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## CONSTITUTIONAL INITIATIVE PROPOSED PETITION WITHDRAWN

**BISMARCK, ND** – A proposed petition for a constitutional initiative related to public records, legislative salaries, and lobbying has been withdrawn by the sponsoring committee on Monday February 10, 2025. The proposed petition was submitted to the Office of the Secretary of State on February 7, 2025 for review and approval to circulate.

Jerol W. Gohrick, McGregor, North Dakota, is the chairperson of the sponsoring committee.

Attached is the withdrawal request from Gohrick, Secretary of State Michael Howe's acknowledgment letter of the withdrawal, the petition that was withdrawn which includes the sponsoring committee members, and a timeline that would have been followed had the petition not been withdrawn.

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