



COUNTY OF DEL NORTE COUNTY  
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**AGENDA DATE: March 08, 2022**

**TO: Del Norte County Board of Supervisors**

**FROM: Del Norte County Registrar of Voters, Alissia Northrup** *By A Northrup*

**SUBJECT: Certification of the results of petition to repeal Measure R.**

**RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD ACTION:** It is requested that the attached certification of the results of the petition to Repeal Measure R be accepted by the Del Norte County Board of Supervisors.

**Discussion/Summary:**

The petition attempting to Repeal Measure R was submitted and has been found to be sufficient to be placed on the June 07, 2022 Primary Election ballot.

**ALTERNATIVE:**

**FINANCING:**

Due to this being a citizen's initiative that was found to be sufficient the County will be responsible for the cost of placing on the June ballot.

**CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT**

**This section meets** *Choose an item.* **of the following outcome measures for children in Del Norte County:**

- Children ready for and succeeding in school.
- Children and youth are healthy and preparing for adulthood.
- Families are economically self-sufficient.
- Families are safe, stable and nurturing.

Communities are safe and provide a high quality of life.

No impact to Children as a result of this action.

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

**SIGNATURE REQUIRED:**

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**

AUDITOR:

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:

COUNTY COUNSEL:

PERSONNEL:

OTHER DEPARTMENT:

# Petition Statistics

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REPEAL MEASURE R

Petition ID:353

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| Total Sigs Required  | 416 |
| Total Sigs Submitted | 852 |
| Total Sample Size    | 0   |
| Total Sigs Verified  | 528 |

|       |                                    | TOTAL CHALLENGED |
|-------|------------------------------------|------------------|
| MAX   | DUPLICATE                          |                  |
|       | Total                              | 4                |
| NACT  | VALID INACTIVATION OR CANCELLATION |                  |
|       | Total                              | 3                |
| NMDIF | NAME DIFFERENT                     |                  |
|       | Total                              | 1                |
| NR    | NOT REGISTERED                     |                  |
|       | Total                              | 55               |
| SIG   | SIGNATURE MISCOMPARES              |                  |
|       | Total                              | 12               |
| WA    | WRONG ADDRESS                      |                  |
|       | Total                              | 34               |
| WREG  | WRONG REG DATE                     |                  |
|       | Total                              | 3                |
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| TOTAL |                                    | 112              |

TOTAL VALID : 416

THIS IS A TRUE CERTIFIED COPY OF THE RECORD  
FILED IN THE COUNTY OF DEL NORTE RECORDER'S  
OFFICE IF IT BEARS THE SEAL IN PURPLE INK.



*Alissia Northrup*  
DEPUTY  
ALISSIA NORTHRUP

**Title: An Initiative to Repeal Measure R**

**Summary: At the 2020 general election, the voters of the unincorporated area of Del Norte County approved Measure R, which imposed a one percent sales tax within the unincorporated area of the county. This initiative would repeal that sales tax.**

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO CIRCULATE INITIATIVE PETITION

Notice is hereby given by the person whose name appear hereon of their intention to circulate the petition within the County of Del Norte for the purpose of submitting an initiative measure to vote of the people.

A Statement of Reasons of the proposed action as contemplated in the petition is as follows:

Voters of the County of Del Norte approved Measure R by 50.24% YES, and 49.76% NO vote. The measure was placed on the November 3, 2020 ballot by the Board of Supervisors, establishing a 1% sales tax.

