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ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ordinance calling a Special Election to be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2013, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the City of Los Angeles a certain initiative ordinance and to consolidate this Special Election with the City's General Municipal Election to be held on the same date.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. A Special Election is hereby called to be held in the City of Los Angeles on May 21, 2013, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the City a certain initiative ordinance ordered to be placed on the ballot by the Council of the City of Los Angeles pursuant to an initiative petition.

Sec. 2. The ballot title and question to be used at the Special Election for the initiative ordinance to be submitted to the qualified voters of the City of Los Angeles shall be:

MEDICAL MARIJUANA REGULATION. LIMIT NUMBER OF COLLECTIVES WHERE SIX OR MORE PATIENTS/CAREGIVERS GATHER TO THOSE THAT OPERATED SINCE SEPTEMBER 2007, REGISTERED AND MEET OTHER REQUIREMENTS. ESTABLISH OPERATIONAL STANDARDS ENFORCED AS INFRACTIONS. EXEMPT FIVE OR FEWER PATIENTS/CAREGIVERS CULTIVATING MEDICAL MARIJUANA FOR COLLECTIVES, THEIR PATIENTS OR THEMSELVES FROM REGULATION. INITIATIVE ORDINANCE ____.

Shall an ordinance regulating associations of six or more qualified patients and/or primary caregivers who gather to cultivate, distribute or engage in other activities related to marijuana for medical purposes (MMCs) by: (1) prohibiting MMCs but providing limited immunity for MMCs that operated since September 2007, timely registered with the City, generally have not ceased operations for 90 days, pass annual background checks, are separated from residential zones, maintain certain distances from schools, parks, child care facilities and other designated places, and satisfy other requirements; (2) establishing operational standards enforceable as infractions; and (3) exempting associations of five or fewer patients/caregivers who process or cultivate medical marijuana on-site for MMCs, their patients or themselves, and other exemptions; be adopted?

Sec. 3. The initiative ordinance shall be designated on the ballot or ballot pages by a letter or number by the City Council in accordance with applicable City laws. Upon the designation by the proper officials of the letter or number to be assigned to the initiative ordinance, that letter or number is hereby adopted and shall be the designation for the ballot title.

Sec. 4. To vote on the initiative ordinance, the voter shall mark the ballot next to the word "Yes" or the word "No." A "Yes" vote shall be counted in favor of adoption of the initiative ordinance and a "No" vote shall be counted against adoption of the initiative ordinance.

Sec. 5. The Special Election hereby called shall be, and hereby is ordered to be, consolidated with the City's General Municipal Election to be held in the City of Los Angeles on Tuesday, May 21, 2013.

Sec. 6. The voting polls on election day shall open at 7:00 a.m., May 21, 2013, and shall remain open until 8:00 p.m. of the same day when the voting polls shall be closed, except as provided in City Election Code Section 857.


Sec. 7. The election precincts, polling places, and officers of election for the Special Election shall be the same as those provided in the City of Los Angeles for the General Municipal Election, and the election shall be held in all respects as if there were only one election. Furthermore, for the precincts, polling places, and officers of election, reference is hereby made to the list that will be prepared and approved by the City Clerk and filed in the City Clerk's Office not later than April 21, 2013, and that list is incorporated into and made part of this ordinance.

Sec. 8. In all other particulars, the Special Election shall be held and conducted as provided by law for holding of the General Municipal Election in the City of Los Angeles.

Sec. 9. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

I hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was introduced at the meeting of the Council of the City of Los Angeles JAN 22 2013, and was passed at its meeting of JAN 29 2013.

JUNE LAGMAY, City Clerk

By 
Deputy

Approved _____

Mayor

Approved as to Form and Legality

CARMEN A. TRUTANICH, City Attorney

By 
HARIT U. TRIVEDI
Deputy City Attorney

Date 1/18/13

File No. 13-1300-52

Said ordinance was presented to the Mayor on FEB - 1 2013; the Mayor returned said ordinance to the City Clerk on FEB 13 2013 without his approval or his objections in writing, being more than ten days after the same was presented to the Mayor.

Said ordinance shall become effective and be as valid as if the Mayor had approved and signed it. (Section 250(b), City Charter)