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PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT Vote for One Party	
<input type="checkbox"/> RALPH NADER for President	Peace and Freedom
<input type="checkbox"/> MATT GONZALEZ for Vice President	
<input type="checkbox"/> BARACK OBAMA for President	Democratic
<input type="checkbox"/> JOE BIDEN for Vice President	
<input type="checkbox"/> BOB BARR for President	Libertarian
<input type="checkbox"/> WAYNE A. ROOT for Vice President	
<input type="checkbox"/> JOHN MCCAIN for President	Republican
<input type="checkbox"/> SARAH PALIN for Vice President	
<input type="checkbox"/> CYNTHIA MCKINNEY for President	Green
<input type="checkbox"/> ROSA CLEMENTE for Vice President	
<input type="checkbox"/> ALAN KEYES for President	American Independent
<input type="checkbox"/> WILEY S. DRAKE, SR. for Vice President	
WRITE-IN	
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE	
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE 4TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT Vote for One	
<input type="checkbox"/> TOM MCCLINTOCK California State Senator	Republican
<input type="checkbox"/> CHARLIE BROWN Retired Lt. Colonel	Democratic
WRITE-IN	

STATE SENATOR	
STATE SENATOR 1ST SENATE DISTRICT Vote for One	
<input type="checkbox"/> ANSELMO A. CHAVEZ	Democratic
<input type="checkbox"/> DAVE COX Businessman/Senator	Republican
WRITE-IN	

MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY	
MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY 3RD DISTRICT Vote for One	
<input type="checkbox"/> MICHAEL "MICKEY" HARRINGTON Labor Council President	Democratic
<input type="checkbox"/> DAN LOGUE County Supervisor/Businessman	Republican
WRITE-IN	

MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY	
MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY 4TH DISTRICT Vote for One	
<input type="checkbox"/> TED GAINES Small Business Owner	Republican
WRITE-IN	

MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY	
MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY 5TH DISTRICT Vote for One	
<input type="checkbox"/> KAREN MARTINEZ Retired	Peace and Freedom
<input type="checkbox"/> ROGER NIELLO Assemblymember/Business Owner	Republican
<input type="checkbox"/> DAN LEAHY State Employee	Democratic
WRITE-IN	

NONPARTISAN

SCHOOL

**PLACER COUNTY
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Governing Board Member
Trustee Area 1
Vote for One**

GORDON JAMES HINKLE
Deputy Press Secretary
TAMI A. BRODNIK
Community Volunteer

WRITE-IN

**PLACER COUNTY
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Governing Board Member
Trustee Area 3
Vote for One**

WARREN L. JORGENSEN
Disability Services Analyst
SCOTT GNILE
Incumbent

WRITE-IN

**PLACER COUNTY
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Governing Board Member
Trustee Area 4
Vote for One**

PAM ROBIE HART
Business Analyst
DON BROPHY
Incumbent

WRITE-IN

**PLACER COUNTY
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Governing Board Member
Trustee Area 5
Vote for One**

RYAN MCSORLEY MURPHY
Businessman
LYNN M. OLIVER
Appointed Incumbent

WRITE-IN

**SIERRA JOINT COMMUNITY
COLLEGE DISTRICT
Governing Board Member
Trustee Area 4
Vote for One**

ELAINE ROWEN
Retired Schools Superintendent
DENNIS MICHAEL COTA
Small Businessman/Educator

WRITE-IN

**SIERRA JOINT COMMUNITY
COLLEGE DISTRICT
Governing Board Member
Trustee Area 7
Vote for One**

JOHN VODONICK
Businessman/Attorney/Student
AARON KLEIN
Sierra College Trustee

WRITE-IN

**CENTER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governing Board Member
Vote for no more than Two**

GAIL WONG
Electronic Technician
NANCY ANDERSON
Appointed Incumbent
MATTHEW L. "MATT" FRIEDMAN
Governing Board Member, Center USD

WRITE-IN

WRITE-IN

**ROCKLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governing Board Member
Vote for no more than Two**

CAMILLE MABEN
Board Member
MICHAEL AGOSTINI
Music School Principal
GREG DALEY
Incumbent

WRITE-IN

WRITE-IN

**TAHOE TRUCKEE
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governing Board Member
Trustee Area 2
Vote for One**

KIRSTEN LIVAK
Clinical Social Worker
MONTY S. FOLSOM
Incumbent

WRITE-IN

**TAHOE TRUCKEE
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governing Board Member
Trustee Area 4, 2 Year Term
Vote for One**

LISA MOHUN
Registered Nurse
NANCY GSKO
Appointed Incumbent

WRITE-IN

**NONPARTISAN
SCHOOL**

**PLACER UNION
HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governing Board Member
Trustee Area 5
Vote for One**

MICHAEL J. STAFFORD
Businessman
KATHLEEN B. GEARY
Incumbent

WRITE-IN

**ROSEVILLE JOINT UNION
HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governing Board Member
2 Year Term
Vote for One**

