

# STATE OF COLORADO

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John W. Hickenlooper  
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### EXECUTIVE ORDER

#### Proclamation

#### **Declaration of Vote on Amendment 64** - an amendment to Article XVIII of the Colorado Constitution relating to the use and regulation of marijuana

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Office of the Governor of the State of Colorado, and in particular pursuant to Article V, Section 1(4) of the Colorado Constitution, I, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the State of Colorado, hereby issue this proclamation declaring the vote on Amendment 64.

#### I. Background and Need

Amendment 64 was initiated by the people of the State of Colorado at the biennial regular election held on November 6, 2012. Secretary of State Scott Gessler certified on December 6, 2012 that he had canvassed the abstract of votes, and that this measure was approved by a majority of the votes cast.

Pursuant to Article V, Section 1(4) of the Colorado Constitution, measures initiated by or referred to the people of the state shall become the law or a part of the constitution when approved by a majority of the votes cast, and shall take effect from and after the date of the official declaration of the vote by proclamation of the governor, but not later than thirty days after the vote has been canvassed.

#### II. Declaration

Accordingly, I hereby issue this proclamation declaring the vote on the following measure initiated by the people on November 6, 2012:

Initiated Constitutional Amendment (Amendment 64): Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning marijuana, and, in connection therewith, providing for the regulation of marijuana; permitting a person twenty-one years of age or older to consume or possess limited amounts of marijuana; providing for the licensing of cultivation facilities, product manufacturing facilities, testing facilities, and retail stores; permitting local governments to

regulate or prohibit such facilities; requiring the general assembly to enact an excise tax to be levied upon wholesale sales of marijuana; requiring that the first \$40 million in revenue raised annually by such tax be credited to the public school capital construction assistance fund; and requiring the general assembly to enact legislation governing cultivation, processing, and sale of industrial hemp?

**Yes – 1,382,991 (55.33%)**

**No – 1,116,751 (44.67%)**



GIVEN under my hand and the  
Executive Seal of the State of  
Colorado this tenth day of  
December, 2012.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which reads "John W. Hickenlooper".

John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor