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Initiative Coordinator Office of the Attorney General State of California PO Box 994255 Sacramento, CA 94244-25550

Re: <u>Amendment of Proposed Initiative No. 17-0033 "Voter Approval for Increases in</u> <u>Gas and Car Tax"</u>

Dear Initiative Coordinator:

With this letter I submit an amendment to the above-referenced proposed statewide initiative measure in accordance with Elections Code section 9002. I am the proponent of the measure and a registered voter in the State of California. Please prepare a circulating title and summary of the measure using the amended language as provided by law.

Enclosed with this letter please find the text of the proposed measure as amended.

Thank you for your attention to processing my request.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas W. Hiltachk

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INITIATIVE MEASURE TO BE SUBMITTED DIRECTLY TO THE VOTERS

SECTION 1. STATEMENT OF FINDINGS AND PURPOSES

- (a) California's taxes on gasoline and car ownership are among the highest in the nation.
- (b) These taxes have been raised without the consent of the people.
- (c) Therefore, the people hereby amend the Constitution to require voter approval of the recent increase in the gas and car tax enacted by Chapter 5 of the Statutes of 2017 and any future increases in the gas and car tax.

SECTION 2. VOTER APPROVAL FOR INCREASES IN GAS AND CAR TAX

Section 3.5 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution is added to read:

Sec. 3.5(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Legislature shall not impose, increase or extend any tax, as defined in section 3, on the sale, storage, use or consumption of motor vehicle gasoline or diesel fuel, or on the privilege of a resident of California to operate on the public highways a vehicle, or trailer coach, unless and until that proposed tax is submitted to the electorate and approved by a majority vote.

(b) This section does not apply to taxes on motor vehicle gasoline or diesel fuel, or on the privilege of operating a vehicle or trailer coach at the rates that were in effect on January 1, 2017. Any increase in the rate of such taxes imposed after January 1, 2017 shall cease to be imposed unless and until approved by the electorate as required by this section.