

RULES TO ENSURE THAT SIGNATURES TO PROTECT MARRIAGE ARE NOT REJECTED!

PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

- All signatures on a petition sheet must be from the **SAME TOWN**.
- All signatures must be written in **INK**.
- All signatures must be from **REGISTERED VOTERS**.
- Use the **STREET ADDRESS** where the signer is registered to vote—i.e., the home address (no P.O. box);
 - **Do Not** make any extraneous marks on petition sheets.
 - **Do Not** sign more than once.
 - **Do Not** number petition sheets.
 - **Do Not** highlight or underline anything!
 - **Do Not** put the name, initials or telephone number of the signature collector on the petition.
 - **Do Not** make marks to count the number of signatures on a petition, and **do not** total the number on the sheet.
- ✓ **DO** bring scratch paper for signers to use to get their pens working.
- ✓ **DO** instruct signers to use their names as registered on the voter rolls, or substantially in the same form as registered.
- ✓ **DO** instruct signers to start over on a new line if they make a mistake, as altered signatures will be disallowed.
- ✓ **DO** instruct people to sign only for themselves (unless the person is disabled, thus unable to sign for him or herself, and is present when another signs for him or her). Husbands and wives may not sign for each other except under these conditions (i.e., one spouse is disabled).
- ✓ **DO** print the name of the city or town in the box labeled "city or town" (i.e., BOSTON, not the neighborhood name) on the bottom of the front of the petition sheet. You may also print it in one or both of the boxes labeled "city or town" on the back. Do not write it anywhere else on the sheet.