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The Municipal Clerk’s Office has certified Initiative Petition 2017-2, “Regulating Access to Facilities Such as Locker Rooms and Bathrooms on the Basis of Sex at Birth, Rather Than Gender Identity.” The measure will appear on the ballot for the April 3, 2018 Regular Municipal Election as Proposition 1.

In reviewing the signatures on the petition, the Municipal Clerk’s Office followed Anchorage Municipal Code sections 2.50.040D. and 2.50.050, as amended by AO 2017-41 and AO 2017-93. For each signature counted, the Clerk’s Office confirmed:

- The person’s name was printed;
- The person’s address of residence was provided (you can’t live in a P.O. Box);
- The person provided an identifier;
- The person signed the petition;
- The signature was dated (within the 90 days of circulation); and
- The above was written legibly.

Individuals signing the petition must be registered voters within the Municipality of Anchorage, which is confirmed using the State of Alaska Voter Registration Database. Persons who request to have their signatures removed from the petition may do so by Thursday, July 27, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

After removing duplicates and signatures that did not comply with code, the Municipal Clerk’s Office confirmed that over 6,200 signatures were qualified registered voters that followed provisions of the code. The Anchorage Municipal Charter requires a petition to be signed by a number of qualified voters equal to at least ten percent of the voters who cast ballots at the last regular mayor election; in this instance that is at least 5,754 signatures.

If, at the April 3, 2018 Regular Municipal Election, a majority of the qualified voters that vote on the question favor the initiative “Regulating Access to Facilities Such as Locker Rooms and Bathrooms on the Basis of Sex at Birth, Rather Than Gender Identity,” then the measure will become effective upon certification of the election results.

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