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The Honorable Kim Wyman
Elections Division
ATTN: Initiative and Referendum
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Re: Initiative No. 1644

Dear Secretary Wyman:

Pursuant to RCW 29A.72.060, we supply herewith the ballot title and ballot measure summary for Initiative No. 1644 to the People (an act relating to affirmative action).

BALLOT TITLE

Statement of Subject: Initiative Measure No. 1644 concerns affirmative action and preferential treatment.

Concise Description: This measure would allow government to implement affirmative action that does not constitute preferential treatment in public employment, education, and contracting in certain circumstances and would define affirmative action and preferential treatment.

Should this measure be enacted into law? Yes [] No []

BALLOT MEASURE SUMMARY

This measure would amend state law to allow government to remedy, in the areas of public employment, education, and contracting, documented or proven discrimination against military veterans and certain historically underrepresented or disadvantaged groups. It would amend state law to allow government to implement affirmative action that does not constitute preferential treatment in certain circumstances. It would define affirmative action and preferential treatment. The measure would establish a Governor's commission on diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Sincerely,



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