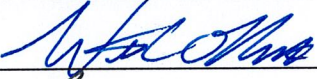
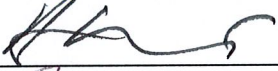



**FORM OF STATEMENT TO BE FILED BY
AUTHORS OF ARGUMENT**

The undersigned proponents or authors of the primary argument in favor of the ballot measure adding Section 713 to the Newport Beach City Charter establishing the powers and duties of the Harbor Commission and making the Harbor Commission a City Charter designated Appointive Board and Commission, at the General Municipal Election for the City of Newport Beach to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, hereby state that the argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

SIGN NAME	PRINT NAME	DATE
	Mayor Will O'Neill	May 20, 2020
	Mayor Pro Tem Brad Avery	May 20, 2020
	Councilman Marshall "Duffy" Duffield	May 20, 2020

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**DIRECT ARGUMENT IN SUPPORT OF NEWPORT BEACH
CHARTER AMENDMENT _____**

Newport Harbor is the jewel of our city.

An area that started a hundred years ago as mud flats and swamps has transformed into the largest recreational harbor on the west coast. Homes and business line its shores, boats and paddlers enjoy its tranquility, and wildlife has returned to increasingly cleaner water.

Our city's economic analysis shows that our Harbor supports 1,100 businesses employing 9,200 workers and generates \$391 million in economic activity for the city. Our city's General Plan describes Newport Harbor as a "vital component of Newport Beach's natural resources, community identity, and economy."

Harbor operations are complex and regulated by thirteen federal, state and local agencies.

The city established the Harbor Commission in 2002 by ordinance to advise our City Council on operational, environmental and regulatory issues that control the Harbor.

The need for the Harbor Commission's specific expertise was evident recently when the Commission spent three years preparing a comprehensive revision to our Harbor Code to reflect today's modern uses and regulations.

Just like the Arts Commission and Parks, Beaches and Recreation Commission, Measure ____ places the Harbor Commission in the City Charter, protecting it from future political whims.

We believe the Harbor Commission's work should continue unfettered by future local politics. Measure ____ does that.

We ask for your Yes vote on Measure ____.

Mayor Will O'Neill



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