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The Honorable Steve Hobbs  
Elections Division  
ATTN: Initiative and Referendum  
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Re: Initiative No. 1853

Dear Secretary Hobbs:

Pursuant to RCW 29A.72.060, we supply herewith the ballot title and ballot measure summary for Initiative No. 1853 to the People (an act relating to banning medical mandates).

**BALLOT TITLE**

Statement of Subject: Initiative Measure No. 1853 concerns prohibiting the imposition of certain mandatory public health measures.

Concise Description: This measure would prohibit government entities from requiring measures like vaccinations, mask-wearing, or lockdowns; and require private/governmental entities enforcing such measures to include exemptions and assume liability for any injuries resulting from compliance.

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

**BALLOT MEASURE SUMMARY**

This measure would prohibit the governor and any Washington state governmental entities, including cities or counties, from imposing mandatory medical procedures such as: vaccinations, mask-wearing, medical passports, digital identifications, social credit systems, and lockdowns. Any private or governmental entity enforcing such policies must allow for medical, religious, and philosophical exemptions and assume full liability should any related injuries occur from these policies. This measure applies to states of emergency, executive orders, and legislative acts.

Sincerely,

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