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OPINION LETTER NO. 16-2025

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

Dear Secretary Hoskins:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 8, 2025 for our review under § 116.332, RSMo of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Katherine Floyd, Chapter 213, 2026-020.

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

failure to correctly include only those sections of existing law to be repealed or amended as required by Section 116.050 and Article III, Section 50.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and "make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition."

Very truly yours,

ANDREW BAILEY Attorney General

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