SCOTT E. HUBER
Appointed Incumbent
ANTHONY K. KONG
Physician

WRITE-IN

**ROSEVILLE JOINT UNION
HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governing Board Member
Vote for no more than Three**

WAYNE D. ROBERSON
Retail Manager
PAIGE K. STAUSS
Incumbent
GARRY L. GENZLINGER
Incumbent
R. JAN PINNEY
Incumbent

WRITE-IN

WRITE-IN

WRITE-IN

**AUBURN UNION
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governing Board Member
Vote for no more than Two**

STEVEN D. WEAVER
Local Businessman/Parent
KEN NITTLER
Engineer/Businessman
DANIEL BERLANT
Media Spokesman
LINDA BEASLEY
Incumbent

WRITE-IN

WRITE-IN

**COLFAX ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governing Board Member
Vote for no more than Two**

MICHELLE JACKIE HEIMANN
Incumbent
CARMEN M. ARMSTRONG
Retired Educator
SUZIE C. BAILEY

WRITE-IN

WRITE-IN

**DRY CREEK JOINT ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governing Board Member
Vote for no more than Two**

JEFF RANDALL
Middle School Teacher
BARRY D. STILLMAN
Incumbent
BOB KUNNMANN
Advertising Sales Manager
SCOTT B. OTSUKA
Parent/Business Owner
MONICA PRATHER
Mother

WRITE-IN

WRITE-IN

**EUREKA UNION
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governing Board Member
Vote for no more than Two**

ERIC JOHN SANCHEZ

RYAN R. JONES
USAF Reservist/Attorney
ROBERT BRUCE HOSLETT

KRISTIE GREISS
Medical Ultrasonographer
ERIC J. TEED-BOSE
Businessman

WRITE-IN

WRITE-IN

**PLACER HILLS UNION
SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governing Board Member
2 Year Term
Vote for One**

CYNTHIA J. GUNDERSON
Education Consultant
WILLIAM A. TATNALL
Business Owner/Accountant

WRITE-IN

**ROSEVILLE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governing Board Member
2 Year Term
Vote for One**

BRETT W. MCFADDEN
Appointed Incumbent
SCOTT LEAVITT
Retired Police Officer

WRITE-IN

**ROSEVILLE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Governing Board Member
Vote for no more than Two**

GARY MILLER
Teacher
STANFORD G. HIRATA
Appointed Incumbent
SUSAN T. GOTO
Incumbent

WRITE-IN

WRITE-IN

CITY	
CITY OF AUBURN Member of City Council Vote for no more than Two	
<input type="radio"/>	LISA WORTHINGTON Landscape Architectural Planner
<input type="radio"/>	DAN SOKOL Taxpayer Advocate
<input type="radio"/>	WILLIAM "BILL" KIRBY Physician/Parent
<input type="radio"/>	KEITH A. NESBITT Mayor/Businessman
<input type="radio"/>	WRITE-IN
<input type="radio"/>	WRITE-IN
CITY OF AUBURN City Clerk Vote for One	
<input type="radio"/>	JOSEPH G. R. LABRIE Auburn City Clerk
<input type="radio"/>	WRITE-IN
CITY OF AUBURN City Treasurer Vote for One	
<input type="radio"/>	GEORGE E. WILLIAMS Incumbent
<input type="radio"/>	WRITE-IN

CITY	
CITY OF COLFAX Member of City Council Vote for no more than Two	
<input type="radio"/>	BENJAMIN C. ROBERTS Business Owner
<input type="radio"/>	STEVE HARVEY Retired Marine Engineer
<input type="radio"/>	KENNETH A. DELFINO Appointed Incumbent
<input type="radio"/>	SHERRIE BLACKMUN
<input type="radio"/>	WRITE-IN
<input type="radio"/>	WRITE-IN
CITY OF COLFAX Member of City Council 2 Year Term Vote for One	
<input type="radio"/>	DONNA L. BARKLE Retired Business Manager
<input type="radio"/>	WRITE-IN
CITY OF COLFAX City Treasurer Vote for One	
<input type="radio"/>	MELBA DELFINO
<input type="radio"/>	WRITE-IN

CITY	
CITY OF LINCOLN Member of City Council Vote for no more than Three	
<input type="radio"/>	SPENCER DWIGHT SHORT Incumbent
<input type="radio"/>	PAUL D. JOINER Small Business Owner
<input type="radio"/>	TOM COSGROVE Incumbent
<input type="radio"/>	ALLEN S. CUENCA Buyer
<input type="radio"/>	STAN NADER Compost Consultant
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<input type="radio"/>	WRITE-IN
CITY OF LINCOLN City Treasurer Vote for One	
<input type="radio"/>	SHERON WATKINS Incumbent
<input type="radio"/>	WRITE-IN

