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ARKANSAS SECRETARY OF STATE

August 2, 2022

Stephen R. Lancaster, Responsible Growth Arkansas  
200 W. Capitol Ave., Suite 2300  
Little Rock, AR 72201

*Sent via email & regular mail*

RE: Proposed Constitutional Amendment  
Popular Name: An Amendment to Authorize the Possession, Personal Use, and  
Consumption of Cannabis by Adults, to Authorize the Cultivation and Sale of Cannabis  
by Licensed Commercial Facilities, and to Provide for the Regulation of those Facilities

Dear Mr. Lancaster:

The petition submitted for the proposed Constitutional Amendment referenced above has met the signature requirements as established by Article 5, Section 1 of the Arkansas Constitution. An appropriate Certification of Sufficiency is enclosed.

Due to time constraints, The Secretary of State did not process or verify the entire petition submitted by Responsible Growth Arkansas. The overall initial count of signatures processed by the Secretary of State for the proposed Constitutional Amendment was 159,961.

For a proposed Constitutional Amendment, the required number of valid signatures in 2022 is 89,151. The Secretary of State verified no less than 90,375 signatures. Once the required number of signatures was met, the Secretary of State began the process of verifying the next petition submitted to our office.

The Secretary of State intends to certify the proposed Constitutional Amendment to the County Boards of Election Commissioners in August of 2022.

The Secretary of State will publish notice of the proposed Constitutional Amendment as directed by Article 5, Section 1, of the Arkansas Constitution and Ark. Code Ann. § 7-9-113. Pursuant to Act 982 of 2017, the petition sponsor shall reimburse the cost of this publication to the Secretary of State within thirty (30) calendar days of notification of the final costs for publication.

Best Regards,

John Thurston  
Secretary of State

Enclosure: Certification of Sufficiency (as indicated)