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August 11, 2020

Re: Declaration of Insufficiency
Petition Sponsor: Arkansas Voters First
Petition: Citizens Commission for an Independent Redistricting Commission

Dear Mr. Couch:

On July 24, 2020, the Arkansas Supreme Court entered a *per curiam* directing me to "continue facial review of the petition regarding redistricting submitted by Arkansas Voters First and to begin verifying signatures on both initiative petitions." My office immediately complied with the directive.

My declaration of insufficiency after facial review was communicated to you by letter dated July 23, 2020. I have now completed verification of the 90,493 facially valid signatures from the initial count.

Pursuant to Article 5, § 1 of the Constitution of Arkansas, at least 66,864 (75% of 89,151) signatures from registered Arkansas voters are required to correct or amend an insufficient petition. I have verified that a total of 64,722 registered Arkansas voters signed the petition, thus the petition does not qualify for a cure period.

Sincerely,

John Thurston

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Secretary of State

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EXHIBIT A