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IN THE UTAH STATE SUPREME COURT

: MEMORANDUM (LETTER) IN

: SUPPORT OF PETITION FOR

: EXTRAORDINARY WRIT OF

GRANT v. GOV. HERBERT : RELIEF

: REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL

: BRIEFING

: REQUEST FOR HEARING AND

ORAL ARGUMENTS

Case: 20180997 SC

1. My name is **Anthony P. Garcia** and I am a United States Citizen as well as a registered voter in the State of Utah. I voted on November 6 2018. I was in bed very sick. I left my house, voted and returned to my house. I was hospitalized 3 days later. My Grandson who is 14 asked me why it was so important to Vote. I told him it was a privilege to vote. I went on to tell him, if you don't vote, then you don't have a right to be heard on the issues with our government. I opened my ballot and my grandson read every candidate and proposition to be voted on. I explained to him how important Proposition 2 was. When it was voted on and passed, I thought to myself, This is the first time in 60 years that I have seen the people in the State of Utah stand up and vote for a proposition which would changed the history of Utah forever.

2. About seventeen months prior to the 2018 November election a proposition was worked on and initiated by the Utah State legislators.

On November 6, 2018 a (Proposition 2 "Utah Marijuana Cannabis Act) was introduced though a certified voting ballot to the citizens of Utah to vote on.

- 3. On November 7th 2018, I was made aware that Proposition 2 was voted on by the citizens and passed with 53% of the vote (evidence of a Blank Ballot with the wording will be produced).
- 4. Many citizens of Utah were happy expressing there opinion the Proposition had passed. (Evidence regarding actual votes of the people who voted yes will be provided.
- 5. On December 3rd 2018 the State Legislators and other Church influences met regarding the Medical Marijuana Act which the voters had passed by 53%. It was reported that Proposition 2 wording had been changed and that the original proposition had been altered.
- 6. As A citizen of Utah, I find it nearly criminal in nature the way our legislators, Governor Herbert and the LDS church influence changed the wording of a document that was on a Utah ballot.
- 7. I have voted in Utah since 1977. I have voted on many propositions and I have never heard of the legislators and governor go into a special session to change the wording on a certified State of Utah ballot.
- 8. I worked and retired from the State of Utah Department of Public Safety. I also worked and retired from The Utah Army National Guard. I had nothing but the highest respect for our Commander and Chiefs of Utah. In fact, I was a body Guard for Governor Mathison as well as for Governor Bangerter. I was once proud of being a resident of Utah. But, after proposition was manipulated by our State Government, I am truly ashamed to represent myself as a "Utahn".

- 9. Not only am I ashamed of our Government, I'm disgusted with the way the predominant religion has put my family, friends and others in a very bad situation. By this I mean, We the people have a right to vote in privacy and not disclose to anyone what or who we voted For or On. Our privacy is very important when it comes to voting. After speaking to hundreds of people through social media and telephone, I have been told by many people, (I voted for Proposition 2, but I don't want the church to know), therefore thousands of people want to step up but cant for fear of retribution from their church and friends. "The first amendment rights of these people has been compromised).
- 10. I, Anthony Garcia am exercising my first amendment right. I feel it was Unconstitutional for our State Government to modify or change any part of the wording on a Certified Ballot the people voted on. If this kind of immoral act can happen now, what about our children, grandchildren and Citizens voting rights in the future. There is a new generation following us. I pray our Higher Court will address this issue so that my rights, the people's rights and our new generations rights on voting are not compromised.
- 11. If a proposition can be changed after the people vote yes, why have the people vote on any other propositions in the future. And if our legislators think they have the power to change a vote which passed by 53%, what other immoral acts will they change on future propositions?
- 12. I ask the court to consider the act of a Special Session by Our Governor, Legislators and other church influences to change the wording on a certified ballot, <u>Unconstitutional</u> in the State of Utah.
- 13. They State Legislators worked on this proposition for 17 months prior to introducing it on a certified Utah ballot. If they felt they initiative was not complete or needed revising, it should have never been introduced on a certified voting ballot for the people to vote on. This clearly shows the incompetence, inexperience, understanding and knowledge of the proposition they introduced to the people of the State of Utah.

14. I ask the court to find the 5 day window to file an application for referendum on a bill the legislature passed Unconstitutional. This is to short of a time to gather, prepare and consult with other concerned citizens throughout the State of Utah.

15. I further ask that once a proposition is introduced to a Utah Certified Voting Ballot and is voted on either yea or nought, it cannot be changed.

Summary

I have never filed any type of grievance against the State Of Utah for any reason and never will unless I feel the rights of the people have been violated. But this time it has gone to far, it was an obvious conspiracy by our Governor, Legislators and other church officials to manipulate a Proposition that they didn't think would pass. And when it did they scrambled to manipulate what was written on a Certified Utah Ballot. That is when the peoples rights to vote were violated.

Honorable Justices,

I pray that you will investigate, ponder, understand how the rights of the people in the the State of Utah have been violated in this case. Please think of our future generation. I also pray that Our Higher Court representing the State of Utah render a decision that is fair to the citizens of Utah.

X /S/ Anthony P. Garcia DATE _December 19, 2018___

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on December 19, 2018, a true and correct copy of the foregoing

MEMORANDUM (LETTER) IN SUPPORT OF PETITION FOR EXTRAORDINARY WRIT OF RELIEF

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL BRIEFING,

REQUEST FOR HEARING AND ORAL ARGUMENTS, was deposited in the United States mail or was sent by electronic mail to be delivered to:

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