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# A CITIZEN PETITION TO

# **ESTABLISH A MINIMUM WAGE ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF TACOMA**

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May 20, 2015
General Election Day
November 3, 2015

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#### FOR SUBMISSION TO THE TACOMA CITY COUNCIL, TACOMA WASHINGTON

To Doris Sorum, City Clerk, City of Tacoma:

We, the undersigned citizens and legal voters of Tacoma, Washington, respectfully direct that the proposed measure know as Initiative Measure No. 1, entitled:

## (insert official Ballot title)

a full true and correct copy of which is printed on the reverse side of this petition, be transmitted to the City Council of the City of Tacoma, and we respectfully petition the City Council to enact said proposed measure into law; and each of us for himself or herself says: I have personally signed this petition; I am a legal voter of the State of Washington in the city written after my name, my residence address is correctly stated, and I have knowingly signed this petition only once.

#### **SUMMARY**

This measure proposes an ordinance to establish a minimum wage in the City of Tacoma of fifteen dollars per hour, to be adjusted for inflation annually. The ordinance exempts those businesses that the City Tax Code defines as small businesses (currently, those with a gross income of less than \$300,000) from Tacoma's minimum wage law. The ordinance authorizes the city to investigate complaints and enforce compliance. The law establishes a Citizen's Minimum Wage Commission, which reviews the City's enforcement performance annually and verifies the adequacy of the Minimum Wage every 5 years. The City may restrict repeat violators from city contracts, land use appraisals, entitlements to expand, or to operate within the city based on a history of noncompliance.

#### Warning

Every person who signs this petition with any other than his or her true name, or who knowingly signs more that one of these petitions, or signs a petition seeking an election when he or she is not a legal voter, or signs a petition when he or she is otherwise not qualified to sign, or who makes herein any false statement, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

By signing this petition, your information written below is subject to public disclosure.

### City of Tacoma Voters please sign below for this Tacoma Initiative petition.

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