

INITIATIVE PETITION

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Amendment to the Constitution

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To be submitted directly to the electors

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Certification of the Attorney General.....

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Date.....

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"NOTICE"

Whoever knowingly signs this petition more than once, signs a name other than one's own, or signs when not a qualified voter, is liable to prosecution.

In consideration for services in soliciting signatures to this petition the solicitor has received or expects to receive nothing from no one.

(Sign with ink or indelible pencil. Your name, residence, and date of signing must be given.)

SIGN YOUR NAME -----PRINT YOUR RESIDENCE-----DATE SIGNED

James J	208 E Welch Ave	43207	5-6-05
Marcia Brown	2018 AGLER RD	43224	5-6-05
Sharon Nicks	3399 Partridge Pl	43231	5-6-05
Robert W. Saunders	382 E. Woodrow	43207	5-6-05
Jan Button	60 W. TOMPKINS	43202	5/6/05
DEBRA Boloman	180 N. OHIO AVE #M	43203	5/6/05
James J	1386 Faber St	43207	5/6/05
Jersey R. Price	2709 HALL ECK DR	43209	5-6-05
W. E. Lee	1164 MILLER	43206	5-6-05
William R. McCulloch	4759 Founders Dr	Greensport 43125	5-6-05
Mary J. Cheffed	416 Alverwood Dr	Baraboo	5/6/05
Michael W. Watson	1899 McCoy Pl	Columbus 43220	5/6/05
T. J. Braxton	434 Norton Rd	COLS. # 43228	5-6-05
Stuart Anderson	1102 OREGON AVE	Col., OH 43201	5-6-05
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D. H. H.	680 10th	43205	5-6-05
St. J.	1025 Oak Street Apt A	43205	5/6/05
Alan	1277 Hawthorne AVE	43203	5/6/05
Andelle E. Scott	2546 SONATA DE	43209	5-6-05
Orlando C. Luff	1526 Linden Rd	43205	5/6/05
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Amble 314 WACE CT. 43081 5-7-05

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**Be it resolved by the people of the State of Ohio:**

**That the Constitution of the State of Ohio be amended Section 2a of Article V:  
Elective Franchise thereof, to read as follows:**

**“Article V, Elective Franchise, Section 2a, Name(s) of candidate(s) on the ballot.**

**All names of candidates for this office at any election shall be arranged in a group under the title of this office. The General Assembly shall provide by law the means by which ballots shall give all names of all candidate(s) reasonably equal position by rotation or other comparable methods to the extent practical and appropriate to the voting procedure used. At any primary election in which a candidate’s party designation appears on the ballot, the name or designation of each candidate’s party, if any, shall be printed under or after each candidate’s name in less prominent type face than that in which the candidate’s name is printed. A registered voter may vote for any names of all candidates only and in no other way than by indicating one vote for each candidate on the ballot. Next to each candidate’s name will be two boxes, one for YES and one for NO. Voters may select one or the other box, but not both, for each candidate. The YES means you do support this candidate whose name appears next to the YES box. The NO means you do not support this candidate whose name appears next to the NO box. The highest YES vote count for one candidate of the group under the title of this office which is greater than NO vote count for the same candidate of the group under the title of this office shall be declared the winner. In the event no candidate receives more YES votes than NO votes, the title of this office shall remain vacant at the end of the current official’s term. In the event there is no winner of the group under the title of this office, the vacancy shall be filled only as the forefather’s of the United States Constitution from the first Congress 1788-1789 stated, Article 1, Section 2, Clause “(4) *When vacancies happen in the representation from any state, the executive authority thereof shall issue writs of election to fill such vacancy.*” If a vacancy occurs in a United States House seat of Ohio or United States Senate seat of Ohio, the state governor must call a special election to fill it. If the next regularly scheduled election is to be held soon, the governor may allow the seat to remain empty rather than call a special election. However, in the event there is no winner of the group under the title of any elected or appointed office of trust or profit other than specified or excluded by the United States Constitution or not restricted otherwise by the Ohio Constitution, the vacancy shall be filled by the duly sworn in Governor and with the advice and consent of all appropriate Boards of County Commissioners or County Council members, each having direct accountability to the people as a means of checks and balances, to be arranged in accordance with guidelines set by the General Assembly, the date and place of said town hall meeting to discuss the process for filling a vacancy and to provide a list of certified candidate(s) under consideration for public inspection and open discussion, only until the next scheduled election of the group under the title of this office can be voted upon by the registered voters. The Board of Elections must provide registered voters with a list of candidate(s) at time of voting.”**

I, Robert J. Rupers, declare under penalty of election falsification that I am the circulator of the foregoing petition paper containing the signatures of 100 electors, that the signatures appended hereto were made and appended in my presence on the date set opposite each respective name, and are the signatures of the persons whose names they purport to be, and that the electors signing this petition did so with knowledge of the contents of same.

(Signed) Robert J. Rupers 5-9-05.  
(Solicitor)  
(8887 Castleford Lane, Cincinnati, Ohio 45242)

**WHOEVER COMMITS ELECTION FALSIFICATION IS GUILTY OF A FELONY OF THE FIFTH DEGREE.**

Witness to signature of solicitor of  
petitions signed

Shirley Allen 05-09-05