

RESOLUTION NO. 20-1116

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOLVANG, CALIFORNIA, ACCEPTING THE CERTIFICATE OF SUFFICIENCY OF SIGNATURES ON THE PETITION TO RECALL COUNCILMEMBER NIELS CHRIS DJERNAES

WHEREAS, on June 25, 2020, the City Clerk/Elections Official received a copy of the Notice of Intention to Circulate Recall Petition, which proposed the recall of Council Member Niels Chris Djernaes; and

WHEREAS, on July 2, 2020; Council Member Djernaes filed and Answer to the Notice of Intention; and

WHEREAS, on July 2, 2020, the Petition for Recall form was determined to meet the statutory requirements and thus approved for signature gathering; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code Section 11220 provides that the number of requisite signatures must be equal to not less than twenty-five (25%) of Solvang registered voters; and

WHEREAS, according to the Report of Registration filed with the Secretary of State, Solvang has 3,679 registered voters, and thus 920 verified signatures were required for this Petition; and

WHEREAS, on July 20, 2020 the Petition to Recall Council Member Niels Chris Djernaes was filed with the City Clerk's Office in accordance with Elections Code Section 11220, prior to the established deadline of September 2, 2020; and

WHEREAS, after completing the prima facie review of signatures, the City Clerk/Elections Official identified 1359 unverified signatures, which is greater than the minimum 920 required, and provided the petition to the Santa Barbara County Clerk-Recorder and Elections Department for examination and verification of the signatures on July 20, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on July 24, 2020, Santa Barbara County Clerk-Recorder and Elections Department provided information for the Certificate of Sufficiency of the Recall Petition, indicating the following, and attached hereto:

- (a) The name of the Officer whose recall is sought – Niels Chris Djernaes
- (b) The title of his or her office – Council Member of the City of Solvang
- (c) The number of signatures required by law – 920
- (d) The total number of signatures on the petition – 1342
- (e) The number of valid signatures on the petition - 1156
- (f) The number of signatures which were disqualified - 186

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Solvang, California hereby accepts the Certificate of Sufficiency of the signatures on the Petition to Recall Council Member Niels Chris Djernaes.

SECTION 1. That the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and enter it into the book of original Resolutions.


PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 27th day of July 2020 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Mayor Toussaint, Council Members Clarke, & Waite

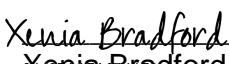
NOES: Council Member Johnson

ABSTAIN: Council Member Djernaes

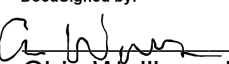
ABSENT: None

DocuSigned by:

Ryan Toussaint, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Xenia Bradford,
City Manager/City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Chip Wulbrandt, City Attorney