CITY	
TOWN OF LOOMIS Member of Town Council Vote for no more than Two	
<input type="radio"/>	THOMAS W. MILLWARD Incumbent
<input type="radio"/>	RHONDA NELTHORPE MORILLAS Town Councilwoman/Businesswoman
<input type="radio"/>	GARY LISS Small Business Owner
<input type="radio"/>	WRITE-IN
<input type="radio"/>	WRITE-IN
TOWN OF LOOMIS Town Clerk Vote for One	
<input type="radio"/>	CHARLEEN "CRICKETT" STROCK Incumbent
<input type="radio"/>	WRITE-IN
TOWN OF LOOMIS Town Treasurer Vote for One	
<input type="radio"/>	ROGER M. CARROLL Incumbent
<input type="radio"/>	WRITE-IN

DISTRICT
<p>TRUCKEE TAHOE AIRPORT DISTRICT Director Vote for no more than Three</p> <p>CONSTANCE "CONNIE" STEVENS Local Business Owner MARY HETHERINGTON Incumbent TOM VAN BERKEM Retired Business Executive KATHLEEN EAGAN Incumbent</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p>

<p>AUBURN VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT Director Vote for no more than Three</p> <p>ROBERT J. MOORMAN DOUGLAS HENRY MOTT DIANE B. SEIFERT PHILIP N. LESTER Real Estate Developer FRANK JOSEPH CARROLL Appointed Incumbent</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p>

<p>LOOMIS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT Director Vote for no more than Three</p> <p>JOHN R. SHEARER Incumbent DENNIS L. GAGE Incumbent JON M. BERGSTROM Business Owner BRYAN K. THOMSON Firefighter</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p>
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<p>NORTH TAHOE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT Director Division 5 Vote for One</p> <p>RICHARD LOVERDE Incumbent TOM PANDOLA Retired Battalion Chief</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p>

<p>PENRYN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT Director Vote for no more than Two</p> <p>AARON T. WILLSON Incumbent PHILIP J. BARGER Retired Software Engineer F. M. "TRAVIS" TRAVNIKAR Appointed Incumbent</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p>

<p>SOUTH PLACER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT Director Vote for no more than Three</p> <p>KATHRYN M. MATTHEWS Appointed Incumbent JEFFREY MOSS Incumbent GREGARY PAUL GRENFELL Director, South Placer Fire District DAVID W. GIBLIN Retired Fire Chief</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p>

<p>NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT Director Division 3 Vote for One</p> <p>W. SCOTT MILLER Incumbent MICHAEL STRAIGHT Real Estate Broker</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p>

<p>AUBURN AREA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT Director Vote for no more than Three</p> <p>KEITH SMITH Chiropractor WAYNE T. LYNDON Retired Business Owner HARRY GORDON "GORDY" AINSLEIGH Incumbent JERRY DEVLIN Retired Businessman JIM FERRIS Retired Management Consultant JIM GRAY Incumbent THOMAS CARL GARDNER</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p> <hr/> <p>WRITE-IN</p>
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DISTRICT

FORESTHILL PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
Director
Vote for no more than Two

ROY WEST
 Small Business Owner
GREGORY WELLS
 Retired Peace Officer
ADAM WADE LARSEN
 Water Distribution Operator
BRETT C. GRANT
 Incumbent

WRITE-IN

WRITE-IN

SACRAMENTO MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT
Director
Ward 2
Vote for One

MARK BAHOUTH
 Utility Commissioner/Businessman
JOHN L. BUHL
 Small Business Manager
NANCY BUI
 Energy Technology Consultant

WRITE-IN

NORTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
Director
Seat 1
Vote for One

FRANK F. MOONEY
 Certified Public Accountant
PHIL S. THOMPSON

WRITE-IN

TAHOE CITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
Director
Seat 3
Vote for One

MERRILL MILNER
 Realtor
CHRISTINE L. MCMORROW
 Executive Director
WENDY WOOD
 Business Owner
JUDY FRIEDMAN
 Business Owner

WRITE-IN

TAHOE CITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
Director
Seat 4
Vote for One

ERIK HENRIKSON
 Incumbent
GUY PERMAN

WRITE-IN

TRUCKEE DONNER PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
Director
Vote for no more than Three

G. NEAL MOCK

DAN WARREN
 General Manager
BOB JOHNSTON
 Professor
TONY LALIOTIS
 Utility Department Manager
JOHN B. HILLSTROM
 System Engineer
JOSEPH R. AGUERA
 Incumbent
JEFF BENDER
 Mechanical Engineer
BILL THOMASON
 Incumbent

WRITE-IN

WRITE-IN

WRITE-IN

PLACER COUNTY WATER AGENCY
Director
Division 5
Vote for One

BEN A. MAVY
 Small Business Owner
T. OTIS WOLLAN
 PCWA Director/Mediator

WRITE-IN

SIERRA LAKES COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
Director
Vote for no more than Two

AL LE BEL
 Retired Audit Administrator
WADE FREEDLE
 Incumbent
JOSEPH GRAY
 Retired Engineering Executive
MARTIN BERN
 Attorney

WRITE-IN

WRITE-IN

SQUAW VALLEY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT
Director
Vote for no more than Three

JOHN WILCOX
 Incumbent
BRIAN SHEEHAN
 Engineer
CARL R. GUSTAFSON
 Civil Engineer
MAUREEN O'KEEFE
 Realtor
ERIC POULSEN
 Incumbent

WRITE-IN

WRITE-IN

WRITE-IN

MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS

STATE

1A SAFE, RELIABLE HIGH-SPEED PASSENGER TRAIN BOND ACT.

