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#### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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KATE FELDMAN, an individual; STOP PREDATORY LEND Flicabeth Averagen nonprofit corporation,

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Appellants,

VS.

NEVADANS FOR FINANCIAL CHOICE, a Nevada Political Action Committee; CHRISTINA BAUER, an individual; FRANCISCO V. AGUILAR, in his capacity as Nevada Secretary of State; DAILYPAY, INC., a Delaware Corporation; PREFERRED CAPITAL FUNDING-NEVADA, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; ALLIANCE FOR RESPONSIBLE CONSUMER LEGAL FUNDING, an Illinois nonprofit corporation; ACTIVEHOURS, INC., a Delaware corporation; and STACY PRESS, an individual,

### Respondents.

On Appeal from the First Judicial District Court of the State of Nevada Lead Case No. 24 OC 00018 1B; consolidated with Case No. 24 OC 00021 1B, Case No.: 24 OC 00023 1B, Case No. 24 OC 00029 1B

### RESPONDENT FRANCISCO V. AGUILAR'S LIMITED ANSWERING BRIEF

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#### SUMMARY OF THE LIMITED ARGUMENT

Respondent Francisco V. Aguilar, in his official capacity as Nevada Secretary of State, takes no position on the legality of the proposed initiative petition and will comply with any final judgment in this case.

#### LIMITED ARGUMENT

The Secretary of State submits the following limited answer to Appellants' Opening Brief.

This case was brought prior to the Secretary of State having the opportunity to consider certifying the proposed initiative petition as sufficient pursuant to NRS 295.061(2). The Secretary of State takes no position on the legality of the proposed initiative petition. Appellants and the other Respondents will make arguments as to the petition's legality, and the Secretary of State will comply with any final judgment in this case. The Secretary of State also takes no position on the policy merits of the proposed initiative. If deemed legal and qualified for the 2024 general election ballot, Nevada voters will have that debate and make that policy decision.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Because the Secretary of State does not take a position on the legality of the proposed initiative, the Secretary of State does not seek any specific relief, except that under the circumstances here, no award of attorneys' fees or costs is appropriate against the Secretary of State.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 10th day of May, 2024.

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