

STATEMENT THAT ARGUMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT

(California Elections Code §9600)

The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the Primary argument in favor of ballot proposition Trinity County Cannabis tax, measure G (primary/rebuttal) (in favor of/against) (name or number)
at the General Election (title of election)
for the County of Trinity (jurisdiction)
to be held on November 3, ~~2000~~ 2020, hereby state that such argument is true and correct (date)
to the best of their knowledge and belief. (his/her/their)

Signed /s/ Adrien Keys Date 8/19/2020

Print Name Adrien Keys Title Licensed Cultivator

Signed /s/ Kenneth J Wiley Date 8/24/2020

Print Name KENNETH J WILEY Title PROPERTY STORE MANAGER

Signed JEFFRY M ENGLAND Date 8/20/2020

Print Name /s/ Jeffry M England Title Executive Director Trinity County Food Bank

Signed /s/ Connor D Nixon Date 08/20/2020

Print Name CONNOR D. NIXON Title Home owner

Signed /s/ Mary McNamara Nixon Date 08/20/2020

Print Name Mary McNamara Nixon Title 08/20/2020

NOTE - All arguments concerning measures filed pursuant to Div. 9 (§9000-9600), Elections Code, shall be accompanied by this form, signed by each author of the argument

If the argument or rebuttal is being signed by a principal officer on behalf of an association that is supporting or opposing the measure, the name of the association will appear on the first line, followed by the principal officer's name and title on the second line as the example illustrates:

Trinity County Elections Department
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County Clerk/Recorder/Assessor

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Argument in favor of measure G

Measure G will provide much needed tax revenue to the county general fund, while granting a path to economic sustainability for licensed Trinity County cannabis cultivators and retailers. Conceptually based on the successful craft beer and wine industry taxes, a production-based, flat-rate, and tiered tax is intended to encourage small, less impactful farms, and higher quality production.

This tax will be calculated and reported using the METRC track and trace system. The State of California, along with many other states use METRC to track all cannabis activities and calculate state cultivation tax. State law requires all licensed cultivators to use METRC to track and trace all cannabis plants and harvested material through the supply chain. Using the METRC interface will make tax reporting as simple and transparent as possible as it is in line with the existing state system which also uses a flat rate.

A 2.5% tax on gross receipts for all licensed cannabis retailers will be charged on top of the 7.25% sales tax. This rate is competitive with our neighbors and will not overly burden consumers who choose to participate in regulated cannabis consumption.

The cannabis industry has remained consistent in the face of this years' economic and health crisis, and the market continues to grow. By drawing revenue from out of county sales, our countys' tax base is expanded and diversified.

Supporters of Measure G come from all walks of life, including cannabis program participants, business owners, and community leaders from all areas of the county. Taxing cannabis in the same manner as other businesses, on products actually sold, is an important concept to businesses in the county.

This is the right tax at the right time.

Vote yes on Measure G

Adrien Keys

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