To provide Californians a safe, convenient, affordable, and reliable alternative to driving and high gas prices; to provide good-paying jobs and improve California's economy while reducing air pollution, global warming greenhouse gases, and our dependence on foreign oil, shall \$9.95 billion in bonds be issued to establish a clean, efficient high-speed train service linking Southern California, the Sacramento/San Joaquin Valley, and the San Francisco Bay Area, with at least 90 percent of bond funds spent for specific projects, with private and public matching funds required, including, but not limited to, federal funds, funds from revenue bonds, and local funds, and all bond funds subject to independent audits? Fiscal Impact: State costs of \$19.4 billion, assuming 30 years to pay both principal and interest costs of the bonds. Payments would average about \$647 million per year. When constructed, unknown operation and maintenance costs, probably over \$1 billion annually; at least partially, and potentially fully, offset by passenger fares.

YES

NO

2 STANDARDS FOR CONFINING FARM ANIMALS. INITIATIVE STATUTE.

Requires that certain farm animals be allowed, for the majority of every day, to fully extend their limbs or wings, lie down, stand up and turn around. Limited exceptions apply. Fiscal Impact: Potential unknown decrease in state and local tax revenues from farm businesses, possibly in the range of several million dollars annually. Potential minor local and state enforcement and prosecution costs, partly offset by increased fine revenue.

YES

NO

3 CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL BOND ACT. GRANT PROGRAM. INITIATIVE STATUTE.

Authorizes \$980,000,000 in general obligation bonds for construction, expansion, remodeling, renovation, furnishing and equipping of eligible children's hospitals. Fiscal Impact: State cost of about \$2 billion over 30 years to pay off both the principal (\$980 million) and interest (\$933 million) costs of the bonds. Payments of about \$64 million per year.

YES

NO

4 WAITING PERIOD AND PARENTAL NOTIFICATION BEFORE TERMINATION OF MINOR'S PREGNANCY. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Changes California Constitution, prohibiting abortion for unemancipated minor until 48 hours after physician notifies minor's parent, legal guardian, or, in limited cases, substitute adult relative. Provides an exception for medical emergency or parental waiver. Fiscal Impact: Potential unknown net state costs of several million dollars annually for health and social services programs, court administration, and state health agency administration combined.

YES

NO

5 NONVIOLENT DRUG OFFENSES. SENTENCING, PAROLE AND REHABILITATION. INITIATIVE STATUTE.

Allocates \$460,000,000 annually to improve and expand treatment programs. Limits court authority to incarcerate offenders who commit certain drug crimes, break drug treatment rules or violate parole. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs potentially exceeding \$1 billion annually primarily for expansion of offender treatment programs. State savings potentially exceeding \$1 billion annually on corrections operations. Net one-time state prison capital outlay savings potentially exceeding \$2.5 billion.

YES

NO

6 POLICE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT FUNDING. CRIMINAL PENALTIES AND LAWS. INITIATIVE STATUTE.

Requires minimum of \$965,000,000 of state funding each year for police and local law enforcement. Makes approximately 30 revisions to California criminal law. Fiscal Impact: Increased net state costs exceeding \$500 million annually due to increasing spending on criminal justice programs to at least \$965 million and for corrections operating costs. Potential one-time state prison capital outlay costs exceeding \$500 million.

YES

NO

MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS

STATE

7 RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION. INITIATIVE STATUTE.
 Requires government-owned utilities to generate 20% of their electricity from renewable energy by 2010, a standard currently applicable to private electrical corporations. Raises requirement for all utilities to 40% by 2020 and 50% by 2025. Fiscal Impact: Increased state administrative costs up to \$3.4 million annually, paid by fees. Unknown impact on state and local government costs and revenues due to the measure's uncertain impact on retail electricity rates.

YES NO

8 ELIMINATES RIGHT OF SAME-SEX COUPLES TO MARRY. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.
 Changes California Constitution to eliminate the right of same-sex couples to marry. Provides that only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California. Fiscal Impact: Over next few years, potential revenue loss, mainly sales taxes, totaling in the several tens of millions of dollars, to state and local governments. In the long run, likely little fiscal impact on state and local governments.

YES NO

9 CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. VICTIMS' RIGHTS. PAROLE. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE.
 Requires notification to victim and opportunity for input during phases of criminal justice process, including bail, pleas, sentencing and parole. Establishes victim safety as consideration for bail or parole. Fiscal Impact: Potential loss of state savings on prison operations and increased county jail costs amounting to hundreds of millions of dollars annually. Potential net savings in the low tens of millions of dollars annually on parole procedures.

