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County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum #21082

- TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters
- FROM: /s/ Haley Arata Voter Information Guide Coordinator
- RE: California Gubernatorial Recall Election: Proponent's Statement of Reasons for the Recall and the Governor's Answer in the State and County Voter Information Guides

Pursuant to Elections Code section 11325, the statement of reasons for recall that appeared on the proponents' notice of intent to recall and the governor's answer to the statement of reasons for recall must be printed in the state and county voter information guides. The statement and answer must be printed on the same page or on facing pages and shall be of equal prominence.

Attached is the statement of reasons and answer in English. Translations will be provided to counties as soon as they are available.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 698-1273 or <u>harata@sos.ca.gov</u>. Thank you.

Attachment

## Proponents' Statement of Reasons for the Recall and the Governor's Answer

The recall petition circulated throughout the state included a Statement of Reasons for a recall and the Governor's Answer to the Statement, which are provided below pursuant to Elections Code section 11325.

## **Proponents' Statement of Reasons**

**TO THE HONORABLE GAVIN NEWSOM:** Pursuant to section 11020, California Elections Code, the undersigned registered qualified voters of the State of California, hereby give notice, we are the proponents of a recall petition and we intend to seek your recall and removal from the office of Governor in the State of California and to demand election of a successor in that office.

The grounds for this recall are as Follows: Governor Newsom has implemented laws which are detrimental to the citizens of this state and our way of life. Laws he endorsed favor foreign nationals, in our country illegally, over that of our own citizens. People in this state suffer the highest taxes in the nation, the highest homelessness rates, and the lowest quality of life as a result. He has imposed sanctuary state status and fails to enforce immigration laws. He unilaterally over-ruled the will of the people regarding the death penalty. He seeks to impose additional burdens on our state by the following; removing the protections of Proposition 13, rationing our water use, increasing taxes and restricting parental rights. Having no other recourse, we the people have come together to take this action, remedy these misdeeds and prevent further injustices.

## **Governor's Answer to the Statement**

WARNING: THIS UNWARRANTED RECALL EFFORT WILL COST CALIFORNIA TAXPAYERS 81 MILLION DOLLARS! IT IS BEING PUSHED BY POLITICAL EXTREMISTS SUPPORTING PRESIDENT TRUMP'S HATEFUL ATTACKS ON CALIFORNIA.

In 2018 California voters elected Governor Gavin Newsom by historic margins.

As Governor, Newsom is working to 1) increase funding for public education, 2) protect and secure Californians' health and health care, 3) improve water, roads, and bridges, 4) address the challenges of housing affordability and homelessness, and 5) prepare for the threats of wildfires.

Our budget is balanced. Our fiscal reserves are unprecedented. Our economy and employment are historically strong.

Yet a handful of partisan activists supporting President Trump and his dangerous agenda to divide America are trying to overturn the definitive will of California voters and bring Washington's broken government to California with this recall effort.

The last thing California needs is another wasteful special election, supported by those who demonize California's people and attack California's values.

Do not be fooled - California's police officers, firefighters, first responders, public school teachers, health providers, and business leaders all STRONGLY OPPOSE this costly recall.

DO NOT HAND OVER YOUR SIGNATURE, YOUR SUPPORT OR YOUR PERSONAL, PRIVATE INFORMATION TO THIS DESTRUCTIVE RECALL SCHEME.