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## CITY CLERK CERTIFIES SUFFICIENCY OF SIGNATURES ON INITIATIVE ORDINANCE PETITION

### BUILDING MORATORIUM RESTRICTIONS ON GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENTS

LOS ANGELES— Los Angeles City Clerk Holly L. Wolcott announced today that the number of verified signatures filed by proponents relative to *Building Moratorium; Restrictions on General Plan Amendments; Required Review of General Plan*, has achieved sufficiency.

The petition contained 103,816 signatures. In order for the petition to be deemed sufficient, 61,487\* valid signatures were required. As provided by the City's Election Code, the City Clerk utilized a random sampling procedure which included the examination of at least 5% of the signatures. The statistical sampling showed that the number of valid signatures was 110%, or more of the number needed to declare the petition sufficient, which satisfied the minimum threshold. The City Clerk certified the results on September 16, 2016, and prepared and presented a Certification of Sufficiency report to the City Council.

Charter Section 452 provides that the Council must take one of the following three actions within 20 days of the Clerk's transmittal of the Certificate of Sufficiency to the City Council:

1. Adopt the proposed ordinance without alteration;
2. Call a special election to be held not earlier than 110 days or later than 140 days after Council action on the petition; or
3. Determine to place the ordinance on the ballot at either the next regular City election or the next County election to be held more than 110 days from the date of Council action on the petition.

The Office of the City Clerk administers elections for the City of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles Unified School District, and the Los Angeles Community College District. More information can be found on the City Clerk's election website at: [clerk.lacity.org/elections](http://clerk.lacity.org/elections) or contact the Election Division at (213) 978-0444, or toll-free at (888) 873-1000 between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.

\*This number reflects 15% of total votes cast for all candidates for the Office of Mayor at the last election at which the Mayor was elected at the time the petition was filed (Charter Section 451b).

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