YES NO

10 ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLES AND RENEWABLE ENERGY. BONDS. INITIATIVE STATUTE.
 Authorizes \$5 billion in bonds paid from state's General Fund, to help consumers and others purchase certain vehicles, and to fund research in renewable energy and alternative fuel vehicles. Fiscal Impact: State cost of about \$10 billion over 30 years to repay bonds. Increased state and local revenues, potentially totaling several tens of millions of dollars through 2019. Potential state administrative costs up to about \$10 million annually.

YES NO

11 REDISTRICTING. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE.
 Changes authority for establishing state office boundaries from elected representatives to commission. Establishes multilevel process to select commissioners from registered voter pool. Commission comprised of Democrats, Republicans, and representatives of neither party. Fiscal Impact: Potential increase in state redistricting costs once every ten years due to two entities performing redistricting. Any increase in costs probably would not be significant.

YES NO

12 VETERANS' BOND ACT OF 2008.
 This act provides for a bond issue of nine hundred million dollars (\$900,000,000) to provide farm and home aid for California veterans. Fiscal Impact: Costs of about \$1.8 billion to pay off both the principal (\$900 million) and interest (\$856 million) on the bonds; costs paid by participating veterans. Average payment for principal and interest of about \$59 million per year for 30 years.

YES NO

SCHOOL
LOS RIOS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
<p>M Shall the Los Rios Community College District be authorized to issue \$475 million in bonds at the lowest available interest rates to improve student academic performance by building classrooms, facilities and labs throughout the district including for teaching green technologies; nursing and health care programs; architecture, engineering and construction management; computer sciences; early childhood development; and fire and police public safety programs at the American River, Cosumnes River, El Dorado, Folsom, and Sacramento City College campuses?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> BONDS YES <input type="checkbox"/> BONDS NO</p>

SCHOOL
CENTER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
<p>N To acquire, construct, and improve school facilities, including building new schools and classrooms to reduce student overcrowding, improving existing schools for greater energy efficiency and increased access to computers and technology, and qualify the District for approximately \$250,000,000 in State funds, shall the District issue up to \$500,000,000 in bonds at legal interest rates, with a citizens' oversight committee, annual audits, no money for administrator salaries, and provided funds cannot be transferred to the State?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> BONDS YES <input type="checkbox"/> BONDS NO</p>

DISTRICT
PLACER HILLS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
<p>P Shall the Placer Hills Fire Protection District be allowed to exceed its Appropriations Limitation for four years beginning July 1, 2008 in order to maintain the current level of life and fire safety services protecting the residents and property of the fire district?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p>

SCHOOL
COLFAX ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
<p>Q To provide comparable quality classrooms and technology as other nearby schools, update electrical systems to improve student access to computers/modern technology, construct a science/computer/vocational classroom laboratory to provide job skills, install solar panels to reduce utility costs, shall Colfax School District issue \$2,500,000 of bonds at legal rates, to acquire, construct, repair, equip schools, with no money for administrators' salaries, independent public audits, and spending annually reviewed by a citizens' oversight committee?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> BONDS YES <input type="checkbox"/> BONDS NO</p>

COUNTY
<p>R Shall Article II, Section 207 of the Placer County Charter be amended to adjust the current \$30,000.00 maximum compensation for Placer County Supervisors, put in place by the voters of Placer County in 1992, to a maximum of \$48,000, effective January 1, 2009, with such amount adjusted each January 1 thereafter in accordance with a specially designated U.S. Department of Labor Consumer Price Index?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p>

<p>S Shall Article V, Section 507 of the Placer County Charter be amended to change the terms of the County Counsel's employment from serving at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors to employment consistent with state general law, which provides for a four year term and removal during that term for neglect of duty, malfeasance or misconduct in office, or other good cause shown?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p>
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SCHOOL
ALTA DUTCH FLAT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
<p>T Shall the Alta-Dutch Flat Union School District, in order to protect our neighborhood school's academic excellence, reduce state budget cut impacts, limit class size increases, preserve academic programs, materials, and facilities, and maintain local control, collect \$45.00 per taxable parcel annually for four years beginning July 1, 2009, with citizen oversight and exemptions for taxpayers aged 65 and older?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p>

SCHOOL
TAHOE TRUCKEE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
<p>U To improve energy efficiency, replace portable classrooms, upgrade computer/instructional technology, expand career/vocational classrooms, meet seismic safety/snow load requirements, shall Facilities Improvement District No. 1 of the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District issue \$93,530,000 of bonds at legal rates to renovate, acquire, construct, repair, equip Truckee area schools, sites, facilities, with independent financial audits, citizens' oversight, no money for administrators' salaries and maintain 1999 voter approved tax rates?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> BONDS YES <input type="checkbox"/> BONDS NO</p>

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 3**

MICHAEL "MICKEY" HARRINGTON, Democratic

Occupation: Labor Council President

Education and Qualifications: I am a true advocate for the people of Northern California. I understand from experience the need for fairness in economic life and Californian's dream of a prosperous future in our beautiful state.

