

California Elections Code – Ballot Arguments, Form of Statement to be filed

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§§9164, 9283, 9501.5 A ballot argument shall not be accepted unless accompanied by the printed name and signature or printed names and signatures of the person or persons submitting it, or, if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers.

No more than five signatures shall appear with any argument submitted under this article. In case any argument is signed by more than five persons, the signatures of the first five shall be printed.

REQUIRED FORM STATEMENT

§9600. All arguments concerning measures filed pursuant to this division shall be accompanied by the following form statement, to be **signed by each proponent** of the argument:

The undersigned proponent(s) or signer(s) of the PRIMARY argument IN FAVOR OF
(primary/rebuttal) (in favor of/against)
ballot proposition M at the GENERAL election for the CITY OF PACIFIC GROVE
(name or letter) (title of election) (name of district/jurisdiction)
to be held on 11/6/18 hereby state that this argument is true and correct to the best of THEIR knowledge and belief.
(date) (his/her/their)

Signatures of Proponents (in order of appearance):

- (1) Printed Name JOAN L. HYLER Title (one) Resident
Signed Joan L Hyler Date 8/14/2018
- (2) Printed Name Kim M Akeman Title (one) Resident
Signed K.M Akeman Date 8/14/2018
- (3) Printed Name Teresa Stasio Title (one) Resident
Signed Teresa Stasio Date 8/14/2018
- (4) Printed Name DR. TED HOLLISTER Title (one) Resident
Signed Dr Ted Hollister Date 8/14/18
- (5) Printed Name LUKE COLETTI Title (one) Resident
Signed Luke Coletti Date 8/14/18

Filer:

- (1) Printed Name LUKE COLETTI Title (one) Initiative Petition Filer
Signed Luke Coletti Date 8/14/18

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE M

For over 100 years Pacific Grove has been known as a "City of Homes." The Pacific Grove City Charter, General Plan, and Municipal Code recognize that Pacific Grove is "primarily a city of homes" and that "business and industry shall be compatible with its residential character." Measure M affirms Pacific Grove as a City of Homes by limiting Short-Term Vacation Rentals, which are not compatible with Pacific Grove's residential character.

Short-Term Vacation Rentals (STRs) are simply not compatible with residential uses. Our neighbors – Monterey and Carmel – wisely prohibit STRs in residential areas and actively pursue violators to protect their neighborhoods. The city's zoning code historically prohibited STRs in residential zoning districts, but in 2010 the city abandoned its longstanding commitment to its neighborhoods to instead extract hotel tax from residential neighborhoods. A city should never become dependent on hotel tax revenue from residential neighborhoods, but that's exactly what's happened in Pacific Grove.

Since then residents have been evicted to make room for STRs, outside investors have swooped in to take advantage of the new commerce, neighborhoods have been negatively changed, and the inns and motels important to our local economy for years say they have been hurt.

The city's lottery in May was intended to reduce the density of STRs in some areas, with 51 of the licenses being retired next April. However, 45 of the 51 licenses will become available for new locations. If you don't have one next door yet, you may soon.

Measure M is a zoning measure. VOTE YES to restore zoning rules that protect residential neighborhoods. VOTE YES to limit Short-Term Vacation Rentals. Visit www.pgneighbors.com for further details.

/s/ Joan Hyler, Resident
/s/ Kim Akeman, Resident
/s/ Teresa Stasio, Resident
/s/ Ted Hollister, Resident
/s/ Luke Coletti, Resident

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