TO: The Honorable Sean Parnell  
Lieutenant Governor

FROM: Gail Fenumiai, Director  
Division of Elections

DATE: March 10, 2008

SUBJECT: Initiative Petition 07CASE — “An Act establishing a program of public funding for campaigns for state elected offices, to be known as the Alaska Clean Elections Act.”

The Division of Elections has reviewed signatures contained in the submitted petition booklets and has determined there are a sufficient number of signatures from subscribers who reside in all 40 house districts in support of this petition.

Under AS 15.45.140 and Article XI, Section 3 of the Alaska Constitution, an initiative petition is required to have signatures from “qualified voters equal in number to 10 percent of those who voted in the preceding general election and are resident in at least three-fourths of the house districts in the State and who, in each of those house districts, are equal in number to least seven percent of those who voted in the preceding general election in the house district.”

23,831 signatures were required and to date the Division of Elections has qualified 25,091 signatures. The petition contains at least 7% qualified signatures from each of the 30 house districts in the state as required by law.

The Division continues to manually review and qualify signatures from the petition booklets to ensure that voters who signed the petition are identified as having made “contact” with the Division. This contact is important for our voter registration list maintenance process, as described in AS 15.07.130. Subparagraph (f) states that for the purposes of list maintenance, one of the ways that a voter makes contact with the Division is by signing a petition for a ballot measure.

Enclosures

cc: Sarah Felix, AAG  
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