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Alcohol Fuel

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Office of the Secretary of State
March Fong Eu

1230 J Street
Sacramento, California 95814

Elections Division
(916) 445-0820

February 5, 1980

TO: ALL COUNTY CLERKS/ REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
FROM: CASHMERE M. APPERSON, ELECTIONS TECHNICIAN

You are hereby notified that the hereinafter named proposed initiative statute was abandoned by the proponent. Therefore, no further action is necessary.

TITLE: ALCOHOL FUEL
SUMMARY DATE: AUGUST 28, 1979
PROPONENT: BILL L. WITHROW

Mr. Withrow has concurrently refiled with the Attorney General's office.

INITIATIVE MEASURE TO BE SUBMITTED DIRECTLY TO THE VOTERS

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Can be Smellier 12 pt
to the Governor Secretary of State California
with the original registered

<p>CIRCULATOR: See instructions on other side. SIGNER: Please fill in all information by hand in ink. Use only ball point pens. (Do not use felt tip pens). No ditto marks. No abbreviations. All signers of this petition must be registered in <input type="checkbox"/> county.</p>		<p>THIS FOR U:</p>
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<p>CIRCULATOR: All six signature spaces do not need to be completed for this petition to be valid.</p>		

DECLARATION OF CIRCULATOR (To be completed AFTER above signatures have been obtained.)

I am registered to vote in the County (or City and County) of . Each of the signatures to this petition was signed in my presence. Each signature of this petition is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be. All signatures to this document were obtained between (month/day/year) and (month/day/year). I certify (or declare under penalty of perjury) that the foregoing is true and correct.

X
 Signature of Circulator Date Address as Registered
 Print Name City (in full) Zip

BE SURE TO SIGN THIS DECLARATION AT "X" BEFORE SENDING IN (Notarization not necessary)

PRINT GRAPHICS, FAIR OAKS, CA 94533

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TO THE HONORABLE SECRETARY OF STATE OF CALIFORNIA:

(CITY OR COUNTY)

We, the undersigned, registered, qualified voters of California, residents of _____ County, hereby propose amendments to the Constitution of California, and petition the Secretary of State to submit the same to the voters of California for their adoption or rejection at the next succeeding election or at any special statewide election held prior to the general election or otherwise provided by law. The proposed constitutional amendment (Alcohol Fuel Initiative) read as follows:

Section I.

To promote the expedient use of alcohol fuel, and notwithstanding any other provision of law or any regulation, alcohol fuel shall be legal fuel in California. Alcohol fuel shall be defined as fuel containing no less than 85% alcohol. It shall be legal to use, manufacture, and distribute alcohol fuel for use in combustion engines.

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There shall be a 100% non-refundable investment tax credit to a maximum of \$100,000 for the expenditures incurred in establishing manufacturing plants in California to produce alcohol fuel and its by-products, such as high protein food. The opportunity to claim the tax credit shall terminate five years after the initial date of construction of said plants, but any unused portion of this tax credit shall be applied to future tax years.

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Section V.

Section II, Section III, and Section IV of this amendment shall be removed from the Constitution on January 1, 1999, and shall have no legal force thereafter.

Section VI.

If any section, part, clause, or phrase hereof is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining sections shall not be affected, but will remain in full force and effect.

CIRCULATOR: Please follow these instructions carefully.

1. You must be a registered voter.
2. Fill in county (or city and county) where petition is to be circulated on both sides of petition in spaces marked A and B. You may circulate petitions in any county, but each petition may be circulated in only one county.
3. You may circulate as many petitions as possible, but you may sign only one petition as a signer in the signature section.
4. Make sure the signers fill in all information completely and accurately in ink with ball point pens. (No felt tip pens, no ditto marks, no abbreviations).
5. AFTER each petition is filled, you must complete the "Declaration of Circulator" spaces (marked C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J and K). Be sure to give all requested information including the county in which you are registered and the three dates requested.

