RESOLUTION NO. 11674

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE PROVIDING FOR THE FILING OF REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS FOR CITY MEASURES SUBMITTED AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

WHEREAS, California Elections Code Section 9282 provides for written arguments to be filed in favor of or against city measures not to exceed 300 words in length; and

WHEREAS, California Elections Code Section 9285 authorizes the City Council, by majority vote, to adopt provisions to provide for the filing of rebuttal arguments for city measures submitted at municipal elections.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Orange does hereby resolve, declare, determine and order as follows:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to California Elections Code Section 9285, when the elections official has selected the arguments for and against the measure (not exceeding 300 words each) which will be printed and distributed to the voters, the election official shall send a copy of an argument in favor of the proposition to the authors of any argument against the measure and a copy of an argument against the measure to the authors of any argument in favor of the measure immediately upon receiving the arguments.

SECTION 2. The author or a majority of the authors of an argument relating to a city measure may prepare and submit a rebuttal argument not exceeding 250 words or may authorize in writing any other person or persons to prepare, submit, or sign the rebuttal argument.

SECTION 3. A rebuttal argument shall not be signed by more than five authors.

SECTION 4. The rebuttal arguments shall be filed with the City Clerk, signed, with the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the author(s) submitting it, or if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization, and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers, not more than 10 days after the final date for filing direct arguments. The rebuttal arguments shall be accompanied by the Form of Statement To Be Filed By Author(s) of Argument.

SECTION 5. Rebuttal arguments shall be printed in the same manner as the direct arguments. Each rebuttal argument shall immediately follow the direct argument which it seeks to rebut.

SECTION 6. This resolution repeals previous resolutions providing for the filing of rebuttal arguments for city measures.

SECTION 7. The City Clerk shall make the rebuttal arguments available for public examination in accordance with the provisions of California Elections Code Section 9295. The City Clerk shall also transmit the rebuttal agreements for or against to the Elections Official for the County of Orange on the date required by that official, for inclusion in the official election pamphlet for the election on November 3, 2026.

SECTION 8. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and enter it into the book of original Resolutions.

ADOPTED this 26th day of May 2026.

Daniel R. Slater, Mayor, City of Orange

ATTEST:

Pamela Coleman, City Clerk, City of Orange

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Nathalie Adourian, City Attorney,
City of Orange

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF ORANGE) ss.
CITY OF ORANGE)

I, PAMELA COLEMAN, City Clerk of the City of Orange, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the City Council of the City of Orange at a regular meeting thereof held on the 26th day of May 2026, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Barrios, Tavoularis, Gutierrez, Gyllenhammer, Slater
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Bilodeau, Dumitru

Pamela Coleman, City Clerk, City of Orange