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December 9, 2015

Honorable Barbara K. Cegavske, Secretary of State
Nevada State Capitol Building
101 North Carson Street, Suite 3
Carson City, NV 89701

Re: Designation of Public Buildings to Gather Signatures on Petitions

Dear Ms. Cegavske,

Enclosed is a copy of Douglas County's Notice of Designation of Public Buildings to Gather Signatures on Petitions for your 2016.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call me at 775-782-9821.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Debbie Beam
Administrative Services Manager

XC Kathy Lewis, Clerk/Treasurer
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MEMORANDUM

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To: All County Employees

From: Jim Nichols, County Manager *JN*

Date: December 9, 2015

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Please be advised that you may be approached in the 2016 election year by individuals gathering signatures on petitions at our public buildings. The 2005 Nevada Legislature, through Senate Bill 224, amended NRS 293.127565. This law requires counties to designate an area in public buildings for petitioners to gather signatures on petitions.

The amended NRS 293.127565 states the following:

"At each public building that is open to the public and occupied by the government of this state or a political subdivision of this state or an agency thereof, an area must be designated for the use of any person to gather signatures on a petition at any time that the building is open to the public."

In accordance with this statute, the following building areas have been designated as locations where signatures may be gathered by petitioners in our public buildings:

<u>Building</u>	<u>Designated Area</u>
Minden Inn	Lobby between staircase and front window
Historic Courthouse	In alcove to the right of main entrance
Minden Library	Patio area outside main entrance
Judicial/Law Enforcement Bldg	In breezeway between secure entrance doors
Parks Building	Sidewalk between Recreation Bldg and Cooperative Extension Bldg
Lampe Park	Sidewalk next to parking lot in front of Gazebo
Community and Senior Center	Lobby in Senior Center/Lobby in Gymnasium
Tahoe Service Center	Ground floor lobby next to Sheriff's counter
Kahle Community Center	Sidewalk on north side of main entrance
Gardnerville Town Office	Sidewalk left of entrance
Minden Town Office	Sidewalk left of entrance
Fire Station #7-Ranchos	Lobby inside career staff entrance

Designated areas in public buildings other than those listed above will be identified on an as requested basis. The area designated above for the Kahle Community Center, the Historic Courthouse and Fire Station #7-Ranchos will not be used during early voting and election days due to a state law that prohibits electioneering within 100 feet from the polling location (NRS 293.740). Election staff will determine an appropriate location for petitioners on those days.

While petition gatherers have the right to solicit individuals to sign a petition, they are to remain in the areas designated for signature gathering. Petition gatherers must not interfere with county operations in any way, hinder any person entering or exiting a county building, or obstruct access by public safety personnel.

Your help may be needed to remind petitioners to stay in the areas designated for signature gathering. Please escort petition gatherers back to the designated area if they wander.

Petition gatherers are supposed to contact the county in advance when they plan to gather signatures at our public buildings. When possible, I will send out a notice to employees when I learn that petition gatherers will be at our public buildings.

Please direct all issues and questions to my attention. I can be reached at x9821.

Thanks and have a great day.

XC Kathy Lewis, County Clerk-Treasurer
Mark Jackson, District Attorney