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**OPINION LETTER NO. 37-2025** 

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 revised request dated February 24, 2025 for our review under § 116.334, RSMo of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Katherine Floyd, 2026-018. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to change the definition of marriage:

- From "A valid marriage in the state of Missouri shall exist only between a man and a woman:"
- To "the right to marry is a fundamental right for any two consenting adults...All such marriages are valid and recognized in this state?"

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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