“WARNING”

It is a felony for anyone to sign an initiative petition with any name other than his own, or knowingly to sign his name more than once for the same measure, or to sign such petition when he is not a legal voter.

INITIATIVE PETITION

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OKLAHOMA SECRETARY
OF STATE

To The Honorable David Walters,
Governor of Oklahoma:

We, the undersigned citizens and legal voters of the State of Oklahoma, respectfully order that the following proposed amendment to the Constitution, shall be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Oklahoma for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election, and each for himself says: I have personally signed this petition; I am a legal voter of the State of Oklahoma; my residence or post office are correctly written after my name. The time for filing this petition expires ninety days from November 1, 1993. The question we herewith submit to our fellow voters is:

SHALL THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION BE APPROVED?

BALLOT TITLE

This measure amends Article 2, of the Oklahoma Constitution by adding a new section to be designated Section 12A. The new section limits eligibility for candidacy as United States Representative or United States Senator based on number of years already elected to serve. It declares a person ineligible to appear on the ballot for election to Congress if that person has served by the end of the then current term of office as United States Representative for three (3) two-year terms, or as United States Senator two (2) six-year terms, or both for a total of eighteen (18) years. The new section excludes the years elected to serve as a member of Congress which began prior to the election at which the measure was enacted and years served by person appointed to complete vacated term. It does not prevent casting a ballot by writing a name of a person on the ballot or from having that ballot counted regardless of number of years that person has been elected to serve. It does not prevent a person from campaigning by means of a “write-in” campaign if that procedure is otherwise authorized in the Constitution or by law.

SHALL THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT BE APPROVED?

( ) YES - For the Amendment
( ) NO - Against the Amendment
Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Oklahoma that Article II of the Oklahoma Constitution be amended by the addition of a new section to be designated as Section 12A, to read as follows:

Section 12A. Beginning January 1, 1995 persons wanting to become a candidate for election to the United States Congress from this State for a term beginning on or after January 1, 1995, shall be subject to the following provisions:

A. Any person seeking to have his or her name placed on the ballot for election to the United States House of Representatives shall be ineligible if, by the end of the then current term of office, that person has served in that office for three (3) two-year terms.

B. Any person seeking to have his or her name placed on the ballot for election to the United States Senate shall be ineligible if, by the end of the then current term of office, that person has served in that office for two (2) six-year terms.

C. A person elected to serve as a member of the United States Congress shall be eligible to serve as a Representative for a total of six (6) years and as a Senator for a total of twelve (12) years for a maximum total of eighteen (18) years as a member of Congress from this State.

D. The provisions of this section shall not be applicable to or include:
   1. The years served by any person as a member of the United States House of Representatives or as a member of the United States Senate which began prior to the election at which this measure was enacted.
   2. The years served by a person who has been appointed to complete the remainder of a vacated term.

E. The provisions of this Section shall not be construed so as to prevent casting a ballot for any person regardless of the number of years previously served in the United States Congress by writing the name of that person on the ballot, or from having such ballot counted or to prevent a person from campaigning by means of a “write-in” campaign if that procedure is otherwise authorized in this Constitution or by law.

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November 19, 1993

The Honorable John Kennedy
Secretary of State
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Dear Secretary Kennedy:

Having found that the Proponents’ Suggested Ballot Title for the above referenced Initiative Petition was not in harmony with the law, we have, in accordance with the provisions of 34 O.S.Supp. 1992, § 9(D)(1), prepared the following substitute Ballot Title for filing in your office:

BALLOT TITLE

This measure adds a new section to Article 2 of the Oklahoma Constitution. This measure would place the following limits on the terms of United States Representatives and Senators from Oklahoma:

1. no Representative could serve more than three (3) two-year terms;
2. no Senator could serve more than two (2) six-year terms; and
3. no person would be able to serve more than six (6) years as a Representative and twelve (12) years as a Senator for a total of eighteen (18) years service.

Terms begun by a United States Representative or Senator from Oklahoma prior to this measure’s passage would not be counted in calculating term limits. This measure would not apply to persons appointed to complete a vacated term. This measure would not prohibit the casting or counting of write-in ballots. This measure would not prohibit write-in campaigns that are allowed by law. Unless similar measures are approved in other states, their United States Representatives
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and Senators could serve longer terms than Oklahoma’s Representatives or Senators.

SHALL THIS PROPOSAL BE APPROVED BY THE PEOPLE?

______ Yes, for the Proposal.

______ No, against the Proposal.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

SUSAN B. LOVING
ATTORNEY GENERAL

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