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September 14, 2017

Ashley Johansson  
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State of California  
PO Box 994255  
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Re: Request for Title and Summary for Proposed Initiative

Dear Ms. Johansson:

With this letter I submit a proposed statewide ballot measure in accordance with Article II of Section 10(d) of the California Constitution. 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 as provided by law.

Enclosed with this letter and text of the proposed measure is a check in the amount of \$2,000 and the affidavits required by the Elections Code.

For purposes of inquiries from the public and the media, please direct them as follows:

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Thank you for your time and attention processing my request.

Respectfully Submitted,



Thomas W. Hiltachk  
Proponent

## 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 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.