

February 23, 2021

## **VIA Email to Author**

The Honorable Kevin Kiley California State Assembly State Capitol, Room 5128 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: ACA 4 (Kiley) – Elections: initiatives and referenda – SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Kiley:

The League of Women Voters of California writes in support of ACA 4 (Kiley), a resolution to propose an amendment to the California Constitution that would shift the responsibility for writing titles and summaries and ballot labels for statewide measures from the Attorney General to the Legislative Analyst.

After studying the initiative and referendum process, the League believes that the title and summary of ballot measures should be written by an impartial and nonpartisan official authority.

The Legislative Analyst's Office has a distinguished history of conducting itself in a fair manner that is insulated from political pressure, thus making it an ideal office to assign this important responsibility. An impartial and nonpartisan authority would ensure that voters receive accurate and unbiased information on which to base their decisions.

Voters want clarity, transparency, and fairness in the initiative process. The League is happy to support ACA 4 to bolster the voters' trust and the credibility of the process.

Sincerely,

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