Dear Candidate or Committee Member:

As a candidate or campaign worker for either office or a ballot measure, this reminder about State law governing campaign signs should be helpful to you.

Section 5405.5 of the State Outdoor Advertising Act exempts the placing of Temporary Political Signs from normal outdoor advertising display requirements.

A Temporary Political Sign meets the following criteria:

A. Encourages a particular vote in a schedule election.

B. Is placed not sooner than 90 days prior to the schedule election and is removed within 10 days after that election.

C. Is no larger than 32 square feet.

D. Has had a Statement of Responsibility filed with the Department certifying a person who will be responsible for removing the sign (Attached).

A completed Statement of Responsibility must be submitted to:

Division of Traffic Operations
Outdoor Advertising Program
P.O. Box 942874, MS-36
Sacramento, CA 94274-0001

Temporary Political Signs shall not be placed within the right-of-way of any highway, or be visible within 600 feet from the edge of the right-of-way of a classified “Landscaped freeway”.

State law directs the Department of Transportation to remove unauthorized Temporary Political Signs and bill the responsible party for their removal. We are calling these provisions to your attention to avoid possible embarrassment to you and your supporters. Please pass this information along to those assisting in your campaign.

Should you have any questions, comments or need additional information, please call (916) 654-6473.

Enclosure
STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR TEMPORARY POLITICAL SIGNS

Election Date: _____ June   _____ November   Other: __________________________

Candidate’s Name: ________________________________________________

Office sought or Proposition Number: ________________________________

County where sign(s) will be placed: _________________________________

Number of signs to be placed: ______________________________________

RESPONSIBLE PARTY:

Name: ___________________________________________________________

Address: _________________________________________________________

Phone Number (Include Area Code) _________________________________

The undersigned hereby accepts responsibility for the removal of Temporary Political Signs placed pursuant to Section 5405.3 of the Outdoor Advertising Act for the above candidate or proposition.

It is understood and agreed that any Temporary Political Signs placed sooner than ninety (90) days prior to the election and/or not removed within ten (10) days after the election, may be removed by the Department and the responsible party will be billed for any associated removal costs.

SIGNATURE OF RESPONSIBLE PARTY                                DATE

Mail Statement of Responsibility to:

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