In my life I have followed a traditional working path: I worked as a kid, joined the military after completing high school, and then worked 21 years for PG&E becoming a Supervisor. I worked for the IBEW, negotiating good wages, benefits and safe working conditions in my fellow PG&E workers. I volunteered as a certified hunter safety instructor and taught the safe way to handle firearms.

In my years of crisscrossing the state I have learned that good wages and safe working conditions are vital to local economies. I know we need a solid infrastructure, there's no substitute for a well maintained system of roads and public services. The same is true for the personal infrastructure that supports people. Good education, both academic and in the trades, can make a huge difference for individuals and our communities.

I've seen what works and what doesn't, and common sense combined with careful study of problems can result in solutions that work. My philosophy is that you make sure the details are right, and you do solid work from the beginning. I believe if government is run along these lines, we'd all be better off. That's what I'm about and that's why I am a candidate.

It would be my honor to serve as your Assemblyman.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 3**

DAN LOGUE, Republican

Age: 57

Occupation: County Supervisor/Small Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: As County Supervisor, I helped create 1200 new jobs, reduced unemployment and transformed a community that suffered from high unemployment into the commercial center of the county.

I helped create a \$6 million surplus, balanced every budget by cutting waste and never raising taxes.

I led government actions to prevent massive flooding in the North State and helped create public-private partnerships securing \$230 million in funding for necessary levee repairs.

As Supervisor, I cut waste by leading by example -- even cutting my own salary by 10%.

In the Assembly, I will oppose all efforts to give our families the bill for Sacramento's repeated failure to manage its own finances.

California families and seniors are being hurt by out of control gas prices. Gas prices are higher in California, in part, because we pay way too much in taxes and fees compared to other states -- only to see those same dollars wasted. I'll fight to reduce the burden of gas prices on California families.

In the Assembly, I will work to keep schools safe. I will also support education programs that will ensure all students can read, write and speak English before they graduate from high school.

I'm proud to have earned the endorsement of the California Small Business Association, California Statewide Law Enforcement Association, the National Tax Limitation PAC, Assemblyman Rick Keene, Senator Sam Aanestad and many other local leaders. I'd be honored to earn your support.

Please visit: www.DanLogue.com

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 5**

ROGER NIELLO, Republican

Occupation: State Assemblymember/Businessman

Education and Qualifications: These are tough times for many.

That's why I am working to strengthen the economy, keep good paying jobs in our state, and keep taxes down. It's why I opposed job-killing schemes that would hurt working families and increase taxes. It's why I opposed legislation that would make it more expensive to produce gasoline in our state and only further drive up prices at the pump.

To improve our schools, I wrote legislation to promote the recruitment of experienced professionals into the classroom so our children would have the best teachers possible.

To make neighborhoods safer, I served as co-chair for the Jessica's Law campaign and helped enact a new law requiring sexual predators to live more than 2,000 feet from schools. This law also requires these criminals to wear a GPS device - for life.

I co-authored measures to create a new felony for the possession of chemicals used to make methamphetamine and to extend the statute of limitations on the prosecution of child pornography crimes.

It has been an honor to serve you and with your support, I'll keep fighting to make the kind of changes California needs to get our state back on track.

Please visit www.rogerniello.com

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
PLACER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
TRUSTEE AREA 1**

GORDON JAMES HINKLE

Occupation: Roseville Planning Commissioner, Deputy Press Secretary, CA Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Education and Qualifications: As your Trustee, I will work to ensure parents are heard; our schools are well funded and maintain a high level of academic excellence. I have worked closely with numerous organizations to better the quality of life for children in our County and state. As a former Legislative Aide and Communications Director, I have worked hand-in-hand, with the National Association to Protect Children to close a loophole in California State Law, via the Circle of Trust Bill, which increased penalties for those who would commit child rape or incest. In similar capacity, I have worked with the Placer County Child Abuse Prevention Council, the California Protective Parents Association, Justice for Children and many more dedicated to protecting kids. I am a long-time resident of Placer County and father of two, and married to a former teacher and current full-time mom. I currently serve on the Roseville Planning Commission, was appointed by the President to serve on the Placer County Selective Service Board and work as Deputy Press Secretary for Corrections. I am endorsed by State Senator Sam Aanestad, Placer County Supervisor Kirk Uhler, Sierra College Trustee Scott Leslie, Roseville City Council Candidate/Planning Commissioner Sam Cannon and countless teachers and parents.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
PLACER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
TRUSTEE AREA 1**

TAMI BRODNIK

Age: 49

Occupation: Community Volunteer

Education and Qualifications: I have been working or volunteering in education for over 30 years; spanning pre-school to high school. Since moving to Roseville in 1991, I have been very active in the community, serving on multiple boards and commissions.

And, at the same time, I took an active role in my three sons' education--eventually becoming a trustee with the Roseville Joint Union High School District.

