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MI Board of Canvassers Approves Healthcare Freedom Petition

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The Michigan Board of Canvassers has approved the Michigan Citizens for Healthcare Freedom petition to amend the Michigan Constitution. This signifies another important step in the process to protect Michigan citizens from mandatory government-run healthcare.

“While we were confident our petition would be approved, it is good to have this step behind us,” says Wendy Day, spokesperson for Michigan Citizens for Healthcare Freedom, “Now we can get back to work collecting signatures.”

The petition drive was launched in response to the passage of the Federal health care takeover bill last month. The petition would place a Constitutional amendment on the ballot in November.

Summary of the amendment:

- Prohibits government from restricting a person’s right to choose his or her own health care system or plan.
- Prohibits government from interfering with a person’s or employer’s right to pay directly for lawful medical services.
- Prohibits government from imposing a penalty or fine on those who choose to obtain or decline any healthcare coverage or to participate in any particular health care system or plan.

“We are seeing a fantastic response from folks across the state. I have personally traveled through 32 counties this past week and we have petitions being circulated in at least 70 Michigan counties,” says Day

The effort needs 381,000 valid signatures by July 5th to be considered for the November ballot. More information can be found at www.michiganhcf.com.

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