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July 21, 2026

Orange County Registrar of Voters
Attn: Election Services Division
1300 South Grand Avenue, Building C
Santa Ana, CA 92705

Subject: Request for Signature Verification – Initiative Petitions: Newport Beach District-Based Elections, Newport Beach City Council Term Limits, and Newport Beach Government Transparency

Dear Registrar of Voters:

The City of Newport Beach respectfully requests full signature verification of the three (3) initiative petitions: Newport Beach District-Based Elections, Newport Beach City Council Term Limits, and Newport Beach Government Transparency, which were submitted to our office on July 7, 2026.

The Newport Beach Government Transparency initiative contains 1,066 petition sections and approximately 12,144 signatures. The Newport Beach City Council Term Limits initiative contains 1,085 petition sections and approximately 12,722 signatures. The Newport Beach District-Based Elections initiative consists of 1,065 petition sections and approximately 12,197 signatures. The circulation period for all three initiatives was May 7, 2026, through July 6, 2026.

Based on the July 2026 voter registration report, the required number of valid signatures for each initiative is 9,029. We request that your office conduct a full verification of the signatures and verify the required number of signatures, plus an additional twenty-five (25) signatures, in accordance with your standard verification practices.

If you require any additional information or documentation to begin the verification process, please contact our office at your convenience.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Lena Shumway
City Clerk, City of Newport Beach
949-644-3005