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OPINION LETTER NO. 328-2023

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 30, 2023, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article I, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Jamie Corley, 2024-129.

Please consider this correspondence to be the required notice of the Attorney General under § 116.332.3. This Office did not identify a basis to reject the measure as to form under the relevant provisions of Chapter 116, RSMo. Section 116.332 gives the Secretary of State to review the measure and make the final decision to approve or reject the petition as to form. Therefore, this Office's letter does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,



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