## Petition to REPEAL the Parent/Guardian Book Review Committee Ordinance

## Petition Circulator Protocols-Additional Guidance

Do NOT need to live in HB to circulate petition, but MUST live in HB to SIGN it.

Must be 18 to circulate and/or sign a petition.

Wear your "Protect our HB Library" pin!

You must witness each signature. Do NOT leave petitions lying around for others to sign.

Signatures must be from registered voters that LIVE in HB.

- 1. <u>If unregistered</u>, they can scan the QR code and register immediately and then sign.
- 2. Sign with registered name, not "legal" name (relevant mostly to married people that may have changed their name)
- 3. Ask if they have moved since the last time they voted. Even if it's within HB, they need to register and sign for new address. (QR code to register is on back of clipboard)

You can sign your own petition (as a voter) ONCE.

You MUST sign the Declaration of Circulation at the bottom of the last page for each petition.

Must spell out "Huntington Beach". If a signer writes only "HB", the circulator may write the full name.

If the signer makes a <u>small mistake</u>, line it out, and have them correct it and initial it. If they make a <u>larger</u> <u>mistake</u>, line out the whole entry and do it again in the next box.

Use the script to inform the voter if needed. Some people will already be informed.

Be sure to let people know that you are a volunteer, not a paid signature-gatherer.

**DO NOT ARGUE!** Thank the person and wish them a good day.

Always circulate with a friend in a public place.

Stay engaged <u>IN FRONT</u> of the table. Use chairs sparingly behind the table.

Return any signatures collected at the end of the month, even if the petition isn't full. **DO NOT GET SIGNATURES FOR THE NEXT MONTH ON THE SAME PETITION.** 

Do not argue with <u>person of authority</u> in front of an establishment. Pack up and leave and find another location.

## Recommendations:

- 1. <u>Practice your script</u> and FAQ's before going out to collect signatures.
- 2. Prepare to be outdoors—bring a hat, sunscreen, water, etc.
- 3. If tabling, bring multiple petitions so more than one person can sign at a time. (Use a piece of cardboard for second and/or third petition.)
- 4. Take petitions to parties, book clubs, meetings, school, family gatherings, etc. Every local gathering is an opportunity.
- 5. Use <u>table with banner</u> to grab attention and look professional. Chairs are not necessary.

<u>In-person petitions</u> like ours are **OFFICIAL** and can get onto the ballot. <u>Online petitions</u> only indicate support but are NOT official.