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***Via Regular U.S. Mail and E-Mail***

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted  
180 E. Broad St.  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re: Proposed Initiated Constitutional Amendment to Amend Article XV, Section 11 of the Ohio Constitution, the Freedom to Marry and Religious Freedom Amendment

Dear Mr. Husted,

On April 4, 2014, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 3519.01(A), I received a written petition containing (1) a copy of a proposed initiated constitutional amendment to Article XV, Section 11 of the Ohio Constitution, and (2) a summary of the same measure.

It is my statutory duty to determine whether the submitted summary “is a fair and truthful statement of the proposed law.” ORC 3519.01(A). If I conclude that the summary is fair and truthful, I am to certify it as such within ten days of receipt of the petition. In this instance, the tenth day falls on Monday, April 14, 2014.

Having examined the submission, I conclude that the summary is a fair and truthful statement of the proposed law. I therefore submit the following certification to you:

Without passing upon the advisability of the approval or rejection of the measure to be referred, but pursuant to the duties imposed upon the Attorney General’s Office under Section 3519.01(A) of the Ohio Revised Code, I hereby certify that the summary is a fair and truthful statement of the proposed constitutional amendment.

Very respectfully yours,

Mike DeWine  
Ohio Attorney General

cc: Jack Christopher, Chief Counsel (via email)