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Via E-mail

November 29, 2018

Julie Wise, Director
King County Elections
919 Southwest Grady Way
Renton, WA 98057-2906

Subject: *Proposed Initiative Measure No. 128*

Dear Ms. Wise:

Please be advised that the proposed subject initiative petition was filed with my office as Clerk File No. 321062 on Tuesday, November 20, 2018. This initiative petition has been designated Initiative Measure No. 128, repealing Seattle's tax on the distribution of sweetened beverages.

The Seattle City Attorney's Office has prepared the following ballot title:

**THE CITY OF SEATTLE
INITIATIVE MEASURE NUMBER 128**

Initiative 128 concerns repealing Seattle's tax on the distribution of sweetened beverages.

If passed, this initiative would repeal Seattle Municipal Code Chapter 5.53, which imposes a tax on the distribution of sweetened beverages for retail sale in Seattle. Up to \$6,500,000 of tax proceeds are dedicated to the Promise College program and job training. The remainder may be spent on administration of the tax, preschool, and healthy-food programs. The initiative would also remove references elsewhere in the Seattle Municipal Code to Chapter 5.53.

Should this measure be enacted into law?

Yes
No

[End of Title]

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The proponent of the initiative has been informed that the minimum number of resident registered voter signatures required is 22,040 and shall be filed in accordance with the guidelines provided by the City Clerk's Office no later than Tuesday, May 28, 2019, at 5:00 p.m., for subsequent submittal to your office for verification of sufficiency of signatures.

Should you have any questions or if you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (206) 684-8361 or email monica.simmons@seattle.gov.

Sincerely,



Monica Martinez Simmons
City Clerk

cc: Elizabeth Campbell, Safe and Affordable Seattle
Mayor Jenny Durkan
City Councilmembers
Peter Holmes, City Attorney
Wayne Barnett, Executive Director, SEEC