was at the time of

signing a qualified registered elector of the city or township indicated preceding the signature, and the elector was qualified to sign the petition.

A clipboard is handy for keeping petition forms organized and providing a solid surface to write on. Office Max has a legal-size recycled hardboard clipboard for \$2.29. Sorry, but we do not provide clipboards and pens.

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