



CERTIFICATION OF REFERENDUM 71

Pursuant to Article II, Section 1 of the Washington State Constitution and RCW 29A.72.230, the Office of the Secretary of State has examined the signatures submitted in support of Referendum 71 in the following manner:

1) It was determined that 137,881 signatures were submitted in support of the referendum;

2) Each signature was examined to determine if the signer was a registered voter of the state, if the signature was reasonably similar to the signature appearing in the voter registration record of that voter, and if the same signature appeared more than once on the petition. We found 122,007 valid signatures, 13,770 signatures that were invalid due to non-registration or improper form, and 2,104 signatures that duplicated valid signatures;

3) The total number of valid signatures required by Article II, Section 1 of the Washington State Constitution is 120,577;

4) Since the number of valid signatures contained on the petition sheets is greater than that required by the Washington State Constitution, I hereby declare Referendum 71 to be sufficient.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and affixed the official seal of the State of Washington, this 2nd day of September, 2009.





SAM REED
Secretary of State