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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE A

**Three good reasons to vote YES on Measure A:**

- **The City of Riverside's prohibition on state law compliant medical marijuana patient provider associations has been just as ineffective, inefficient, and problematic as alcohol prohibition.** While our City Council has refused to enact ordinances to allow for safe, well-regulated distribution of medicinal marijuana pursuant to state law, illicit street-level marijuana sales have plagued our parks, schools, and neighborhoods. It is time that we join nearby cities that have replaced their failed prohibition with sensible local protections.
- **Law enforcement organizations support health and safety standards at the local municipal level in order to promote the safety of the communities where medical marijuana distribution takes place.** The California Police Chiefs Association and the Riverside Sheriffs' Association have recently come out in support of legislation that recognizes the need for meaningful statewide regulation of medical marijuana distribution.
- **Measure A helps to ensure that our local community and our children will have the necessary safeguards in place.** By requiring City approval prior to operating a medical marijuana patient provider association within our City's boundaries, Measure A will serve to protect our parks, schools, and neighborhoods.

Here are just a few of the safeguards Measure A provides:

- **Limits the total number of licensed associations to no more than 1 per 30,000 City residents;**
- **Restricts the areas of operation to the Business & Manufacturing Zone, General Industrial Zone, and Commercial General Zone;**
- **Prohibits any licensed association from operating within 1,000 feet of another licensed association, thereby preventing a concentration in any particular area;**
- **Prevents any licensed association from operating within 1,000 feet of a public or private school.**

People/organizations that have urged voters to vote YES on Measure A:

**The Press Enterprise**

**Law Enforcement Against Prohibition**

**Stephen Downing, Deputy Chief, LAPD (retired)**

  
Michael Eppolito  
City of Riverside Resident

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STATEMENT BY PROPONENTS/AUTHORS OF ARGUMENTS

(Section 9606 of the Elections Code requires that all arguments concerning measures shall be accompanied by the following form statement, to be signed by each proponent and by each author, if different, of the argument.)

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The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the Primary argument In Favor
(PRIMARY OR REBUTTAL) (IN FAVOR OR AGAINST)
ballot measure A at the Municipal Election
(LETTER) (TITLE OF ELECTION)
for the City of Riverside to be held on June 2, 2015
(DISTRICT OR JURISDICTION) (DATE)

hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of His knowledge and belief.
(HIS/HER/THEIR)

PROPONENT'S/AUTHOR'S NAME:

SIGNATURE:

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(909)376-0078 March 10, 2015
(PHONE) DATE

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PRINTED NAME (TITLE OPTIONAL)
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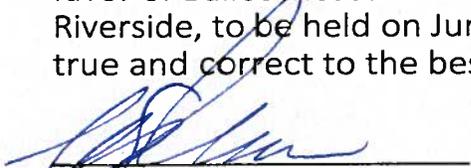
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**VERIFICATION PROPONENT AND ARGUMENT AUTHOR**

The undersigned proponent and author of the primary argument in favor of Ballot Measure "A" at the municipal election for the City of Riverside, to be held on June 2, 2015, hereby states that this argument is true and correct to the best of his knowledge.



Dated: March 9, 2015

Michael Eppolito  
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**VERIFICATION OF PROPONENT**

The undersigned proponent of Ballot Measure "A" at the municipal election for the City of Riverside, to be held on June 2, 2015, hereby states that this argument is true and correct to the best of her knowledge.



Kimberly Thompson  
City of Riverside Resident  
7496 Hasting Lane  
Riverside, CA 92506

Dated: March 9, 2015

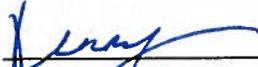
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**AUTHORIZATION TO FILE BALLOT ARGUMENT**

The undersigned proponents of Ballot Measure "A" at the municipal election for the City of Riverside, to be held on June 2, 2015, hereby authorize Attorney Jason Ryan Thompson to file the Argument in Favor of Measure A with the appropriate election official.

  
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Kimberly Thompson

Dated: March 9, 2015

  
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Michael Eppolito

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