Our children must have the educational foundation to succeed in our ever-changing world. As a board member, my focus is to ensure educational opportunities for all children and to expand existing partnerships and collaborations with businesses and community-based organizations.

I believe that all of my experience and knowledge of Trustee Area 1 and Placer County will enable me to be an effective and informed board member.

I am honored to have the endorsement and support of Dr. Kenneth Sahl., the retiring Trustee of Area 1.

I respectfully ask for your vote. Please call me at 773-2281 with suggestions or questions.

s/Tami Brodnik

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
PLACER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
TRUSTEE AREA 3**

WARREN L. JORGENSEN

Age: 50

Occupation: Health and Disability Analyst/Credentialed Teacher

Education and Qualifications: As parents, we raise our children to make good choices. As voters, I respectfully ask you to choose a new representative for the Placer County Board of Education. I will be accessible to the public and visit the schools directly under the Placer County Office's jurisdiction. I am a candidate for the Placer County Board of Education because it gives me the opportunity to improve special education and Regional Occupational Program (R.O.P.) services. I believe that parents and children should have choices and opportunities when deciding the best educational curriculum.

I have a Bachelor of Arts in Government and a Teaching Credential from CSU Sacramento. My wife and I have three children and have lived in Rocklin for twenty-one years. Our oldest child attends public school in our county.

I have worked with youth as a member of the First United Methodist Church of Loomis and a little league baseball coach. I have served on the Rocklin General Plan, Front Street Historical, and Downtown Advisory Committees. I serve on the Redevelopment Committee and am a member of the Historical Society and Friends of the Library.

Please visit www.warrenforschools.net or call (916) 624-0355. I would be honored to receive your vote and serve as your representative.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
PLACER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
TRUSTEE AREA 3**

SCOTT GNILE

Occupation: Incumbent

Education and Qualifications: I believe that my role is to represent you to the County Office of Education administration. During my term as your representative, your concerns as a parent and or taxpayer have been my concerns. My record demonstrates my continual support for multiple educational options and opportunities for all Placer County students. It is my opinion that parental choice provides the best means of measuring the relative value of educational options. Options such as home schooling, charter schools, private academies, independent study, and our Regional Occupational Program provide valuable alternatives to the basic classroom educational model. I believe the County Office of Education should be a facilitator of educational excellence and innovation.

My other focus has been fiscal responsibility and I have been a consistent voice on the board for strong fiscal accountability and the designating of funds to cover previously unfunded long-term liabilities. Placer County has some of the best educational options in the state and has been fiscally responsible with your tax money. I want to remain your representative to ensure that it continues to be an example of public education done right.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
PLACER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
TRUSTEE AREA 4**

PAM ROBIE HART

Occupation: Business Analyst

Education and Qualifications: As a Business Analyst with a MBA, parent and active community member, I am committed to improving public education. After 20 years of attending school board meetings at the local and county level, I believe I understand the County role and will work to implement policies that benefit all residents of Area 4 and Placer County as a whole. I will bring a broad perspective and objectivity to this position.

I believe the needs of all children should be above all other agendas. To this end I would like to see funding allocated to the County Office of Education spent on enhancement of educational programs instead of padding a reserve account. Monies available for educating today's youth should be spent today. These are challenging times in which children should have many opportunities for instruction in technology that will prepare them for 21st century career opportunities. These new areas of education will be integrated into the core knowledge and values upon which our country is based.

As a School Board Member, I will look beyond the traditional framework and work proactively towards making positive and innovative changes for our students. I ask for your support.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
PLACER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
TRUSTEE AREA 4**

DR. DON BROPHY

Occupation: Educator

Education and Qualifications: As a 12 year member of the Placer County Board of Education, twice as president, I seek re-election to the Placer County Board of Education to continue my 46 year pursuit of enhanced responsibility and accountability in the education of Placer County's youth.

I served 34 years as a teacher/professor and administrator in special education, counseling, psychology, curriculum development, research and evaluation. Thirty years were in California community colleges, 24 of them at Sierra College. I retired Executive Dean Emeritus to do consulting in educational research, planning, development, and evaluation.

My education includes a bachelor and master's degree from CSU, Chico, a doctorate from the University of San Francisco, and post-doctoral work through the University of California, Santa Cruz.

My wife, Pat, and I have three adult children who attended local elementary, secondary and community college. A 39 year resident of Auburn, my activities include the Auburn Chamber, Auburn Faith Hospital Foundation and advisory committees, California School Boards Association, and Auburn Rotary.

Proven experience, community involvement, and educational background qualify me to represent you in the continuance of responsibility and accountability and improved progress of Placer County education.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
PLACER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
TRUSTEE AREA 5**

RYAN MURPHY

Occupation: Area Manager

Education and Qualifications: As a parent, and active community member I am committed to high quality public education. I am running for the Area 5 seat on the Placer County School Board to ensure quality education. The School Board is responsible for supporting local community school districts. After attending schools in Area 5 from K-12 and graduating from U.C. Davis I have a strong understanding of our community school needs. I will have a non-bureaucratic, common sense look at the issues facing our schools.

