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OPINION LETTER NO. 104-2021

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft Missouri Secretary of State James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center 600 West Main Street Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated August 6, 2021 for our review under § 116.334, RSMo of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mitchell Hubbard, 2022-041. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to prohibit state, county and local governments from:

- · declaring any non-governmental entities essential and others non-essential;
- using data from electronic devices to track the movement of citizens, including license plate readers;
- · interfering with the right of individuals or churches to worship;
- denying residents in a senior care or healthcare facility to visit friends and family even during a quarantine period;
- contracting with businesses that require employees to be vaccinated for COVID-19;
 and
- punishing individuals for spreading COVID-19 unless they are a healthcare employee or government official?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours.

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