

Attachment D – Signature Statement

(Elections Code Section 9600)

All arguments and rebuttals concerning measures filed pursuant to Division 9 of the Elections Code shall be accompanied by the following statement to be signed by each author of the argument. Names and titles listed will be printed in the Voter's Information Pamphlet in the order provided below and will appear as indicated below.

"The undersigned author(s) of the:

- Argument in Favor of
- Argument Against
- Rebuttal to the Argument in Favor of
- Rebuttal to the Argument Against

ballot measure (insert letter) L at the General
(Type of election: primary, general, special)

election for the City of Watsonville
(jurisdiction – name of district)

to be held on November 8, 2016 hereby state that such argument
(Election date)

is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief."
(his/her/their)

Argument/Rebuttal Filed by: (check any of the following that apply)

This information will be provided on the County Clerk/Elections Website

Board of Supervisors or Governing Board
 Contact Person's Printed Name: Felipe Hernandez
 Contact Person's Signature: [Signature]
 Title: Mayor of Watsonville
 Phone: 831 707 4392 FAX: _____
 E-Mail: Felipe.hernandez@cityofwatsonville.org

Bona Fide Association of Citizens or Filers of Special District Initiative
 Name of Association: _____
 Principal Officer's Printed Name: _____
 Principal Officer's Signature: _____
 Title: _____
 Phone: _____ FAX: _____
 E-Mail: _____

Attach list of officers if document relates to a school district measure

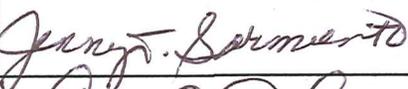
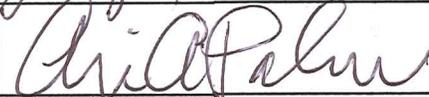
Individual voter who is eligible to vote on the measure
 Printed Name: _____
 Signature of Voter: _____
 Address Where You Live: _____
 Phone: _____ FAX: _____
 E-Mail: _____

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Check one of the following and write-in the letter assigned to the measure:

- Argument in Favor of Measure L
- Argument Against Measure _____
- Rebuttal to Argument in Favor of Measure _____
- Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure _____

The signatures of the following persons will be printed **as submitted** below following the argument or rebuttal.

Signature	Print Name as it will appear in the Voter's Information Pamphlet	Print Title and Name of Organization (if applicable) as it will appear in the Voter's Information Pamphlet.	Are you signing on behalf of an Organization? YES or NO*	Date
	Felipe Hernandez	MAYOR City of Watsonville	No	Aug 19 2016
	JENNY T. SARMIENTO	WATSONVILLE PLANNING COMMISSIONER	NO	Aug 19, 2016
	Ari Parker	PVUSD Teacher	NO	Aug. 19, 2016
	LAURA M. OWEN	Credit Union Branch Manager	No	08.19.2016
	Henry Robles	Watsonville Police Sergeant	No	8-19-2016

*If the argument or rebuttal is being submitted on behalf of an organization, at least one of its principal officers must sign. In the Voter Pamphlet there will be an asterisk printed next to the name and the following notation:

***Signing on behalf of the organization listed below the name.**

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The City of Watsonville is moving forward in accordance to state regulations by drafting fair and balanced local laws by which cannabis may be responsibly provided by prescription, without creating a public nuisance.

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The existing cannabis ordinance attempts to balance the needs of medical patients, caregivers, and legitimate medical cannabis businesses, with the need to protect our neighborhoods and community and act with respect for our community.

This tax is paid by the cannabis businesses -- not patients, caregivers or those who purchase cannabis for personal use. All revenue collected will stay local, to protect and maintain our neighborhoods, business districts, parks and open spaces.

In recent years, the prolonged economic recession caused major reductions in city services. Measure L will provide new revenue, which will be used for many general purposes, such as:

Police and Fire Service
Parks and Community Services
Community and Social Services
City Libraries
Community Development

Measure L creates a business tax only for cannabis businesses, not all businesses. It does not authorize new cannabis dispensaries or businesses. Measure L is nearly identical to the proposed cannabis business tax passed in the unincorporated county. Passage of the tax ensures consistent regulation across our region.

State law requires that any new tax must be approved by the voters. Measure L is supported unanimously by the City Council, and will help support essential services to benefit our community.