Approved Sept

# INITIATIVE PETITION TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

We, the undersigned, being qualified electors request the following initiated law be placed on the ballot as provided by law.

#### SPONSORING COMMITTEE

The following are the names and addresses of the qualified electors of the state of North Dakota who, as the sponsoring committee for the petitioners, represent and act for the petitioners in accordance with law:

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2514 Willow Rd N	2105 13th St NW	218 W Ave D	203 4th Ave NW
Fargo ND 58102	Minot ND 58703	Bismarck ND 58501	Mandan ND 58554
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4700 N 19th St #212	422 17th St NW	1790 26th ST NE	1594 Philippi Rd
Bismarck ND 58503	Minot ND 58703	Anamoose ND 58710	Manvel ND 58256
Leon Francis	Josiah L Geiger	Jubilee Geiger	Susan B Hale
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Fargo ND 58102	Baldwin ND 58521	Baldwin ND 58521	Minot ND 58701
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Kathryn ND 58049	Towner ND 58788	Towner ND 58788	Fargo ND 58103
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Mandan ND 58554	Bismarck ND 58503	Tioga ND 58852	Harvey ND 58341

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#### **PETITION TITLE**

This initiated measure would add a new article to the North Dakota Constitution. It would stipulate that an individual could not serve as a legislator for a cumulative period in excess of eight years in either the House of Representatives or the Senate, separately. It would prohibit an individual from being elected as Governor more than twice. Service as a member of the legislature or election to the office of governor prior to the effective date of this measure would not count against any service or election, respectively, of any individual that occurs after the effective date of this measure. An individual would not be allowed to serve a full or remaining term as a member of the legislature if serving the term would cause the individual to serve for a cumulative period of more than eight years in that particular house. Any amendment to this article could not be proposed by the legislature, but only by citizen initiative. The article would become effective on January 1 immediately following approval of the voters. In case of conflict with any other provision of the constitution, the measure states that the provisions of this article would prevail.

#### **FULL TEXT OF THE MEASURE**

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### BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. A new article of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota is created and enacted as follows:

SECTION 1. TERM LIMITS FOR LEGISLATORS. An individual shall not serve as a member of the house of representatives for a cumulative period of time amounting to more than eight (8) years. An individual shall not serve as a member of the senate for a cumulative period of time amounting to more than eight (8) years. An individual shall not be eligible to serve a full or remaining term as member of the house of representatives or the senate if serving the full or remaining term would cause the individual to serve for a cumulative period of time amounting to more than eight (8) years in that respective house.

SECTION 2. TERM LIMITS FOR GOVERNOR. An individual shall not be elected to the office of governor more than twice. This provision shall not prevent the lieutenant governor from succeeding to the office of governor, nor prevent the secretary of state from acting as governor.

SECTION 3. APPLICATION OF TERM LIMITS. The limitations established by this article shall have prospective effect only, and service as a member of the house of representatives, service as a member of the senate, and prior election to the office of governor shall not be counted against any service or election, respectively, of any individual that occurs after the effective date of this amendment. Service by the lieutenant governor in his capacity as president of the senate shall not count toward the cumulative amount of time an individual may serve as a member of the senate.

SECTION 4. THE PEOPLE'S TERM LIMITS AMENDMENT. Notwithstanding the legislative assembly's authority to propose amendments to this constitution under article IV, section 16 thereof, the legislative assembly shall not have authority to propose an amendment to this constitution to alter or repeal the term limitations established in section 1 of this article. The authority to propose an amendment to this constitution to alter or repeal the term limitations established in section 1 of this article is reserved to initiative petition of the people under article III of this constitution.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment shall be effective on the first day of January immediately following approval by voters.

SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY. The provisions of this article are severable, and if any provision is held to be invalid, either on its face or as applied, the remaining provisions and their application shall not be affected thereby. In any case of a conflict between any provision of this article and any other provision of this constitution, the provisions of this article shall control.

# **INSTRUCTIONS TO PETITION SIGNERS**

You are being asked to sign a petition. You must be a qualified elector. This means you are eighteen years old, you have lived in North Dakota thirty days, and you are a United States citizen. All signers shall also legibly print their name, complete residential address or rural route or general delivery address, and the date of signing on the petition. Every qualified elector signing a petition must do so in the presence of the individual circulating the petition.

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