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Keely Martin Bosler, Director
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Dear Ms. Bosler,

The signatures on the petition to recall Governor Gavin Newsom were verified and the petition was determined to have a sufficient number of signatures on April 26, 2021. On that date, a supplemental signature withdrawal period was provided pursuant to statute and ended on June 8, 2021. County elections officials have reported on or before June 22, 2021, the total number of signatures withdrawn in each of their respective counties which have been removed from the total number of valid signatures statewide.

Accordingly, the Secretary of State is hereby notifying the Department of Finance that the proponents of the recall effort against Governor Gavin Newsom have submitted a sufficient number of valid signatures to initiate a recall election.

Pursuant to Elections Code section 11108(d), the Department of Finance, in consultation with county elections officials and the Secretary of State, must estimate the costs of the recall election and submit the estimate to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, and the Chairperson of the Joint Legislative Budget Committee by August 5, 2021.

The Department of Finance's estimates must include the costs that would be incurred if the recall election is held as a special election and if it is consolidated with the next regularly scheduled election, and must include expenses for verifying signatures, printing ballots and voter information guides, and operating polling places. As required by law, the Department of Finance's estimate of recall costs must be posted on the Secretary of State's website and printed in the state voter information guide.

The Joint Legislative Budget Committee (JLBC) has 30 calendar days to review and comment on the Department of Finance's estimate. Pursuant to Elections Code section 11108(g), after the JLBC's 30-day review period has expired, the Director of Finance shall direct the Controller to remit to the affected elections officials from those funds designated for that purpose in any budget act or other measure an amount that takes into consideration the amount of funds available for the purpose, the number of elections officials expected to conduct state recall elections held in that fiscal year, the

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Department of Finance's estimates of the costs of each elections official to conduct each state recall election, and the amount reasonably necessary to conduct the recall election.

Should you have any questions, please contact my office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S. N. Weber". The signature is stylized with a large, circular flourish at the end.

Shirley N. Weber, Ph.D.
Secretary of State