October 5, 2020

The Honorable Paul Pate
Secretary of State
Via Email

Re: Filing of SJR 18 Certificate of Newspaper Selection

Dear Secretary Pate:

Please find the attached “Certificate of Newspapers for Constitutional Amendment Publication” concerning Senate Joint Resolution 18. That document is required to be filed with your office pursuant to Iowa Code section 49A.3 as part of the “proof of publication” process involving proposed amendments to the Iowa Constitution.

Sincerely,

W. Charles Smithson
Secretary of the Senate
Certificate of Newspapers for Constitutional Amendment Publication


2. The passage of SJR 18 triggered the process set out in Iowa Code chapter 49A concerning the publication of the proposed amendment prior to it being considered by the 89th General Assembly.

3. As part of the publication process, Iowa Code section 49A.1 requires the General Assembly to publish the proposed amendment in “two newspapers of general circulation in each congressional district in the state....” Article X, Section 1, of the Iowa Constitution requires this publication for three months prior to the 2020 General Election.

4. Iowa Code section 49A.3(1)(a) requires, in part, that the General Assembly file a “certificate by the general assembly of the selection of such newspapers.” This document serves as said ‘certificate.’

5. The newspapers selected for the publication are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

6. Although the General Assembly is only required to publish the proposed amendment for three months, the decision was made, out of an abundance of caution, to publish the amendment for four months.

Sincerely,

Meghan Nelson
Chief Clerk
Iowa House of Representatives

W. Charles Smithson
Secretary of Senate
Iowa Senate

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Iowa Code section 49A.3(1)(a) also requires the filing of "affidavits of the publishers of the newspapers designated by the general assembly for publication...." These affidavits will be filed under separate cover.
## EXHIBIT A

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