

# Nebraska Secretary of State

## Petition Sponsor Sworn Statement

**Petition:** Consumption or excise taxes apply only to new goods & services and food consumed off-site.  
(Brief description of petition for identification purposes)

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STATE OF NEBRASKA )  
) ss.  
COUNTY OF Dodge )

I hereby swear that this is a complete list containing the names and street addresses of every person, corporation, or association sponsoring the aforementioned petition.

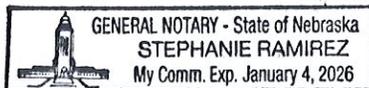
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022.  
(Day) (Month) (Year)

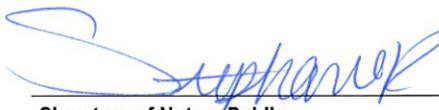
  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Sponsor

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022.  
(Day) (Month) (Year)

by Paul von Behren  
(Printed name of sponsor appearing before Notary)

(SEAL)



  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Notary Public

(Please attach copies of this page if there are more than four sponsors.)

Final Language



December 5, 2022

**TEXT FOR A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT:**

“To add a new section 15 to Article VIII of the Nebraska State Constitution:

VIII-15 Beginning January 1, 2026, the State of Nebraska shall impose a retail consumption tax or an excise tax on all new goods and services, and the Legislature may authorize political subdivisions to do the same. There shall be no exemption from such taxes except for grocery items purchased for off-premises consumption.”

**OBJECT STATEMENT:** “A Constitutional Amendment allowing the Legislature to authorize governmental entities to impose consumption taxes on services and new goods with the limitation that only grocery items purchased for off-premises consumption may be exempted from the tax.”

INITIATIVE PETITION

For Secretary of State Use Only

The object of this petition is to: (See reverse side for actual text of measure)

A Constitutional Amendment allowing the Legislature to authorize governmental entities to impose consumption taxes on services and new goods with the limitation that only grocery items purchased for off-premises consumption may be exempted from the tax.

To the Honorable Robert Evnen, Secretary of State for the State of Nebraska:

We, the undersigned residents of the State of Nebraska and the county of \_\_\_\_\_, respectfully demand that the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be referred to the registered voters of the state for their approval or rejection at the general election to be held on the 5th day of November 2024, and each for himself or herself says: I have personally signed this petition on the date opposite my name; I am a registered voter of the State of Nebraska and county of \_\_\_\_\_ and am qualified to sign this petition or I will be so registered and qualified on or before the date on which this petition is required to be filed with the Secretary of State; and my printed name, date of birth, street and number or voting precinct, and city, village, or post office address are correctly written after my signature.

WARNING TO PETITION SIGNERS-- VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING PROVISIONS OF LAW MAY RESULT IN THE FILING OF CRIMINAL CHARGES: Any person who signs any name other than his or her own to any petition or who is not qualified to sign the petition shall be guilty of a Class I misdemeanor. Any person who falsely swears to a circulator's affidavit on a petition, who accepts money or other things of value for signing a petition, or who offers money or other things of value in exchange for a signature upon any petition shall be guilty of a Class IV felony.

Table with 5 columns: DATE (mm/dd/yy), SIGNATURE, PRINTED NAME, DATE OF BIRTH, ADDRESS (Street Number & Name, City or Village, Zip Code). Rows numbered 1 to 20.

Not more than twenty signatures on one sheet shall be counted. Nebraska Revised Statute §32-1409

STATE OF NEBRASKA )
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ ) ss
\_\_\_\_\_, (name of circulator) being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he or she is the circulator of this petition containing \_\_\_\_\_ signatures, that he or she is at least eighteen years of age, that each person whose name appears on the petition personally signed the petition in the presence of the affiant, that the date to the left of each signature is the correct date on which the signature was affixed to the petition and that the date was personally affixed by the person signing such petition, that the affiant believes that each signer has written his or her name, street and number or voting precinct, and city, village, or post office address correctly, that the affiant believes that each signer was qualified to sign the petition, and that the affiant stated to each signer the object of the petition as printed on the petition before he or she affixed his or her signature to the petition.

\_\_\_\_\_, Circulator's Signature
\_\_\_\_\_, Address
\_\_\_\_\_, City, State, Zip

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a notary public, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_, Nebraska.
(City or village of notarial act.)

(Seal)

\_\_\_\_\_, Notary Public's Signature

**Proposed Constitutional Amendment Language:**

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SAMPLE

