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VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Honorable Jerry Brown
Attorney General
State of California
1300 "I" Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
ATTN: Krystal Paris, Initiative Coordinator

Re: Request for Title and Summary - Initiative Constitutional Amendment

Dear Attorney General Brown:

Pursuant to Article II, Section 10(d) of the California Constitution and Section 9002 of the Elections Code, we are submitting the attached proposed statewide ballot initiative measure to your office. We request that you prepare a title and summary of the measure as provided by law.

We have also included with this letter the following documents:

(1) The required statement under California Elections Code section 9608, signed by each of the proponents;

(2) A separate page containing, for each of the proponents, the address at which such proponent is registered to vote; and

(3) A check in the amount of $200.

Pursuant to your request, the proponents have selected one person among them as a contact person. Should you require any further information, please contact John Henning at Love Honor Cherish, P.O. Box 1301, Studio City, CA 91614, or at john.henning@lovehonorcherish.org.

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Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Father Geoff Farrow

Jo Hoenninger

Thomas Watson

Ange-Marie Hancock

Jordan Krueger

John Henning

Andrew Klayman

Peter Nguyen

Edwin Rivera

Fredy Ceja

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This amendment would amend an existing section of the California Constitution. Existing language proposed to be deleted is printed in ~~strikeout type~~. Language proposed to be added is printed in underlined type.

Section 1. To protect religious freedom, no court shall interpret this measure to require any clergy person authorized to perform marriages by any religious denomination, church, or other non-profit religious institution to perform any marriage in violation of his or her religious beliefs. The refusal to perform a marriage under this provision shall not be the basis for lawsuit or liability, and shall not affect the tax-exempt status of any religious denomination, church or other religious institution.

Section 2. To provide for fairness in the government's issuance of marriage licenses, Section 7.5 of Article I of the California Constitution is hereby repealed, stricken and removed: ~~Sec. 7.5. Only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California.~~