6. While it is most helpful if all the signature spaces are filled with valid signatures, this petition is valid and important even if it contains only one signature. member, even with only one signature, you must still complete the "Declaration of Circulator" and all spaces. A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J and K must be filled.
7. RETURN PETITION TO (unless you have other instructions)

ALCOHOL FUEL COMMITTEE
c/o Bill L. Withrow AND OR _____
P.O. Box 743
Fair Oaks, CA. 95628

ALL PETITIONS MUST BE RETURNED BY JANUARY 1, 1999

Pact Is Signed For Alcohol Cars In Brazil In 1980

BRASILIA (UPI) — Brazilian government and auto industry officials have signed an agreement to mass-produce 250,000 alcohol-powered vehicles in 1980.

Alcohol is Brazil's key weapon in the fight against rising oil prices. Brazil imports 85 percent of its petroleum at a cost expected to reach \$7 billion in 1979, nearly half the value of exports expected this year.

President Joao Baptista Figueiredo promised the auto industry that enough alcohol fuel, which is derived mainly from sugar cane and mandioc roots, will be produced to ensure a steady fuel supply for the new alcohol vehicles.

The agreement calls for Brazilian automakers to produce 250,000 alcohol-powered vehicles in 1980, 300,000 in 1981 and 350,000 in 1982.

Fiat and Volkswagen have already begun limited production of alcohol-powered cars and General Motors recently received government approval to manufacture a four-cylinder alcohol engine.

Brazilian officials plan to produce 10.7 million cubic meters of alcohol fuel a year by 1985, of which 90 percent would go to fuel alcohol-powered vehicles.

Initially the alcohol cars, trucks and buses will go to government and private fleets that will maintain their own fueling depots, but auto industry executives said within two years alcohol distribution should be widespread enough to allow the average citizen to buy an alcohol car.

Auto industry executives said alcohol cars will cost more than gasoline-powered versions initially, but the cost difference would be negligible if the government were to lift the tax charged on industrial products for alcohol vehicles.

**Auto Editor
446-9563**



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August 28, 1979

TO ALL COUNTY CLERKS/ REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Pursuant to Section 3513 of the Elections Code, there is transmitted herewith a copy of the Title and Summary prepared by the Attorney General on a proposed Initiative Measure entitled:

ALCOHOL FUEL
INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Circulating and Filing Schedule

1. Minimum number of signatures required 553,790
Constitution II, 8(b).
2. Official Summary Date Tuesday, 8/28/79
Elections Code Section 3513.
3. Petition Sections:
 - a. First day Proponent can circulate
Sections for signatures Tuesday, 8/28/79
Elections Code Section 3513.
 - b. Last day Proponent can circulate and
file with the county. All Sections are
to be filed at the same time within
each county Friday, 1/25/80**
Elections Code Sections 3513, 3520(a).
 - c. Last day for county to determine total
number of signatures affixed to petition
and to transmit total to the Secretary
of State Friday, 2/01/80

(If the Proponent files the petition with the county on a date prior to 1/25/80, the county has 5 working days from the filing of the petition to determine the total number of signatures affixed to the petition and to transmit this total to the Secretary of State).
Elections Code Section 3520(b).

** Please Note: To Proponent(s) who wish to qualify for 1980 Primary Election. The law allows up to 55 days to county election officials for checking and reporting petition signatures. The law also requires that this process be completed 131 days before the election in which the people will vote on any initiative. It is possible that the county may not need the whole 55 days. But if you want to be sure that this initiative qualifies for the 1980 Primary Election, you should file this petition with the county by November 30, 1979.

- d. Last day for county to determine number of qualified electors who have signed the petition, and to transmit certificate, with a blank copy of the petition to the Secretary of State Saturday, 2/16/80

(If the Secretary of State notifies the counties to determine the number of qualified electors who signed the petition on a date prior to 2/01/80, the last day is not later than the fifteenth day after the notification). Elections Code Section 3520(d), (e).

