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WHEELBARROW WILL DELIVER TSONGAS FOR US SENATE PETITIONS

A wheelbarrow and 22 persons will deliver more than 22,000 Paul Tsongas for U. S. Senate ballot petition signatures to the Massachusetts Secretary of State's office at 3:30 p.m.

The more than 22,000 signatures appear to exceed the totals for all other Senate candidates, Democratic and Republican.

In a statement issued from Washington where Tsongas is today chairing a House Interior Committee hearing, Tsongas said the key to the signature effort was the "extensive statewide campaign organization that we have built in just seven weeks. In an election with a large number of candidates, this type of an organization could well provide the margin of victory." Tsongas also pointed out that 14,000 of the total were collected outside of his fifth Congressional District.

"To date," Tsongas stated, "we have collected more petition signatures and more campaign funds than any other Democratic candidate."

The wheelbarrow and campaign workers will depart from the State House steps at 3:30 p. m. and deliver the petitions to the Secretary of State's office in the McCormack Office Building on Ashburton Place.