- **Currently, we have high unemployment, high poverty, high taxes, high gas prices, and inflated food costs. Our Sales tax is higher than Sacramento's which is 7.5%. Add California State Tax, which is the highest in the Nation, and Federal Taxes, and the Citizens in the County of Del Norte are being taxed to death. Taxes alone eclipse those seen in the original Thirteen Colonies prior to the American Revolution of 1776; not to mention our lack of Local, State and Federal representation.**
- **Employees of the County have not voluntarily reduced their salaries or benefits and actually have given themselves a raise within the last three years while many others that are not government employees have lost their businesses, their homes and are struggling.**
- **No attempt has been made to re-prioritize financial needs in the light of our Community Emergency. Existing programs and overhead have not been trimmed, and low-priority and unnecessary expenses remain in place.**
- **The Board of Supervisors determined the tax would be used for Emergency Preparedness, Roads, Law Enforcement, maintaining jails, ambulance and Fire. However, the money was placed in a general fund. That means there must be constant watch on how the Supervisors are spending the money. Had the oversight committee been watching they would have spoken out against paying \$70,000 to a failed Tri-Agency.**
- **We have learned from the Citizen's Oversight Committee that the \$25 million dollar School Bond does not protect the taxpayer's money. The Del Norte Unified School Unified District is currently under investigation by an outside organization. Findings substantiate that the Oversight Committee has not operated in an INDEPENDENT and LEGAL capacity since it's inception 12 years ago. Meaning, instead of the Oversight Committee producing an independent report; the School District has provided the Oversight Committees with their own Public reports, and the Oversight Committee rubber-stamped such reports. There was no independence because none of the Oversight Committee members were properly trained.**

Name of Proponent



Linda Sutter

**THE TEXT OF THE INITIATIVE MEASURE IS SET FORTH BELOW**

The people of Del Norte County hereby ordain as follows: Measure R which was enacted as Resolution 2020-036 on July 28, 2020, is hereby repealed:

~~COUNTY OF DEL NORTE~~

~~STATE OF CALIFORNIA~~

~~RESOLUTION NO. 2020-036~~

~~RESOLUTION OF THE DEL NORTE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS~~

~~SUBMITTING THE DEL NORTE COUNTY TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX~~

~~ORDINANCE TO BE PRESENTED TO, AND APPROVED BY THE ELECTORATE AT THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 GENERAL ELECTION~~

~~WHEREAS, Revenue and Taxation code §7285 authorizes a county to "levy, increase, or extend a transactions and use tax throughout the entire county or within the unincorporated area of the county for general purposes", and~~

~~WHEREAS, a tax authorized by Revenue and Taxation code §7285 must be approved by a majority vote of the qualified voters of the entire county if levied on the entire county or the unincorporated area of the county if levied on the unincorporated area of the county, voting in an election on the issue, and~~

~~WHEREAS, Article XIII C of the California Constitution and Government Code §53724 require that an ordinance proposing a general tax shall be submitted to the electorate of the local government and approve by a majority vote, and~~

~~WHEREAS, Elections Code §9140 provides that the board of supervisors may submit to the voters, without a petition, an ordinance for the repeal, amendment, or enactment of any ordinance; and~~

~~WHEREAS, Government Code §53724 provides that a tax may be submitted to the voters by a resolution of the Board of Supervisors approved by 2/3 of the board; and~~

~~WHEREAS, Revenue and Taxation Code Section 7270, the tax must be collected by the State pursuant to contract with the county;~~

~~NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, pursuant to Government Code §53724 and Elections Code §9140, the Board of Supervisors proposes to the electorate an ordinance to impose a 1% transactions and use tax within the unincorporated area of the county, which shall be a general tax which may be used for any general government purpose, which is attached as Exhibit A, to be placed on the ballot for the Statewide General Election scheduled for November 3, 2020.~~

~~BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED that the following measure be submitted to the voters, and that the Registrar of Voters be, and hereby is, instructed to place the measure on the ballot at said election in the following form; "to support vital local services including; providing support for law enforcement for emergency response, repairing potholes, and maintaining streets; preparing for and responding to natural disasters and health emergencies; maintaining emergency dispatch services for fire, ambulance and law enforcement; maintaining jail and criminal justice services; addressing blight, and public nuisances; and other general services and infrastructure; shall the measure be adopted imposing a one percent sales tax in the unincorporated area of the county, until ended by voters, providing \$1.2 million dollars annually, with citizen oversight and independent audits?~~

~~PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020.~~