- e. If the signature count is between 498,411 and 609,169 then the Secretary of State notifies counties using the random sampling technique to determine validity of all signatures.

Last day for county to determine actual number of all qualified electors who signed the petition, and to transmit certificate, with a blank copy of the petition to the Secretary of State Monday, 3/17/80

(If the Secretary of State notifies the counties to determine the number of qualified electors who have signed the petition on a date prior to 2/16/80, the last day is not later than the thirtieth day after the notification). Elections Code Section 3521(b), (c).

4. Campaign Statements:

Last day for Proponent to file a Campaign Statement of Receipts and Expenditures for period ending 2/22/80 Friday, 2/29/80

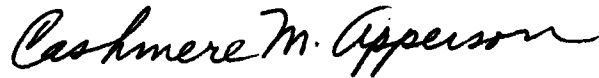
(If the Secretary of State finds that the measure has either qualified or failed to qualify on a date earlier than 1/25/80, the last date to file is the 35th calendar day after the date of notification by the Secretary of State that the measure has either qualified or failed to qualify. The closing date for this campaign statement is 7 days prior to the filing deadline). Government Code Section 84204.

5. The proponent of the above named measure is:

Bill L. Withrow
8154 Sentinel Street
Fair Oaks, CA 95628
(916) 966-2273

Sincerely,

WILLIAM N. DURLEY
Assistant to the Secretary of State
Elections and Political Reform



CASHMERE M. APPERSON
Elections Technician

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NOTE TO PROPONENT: Your attention is directed to Elections Code Sections 41, 44, 3501, 3507, 3508, 3516, 3517, and 3519 for appropriate format and type considerations in printing, typing, and otherwise preparing your initiative petition for circulation and signatures. Your attention is further directed to the campaign disclosure and petition circulating requirements of the Political Reform Act of 1974, Government Code Sections 81000 et seq.

ALCOHOL FUEL INITIATIVE

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE BY MAIL

I, ISABEL SARTORE, declare as follows: I am over the age of 18 years, and not a party to the within action; my place of employment and business address is 555 Capitol Mall, Suite 350, Sacramento, California 95814.

On August 28, 1979, I served the attached

LETTER ADDRESSED TO HONORABLE MARCH FONG EU, SECRETARY OF STATE,
DATED: AUGUST 28, 1979,
RE: INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT - ALCOHOL FUEL
Our File No.: 00002115-SA79RF0081

by placing a true copy thereof in an envelope addressed to each of the persons named below at the address set out immediately below each respective name, and by sealing and depositing said envelope in the United States Mail at Sacramento, California, with postage thereon fully prepaid. There is delivery service by United States Mail at each of the places so addressed, or there is regular communication by mail between the place of mailing and each of the places so addressed.

BILL L. WITHROW
8154 Sentinel Street
Fair Oaks, California 95628

Telephone: (916) 966-2273

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on August 28, 1979, at Sacramento, California.


Declarant



State of California
Department of Justice
George Deukmejian
(PRONOUNCED DUKE-MAY-GIN)
Attorney General

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MARCH FONG EU, Secretary of State

By *Cashmere M. Apperson*
Deputy

Honorable March Fong Eu
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Attention: Rico Nannini

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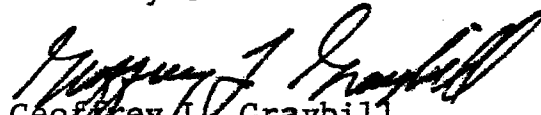
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According to information available in our records, the address and telephone number of the proponent of this measure are as stated on the declaration of mailing.

Very truly yours,

George Deukmejian
Attorney General



Geoffrey L. Graybill
Deputy Attorney General

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Enclosures

Honorable March Fong Eu

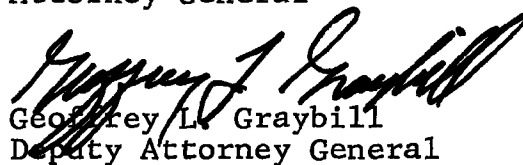
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