IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR SALT LAKE COUNTY, STATE OF UTAH

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF UTAH, MORMON WOMEN FOR ETHICAL GOVERNMENT, STEFANIE CONDIE, MALCOLM REID, VICTORIA REID, WENDY MARTIN, ELEANOR SUNDWALL, JACK MARKMAN, and DALE COX,

Plaintiffs,

v.

UTAH STATE LEGISLATURE; UTAH LEGISLATIVE REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE; SENATOR SCOTT SANDALL, in his official capacity; REPRESENTATIVE BRAD WILSON, in his official capacity; SENATOR J. STUART ADAMS, in his official capacity; and LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR DEIDRE HENDERSON, in her official capacity,

Defendants.

ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO EXPEDITE PROCEEDINGS

and

SCHEDULING ORDER

Case No. 220901712

Judge Dianna M. Gibson

Plaintiffs have failed two Motions to Expedite consideration of four motions. On Thursday, September 5, 2024, Plaintiff filed a Motion for Leave to File First Supplemental Complaint to add Counts 9-14 and simultaneously filed a Motion for Preliminary Injunction on those same counts. On Saturday, September 7, 2024, Plaintiffs filed a Motion for Leave to File Second Supplemental Complaint to add Count 15 and simultaneously filed another Motion for Preliminary Injunction on that same count. Plaintiffs argue this Court must enjoin Defendants from placing the proposed constitutional amendment (Amendment D) on the ballot because the language used to describe it is both false and misleading and because Defendants have failed to provide notice of the proposed amendment by publication as strictly required by the Utah Constitution. In the alternative, if Amendment D remains on the ballot, they ask the Court to declare the amendment void.

Defendant Lt. Governor Deidre Henderson has made clear that time is of the essence. The ballots for the November 5, 2024 general election, which includes Amendment D, have been certified, programmed, proofed, and will be sent for printing *today*, Monday, September 9, 2024. Good cause exists to GRANT Plaintiffs' motions to expedite the proceedings. The Court ORDERS as follows:

Defendants shall respond to both Motions for Preliminary Injunction on Counts 9-14 and Court 15 by September 12, 2024. Plaintiffs' Replies shall be filed on September 16, 2024. The Court requests the parties advise: (1) if they request to proceed with an evidentiary hearing or oral argument; and (2) how much time will be needed. Once the Court receives the information, a hearing will be scheduled.

If there are any concerns with the deadlines or if other matters need to be addressed, contact the court immediately. A scheduling conference can be held today, September 9, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. Webex will be available for anyone who needs to appear virtually.

DATED September 9, 2024.

