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To: All Interested Parties

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Re: Signature Requirements for Qualifying
Initiative and Referendum Petitions

Attached is a report that shows the number of signatures required to qualify an initiative or referendum petition for an upcoming ballot. The applicable code sections are also included.

This report will be updated periodically, and copies distributed. The applicable report is indicated in the chart below.

YEAR	REPORT ATTACHED:	VOTERS REGISTERED BY:	DAYS BEFORE/ELECTION TYPE
2023		February 10	Required each odd-numbered year
	X	October 3, 2023	154/Primary
2024		January 5, 2024	60/Primary
		February 19, 2024	15/Primary
		July 5, 2024	123/General
		September 6, 2024	60/General
		October 21, 2024	15/General

Attachment "6"
**SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS TO QUALIFY
INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS**

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO			
Based on the votes cast throughout the COUNTY for Governor in November 2022; the number of signatures required is effective until the November 2026 election.			
TYPE OF PETITION	GOVERNED BY CA ELECTIONS CODE	PERCENT REQUIRED	SIGNATURES REQUIRED
Initiative Petition	Section 9118	10% of 1,029,228	102,923
Referendum Petition	Section 9144		
CHARTER CITIES IN THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO			
CITIES OF: CARLSBAD, CHULA VISTA, DEL MAR, EL CAJON, OCEANSIDE, SAN MARCOS, SANTEE and VISTA: Procedures/signatures for an initiative or referendum are the same as General Law Cities, shown on the next page.			
CITY OF SAN DIEGO			
A measure would be placed on the ballot at the NEXT REGULAR CITYWIDE election; not at a special election.			
TYPE OF PETITION	LAWS GOVERNING	PERCENT REQUIRED	SIGNATURES REQUIRED
Initiative Petition	San Diego City M.C. §27.0104	3% of 800,192 10% of 800,192 (Based on registered voters at last General Election 11/8/2022)	24,006 80,020
Referendum Petition		5% of 800,192 (Based on registered voters at last General Election 11/8/2022)	40,010
Charter Amendment	California Elections Code Section 9255	15% of 801,009 (Based on latest report of registration to SOS 10/3/2023)	120,152

REPORT OF REGISTRATION TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Attachment 6

These figures listed below are based on the Registrar of Voters latest report of Registration to the Secretary of State.

Date of this report: 10/3/2023

DATES TO SUBMIT STATEMENT OF REGISTRATION TO SECRETARY OF STATE California Elections Code Section 2187				
Election Date	Sent to SOS on these Dates		Based on Voters Registered as of these Dates	
	DAYS BEFORE/ ELECTION TYPE	DATES (NOT LATER THAN DATES LISTED)	DAYS BEFORE/ ELECTION TYPE	DATES FOR 2023/2024
2023	On or before March 1	March 1, 2023	Odd year report	February 10, 2023
March 5, 2024	135/Direct Primary	October 22, 2023	154/Direct Primary	October 3, 2023
	50/Direct Primary	January 15, 2024	60/Direct Primary	January 5, 2024
	7/Primary	February 27, 2024	15/Primary	February 19, 2024
November 5, 2024	102/General	July 26, 2024	123/General	July 5, 2024
	50/General	September 16, 2024	60/General	September 6, 2024
	7/General	October 29, 2024	15/General	October 21, 2024
GENERAL LAW CITIES				
TYPE OF PETITION		CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS CODE	PERCENT REQUIRED (Of reg. voters)	SIGNATURES REQUIRED
Initiative Petition to consolidate with NEXT REGULAR MUNICIPAL election		Section 9215	10%	(See Below)
Referendum Petition – next REGULAR OR SPECIAL election		Section 9237	10%	
Charter Amendment		Section 9255	15%	
CITY		REGISTERED VOTERS	10%	
*Carlsbad		81,177	8,118	
*Chula Vista		166,692	16,670	
Coronado		11,116	1,112	
*Del Mar		3,248	325	
*El Cajon		51,476	5,148	
Encinitas		44,380	4,439	
Escondido		77,478	7,748	
Imperial Beach		13,903	1,391	
La Mesa		37,299	3,730	
Lemon Grove		15,821	1,583	
National City		28,025	2,803	
*Oceanside		105,944	10,595	
Poway		32,928	3,293	
*San Diego		(See preceding page)		
*San Marcos		52,933	5,294	
*Santee		38,011	3,802	
Solana Beach		9,495	950	
*Vista		51,665	5,167	

*Charter Cities: San Diego and Chula Vista have specific election laws as a part of each charter. Carlsbad, El Cajon, Del Mar, Oceanside, San Marcos, Santee and Vista follow the general laws of the State of California concerning elections.