



KENNETH LOUIS
CITY CLERK
NEWARK, NEW JERSEY
07102

April 20, 2017

Certification

I, Kenneth Louis, Municipal Clerk of the City of Newark, New Jersey, in compliance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:69A-187, have cause to be examined a one page letter, dated April 11, 2017, received and filed by this office on April 11, 2017, from Eric Martindale, Carl Hill and Freedom Bremner, Steering Committee, Newark Tenants United, 380 Mount Prospect Avenue, Apartment 10C, Newark, NJ 07104, advising that they "wish to submit a Referendum Petition to repeal City of Newark Ordinance 17-0273, as adopted by a majority vote of the Members of the City of Newark Municipal Council on March 7, 2017 ", a copy of which is attached. (Hereinafter, the letter shall be referred to as the "Petition").

I further certify that this Ordinance¹ was adopted on second reading and final passage by the Municipal Council on March 7, 2017, as 6PSF-A(s).

I further certify that said Petition was filed on April 11, 2017, more than 20 days after final passage by the Municipal Council. See N.J.S.A. 40: 69A-185.

I further certify that said petition is insufficient in that it is supported by an insufficient number of signatures. A referendum petition must be supported by "at least 15% of the total votes cast in the municipality at the last election at which members of the General Assembly were elected." The Essex County Clerk provided evidence that a total of 80,348 votes were cast by voters of the City of Newark at the last General Assembly Election held in the year 2016. Therefore, as a threshold matter, any referendum petition is required to be supported by the signatures of at least 12,052 qualified voters. N.J.S.A. 40:69A-185.

¹ An Ordinance Further Amending Title 19, Chapter 2, Rent Control Regulations, Rent Control Board, of the Revised General Ordinances of the City of Newark, New Jersey, 2000, as Amended and Supplemented, by Incorporating a New Procedure for Calculating the Maximum Rent Increase and Removing all Appeals to the Municipal Council in Favor of Appeals to the Superior Court of New Jersey, 6PSF-A(s), March 7, 2017.

I further certify that said Petition is insufficient because it fails to indicate after each signature a sufficient description of the signer's place of residence, such as their street and house number. See N.J.S.A. 40: 69A – 186.

I further certify that said Petition is insufficient because it fails to list the name and address of five qualified voters, designated as the Committee of the Petitioners, who shall be regarded as responsible for the circulation and filing of the petition. See N.J.S.A. 40: 69A – 186.

I further certify that said petition is insufficient because it fails to include on each separate petition paper an affidavit of the circulator thereof that he/she, and only he/she, personally circulated the foregoing paper, and that all the signatures appended thereto were made in his/her presence, and that he/she believes them to be the genuine signatures of the persons whose names they purport to be. See N.J.S.A. 40: 69A – 186.

Notice of this determination shall be provided to the two individuals who signed the letter for which we have addresses contained on documents previously submitted to the City Clerk (requests for listing on Municipal Council Agenda for the Hearing of Citizens) and found on the voter registration records; Eric Martindale and Carl Hill. We are unable to find voter registration information for Freedom Bremner, so a copy of this determination shall be forwarded to an email address which, upon information and belief, is that of the individual known by that name.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true, according to information and belief, and that if any of the foregoing is willfully false, I am subject to punishment.



Kenneth Louis, City Clerk

Date:

FROM THE DESK OF

NEWARK TENANTS UNITED

April 11th, 2017

Office of Mr. Kenneth Louis
Newark City Clerk
920 Broad Street, Room 415
Newark, New Jersey 07102

Attention:
Ms. Edith Gile
Records Manager
Newark City Clerk's Office

To whom it may concern,

Please be advised that the citizens of the City of Newark, New Jersey, wish to submit a Referendum Petition to repeal City of Newark Ordinance 17-0273, as adopted by a majority vote of the Members of the City of Newark City Council on March 7th, 2017.

City of Newark Ordinance 17-0273, amends the following provisions of Title 19, Chapter 2, Rent Control Regulations, Rent Control Board, of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Newark, New Jersey.

Title 19:2-2. Definitions.

Title 19:2-18.4. Substantially Rehabilitated Vacant Apartment Units, sections a and e.

Title 19:2-5.4. Appeals.

Title 19:2-7.4.4 Appeals.

Title 19:2-15. Appeal Judicial Review.

Sincerely yours,



Eric Martindale



Carl Hill



Freedom Bremner

Steering Committee,
Newark Tenants United

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November 8, 2016
District Report
Essex County

City of Newark

Totals

Registration & Turnout

	Registration	Turnout	
Total Registration & Turnout	163,976	80,348	49.00%
TC-Election Day		74,353	45.34%
TC-Mail-In Ballot		1,814	1.11%
TC-Provisional		4,181	2.55%

Contests

For Electors of President and Vice President

CLINTON - KAINE	72,858	91.61%
TRUMP - PENCE	5,254	6.61%
De La FUENTE - STEINBERG	88	0.11%
CASTLE - BRADLEY	61	0.08%
KENNEDY - HART	33	0.04%
La RIVA - PURYEAR	22	0.03%
STEIN - BARAKA	693	0.87%
MOOREHEAD - LILLY	28	0.04%
JOHNSON - WELD	250	0.31%
Write-In	244	0.31%
Total	79,531	

Member of the House of Rep 8th Cong District

Albio SIRES	19,091	85.20%
Agha KHAN	2,302	10.27%
Pablo OLIVERA	832	3.71%
Dan DELANEY	154	0.69%
Write-In	27	0.12%
Total	22,406	

Member of the House of Rep 10th Cong District

Donald M. PAYNE, Jr.	39,074	95.36%
David H. PINCKNEY	964	2.35%
Aaron Walter FRASER	308	0.75%
Joanne MILLER	616	1.50%
Write-In	14	0.03%
Total	40,976	

Assembly 29th District-Unexp 1 Yr Term

Blonnie R. WATSON	34,891	91.65%
Ronda MORRISON	3,147	8.27%