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**LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT**

Via E-mail and USPS

March 15, 2017

Dan Malone  
Reduce Seattle Homelessness Now  
119 First Avenue S., Suite 320  
Seattle WA 98104

SUBJECT: *Proposed Initiative Measure No. 126,  
concerning housing and services to reduce homelessness*

Dear Mr. Malone:

Please be advised the ballot title for proposed Initiative Measure No. 126, filed on Wednesday, March 8, 2017, has been prepared by the City Attorney's Office in accordance with SMC 2.08.020 and RCW 29A.36.071. The title reads as follows:

**THE CITY OF SEATTLE**  
**INITIATIVE MEASURE NUMBER 126**

City of Seattle Initiative Measure 126 concerns a levy for housing and services to reduce homelessness.

If approved, this initiative would provide homeless persons expanded housing options, enhanced outreach, and increased services, including mental health and substance abuse treatment. An independent panel will provide oversight. Contracts for services will be competitively awarded.

These efforts will be funded by \$275,000,000 in additional regular property taxes above RCW 84.55 limits over five years limited to \$55,000,000 per year. The tax rate in 2017 is limited to \$3.60/\$1000 of assessed value, including approximately \$0.27/\$1,000 value in additional taxes.

Should this initiative measure be approved?

Yes [ ]

No [ ]

[End of Title]

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The initiative process is outlined in Article IV, Section 1 of the City Charter, Seattle Municipal Code Section 2.08, and the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 29A.36.071, 29A.36.080 and 29A.36.090. Please be advised the signed petitions for Initiative Measure No. 126 must be filed with the City Clerk within 180 days from approval notification. The 180-day count will begin Thursday, March 16, 2017. The number of signatures required shall be equal to or not less than ten percent of the total number of votes cast for the office of Mayor at the last preceding municipal election (2013). The minimum number of resident registered voter signatures required is 20,638. The last date that signatures may and shall be filed with my office is Monday, September 11, 2017, at 5:00 p.m. Once the petitions are filed, the appropriate documentation and petition signatures will be processed and transmitted to the King County Elections Department for verification of the sufficiency of signatures in accordance with state law. If King County Elections Department determines there are insufficient verified signatures, an additional 20-day period shall be allowed.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (206) 684-8361 or via e-mail at [monica.simmons@seattle.gov](mailto:monica.simmons@seattle.gov).

Sincerely,



Monica Martinez Simmons  
City Clerk

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