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**• PETITION FOR INITIATIVE MEASURE •
TO AMEND THE MISSISSIPPI CONSTITUTION**

TO THE HONORABLE DELBERT ROSEMANN, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

We, the undersigned citizens and qualified electors of the State of Mississippi, respectfully direct that this petition and the proposed measure known as Initiative Measure No. 39, entitled Should the Mississippi Constitution be amended to provide for an African American Day and a Women's Day?

a full, true and correct copy of which is printed or attached to this petition, be transmitted to the Legislature of the State of Mississippi at its next ensuing regular session, and we respectfully petition the Legislature to adopt the proposed measure; and each of us for himself or herself says: *"I have personally signed this petition, I am a qualified elector of the State of Mississippi in the city (or town), county, and congressional district written after my name, my residence address is correctly stated and I have knowingly signed this petition only once."*

Ballot Summary

Initiative #39 would amend the Mississippi Constitution to provide that the last day in February be declared African American Day in honor, recognition and commemoration of the legacy of contributions to Mississippi made by American citizens of African descent, and that August 26th be declared to be Women's Day in honor, recognition, and commemoration of the legacy of contributions to Mississippi made by women. Both days shall be recognized as legal holidays.

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CERTIFICATE OF PETITION CIRCULATOR:

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I hereby certify that I am a resident of the State of Mississippi during the time at which this petition is being circulated.

Signature of Circulator: _____ Printed name: _____
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 Current telephone number: _____ Date signed: _____

**“AFRICAN AMERICAN DAY” AND
“WOMEN’S DAY INITIATIVE”**

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Re: “African American Day” and “Women’s Day”

**IN THE MATTER OF PROPOSED INITIATIVE TO AMMEND THE MISSISSIPPI
CONSTITUTION OF 1890 RELATING TO AFRICAN AMERICAN DAY AND
WOMEN’S DAY;**

1. *The last day of February is declared to be African American day in honor, recognition and commemoration of the legacy of contributions to the State of Mississippi that have been made by American Citizens of African descent. This day shall be a day of recognition and commemoration and shall be recognized as a legal state holiday.*
2. *August 26th is declared to be Women’s Day in honor, recognition and commemoration of the legacy of contributions to the State of Mississippi that have been made by American women. This day shall be a day of recognition and commemoration and shall be recognized as a legal state holiday.*

ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

The amount and source of revenue to implement the Initiative would be comparable to the same benefits as any legal state holiday in Mississippi. Once adopted it could cost the State 12.3 million dollars for each holiday. The money will be paid from the State’s general fund and special fund.

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