Our children are the most important factor in schools, we should put all other agendas aside. We should allocate all funding to the classrooms to enhance today's education. In challenging times we need to support today's youth with the funds that they were given and not used to finance a reserve slush fund. I firmly stand on local community control of our schools while providing a school structure that is financially sound for all communities.

As we face growing communities, a strong and secure structure will lead to smaller class sizes and stronger educations.

As a School Board Member I will make positive and innovative changes for our students with a common sense perspective. I ask for your support.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
PLACER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
TRUSTEE AREA 5**

LYNN M. OLIVER

Occupation: Appointed Incumbent/Real Estate Broker

Education and Qualifications: I am committed to ensuring a quality education for every child in Placer County. I will continue to actively support Placer County Office of Education's efforts to provide services for every district, sound fiscal governance, staff development, innovative programs, and strong vigorous leadership. Because our schools are faced with challenges that include declining enrollment and decreasing revenues, it is imperative that we elect trustees who are knowledgeable and experienced.

I have served on the Placer County Board of Education and the Alta Dutch Flat School Board for seventeen years. I received the Outstanding Trustee Award from the Placer County School Boards Association in 2003. I have been a member of the Colfax High School Site Council since 1999, the WASC leadership committee from 2005-6, the Measure W Oversight Committee from 1999-2005, and am currently on the Placer Union High School District Budget Advisory committee.

I graduated from Vassar College and received a MA in education from New York University. I have lived in Placer County for 28 years and all three of my children have attended and graduated from the local public schools.

I ask for your vote in November. If you have questions please call me at 530 389-8168.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SIERRA JOINT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
TRUSTEE AREA 4**

ELAINE ROWEN, Ph.D, J.D.

Occupation: Retired Superintendent of Schools

Education and Qualifications: Nothing is more crucial to maintaining healthy and economically vibrant communities than a strong commitment to higher education. I promise to bring non-partisan dedication to the board to strengthen community trust in our mission, and augment the bridge with K-12 schools.

I am a lifelong educator, having served as a school board trustee, and as superintendent of schools. For many years, I was a teacher, counselor, and school psychologist. After retiring, I earned a law degree, which I've used in volunteer and professional capacities.

I serve on the First Five Placer Families and Children Commission and am a volunteer for the Senior Legal Hotline in Sacramento. I was recognized as Mediator of the Year in Riverside County for my work in dispute resolution.

I am honored to be endorsed by many highly respected community leaders. Educational leaders include: Sierra College Trustees Barbara Vineyard and Bill Martin, former Trustee Dave Creek, Placer County Board of Education members E. Ken Tokutomi, and Bob Tomasini, Auburn Union Elementary District Trustee (Chair) Shana McDonald, Rocklin USD Trustees Todd Lowell and Camille Maben, and Roseville JUHSD Trustee Jack Duran.

Please contact me at 916-435-0508 or erow2000@yahoo.com. I respectfully ask for your vote. Thank you.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SIERRA JOINT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
TRUSTEE AREA 4**

DENNIS MICHAEL COTA

Age: 50

Occupation: Small businessman – Educator

Education and Qualifications: I am running for the Sierra College Board because I believe that my service as a Board President of a community college foundation, UC Davis Law School Adjunct Instructor, and small business owner would bring valuable new perspectives to the Board. None of the current Board members is an educator, and Sierra College would really benefit from having at least one educator on its Board.

The Board must prioritize the use of its existing resources to improve the quality of instruction in academic disciplines that prepare our students to attend four year universities and for careers that pay enough to allow them to support a family in our community. We should also expand academic programs that allow high school students to take advanced courses at Sierra College.

Sierra College must make college more convenient for all the district's residents by expanding online and televised courses, establishing a new campus to serve Antelope and West Roseville area residents, and completing the expansion of the Nevada County and Truckee campuses. We must accomplish this while maintaining a balanced budget every year.

I would appreciate your vote so that we can work toward these important goals. You can learn more at DennisCota.com.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SIERRA JOINT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
TRUSTEE AREA 7**

JOHN VODONICK

Occupation: Businessman, Attorney, Student

Education and Qualifications: Sierra College Trustees should focus on education—not politics.

It's never happened before, but now the College is on the academic accreditation warning list. Sierra College is at a crisis in its mission.

A balanced budget doesn't tell the real story. Reserves have fallen to the lowest in 13 years. Sierra College is 70th out of 72 districts in capital investment per student. Full-time faculty is lower than 62 other districts statewide. This can change. There must be a viable strategic plan as well as realistic business and financial plans. Absent this our college cannot move forward and fulfill its potential.

Good education is our future. I hold a BA in Business Administration, graduated from Pepperdine University School of Law, have completed my coursework for a Masters Degree in Ethics and am enrolled in a PhD program. I'm a product of the community college system. I know how important that system is for both young and old.

Give education back to our future. I respectfully ask for your vote.

Education: Yes

Politics: No

Please visit: Vodonick.com

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SIERRA JOINT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
TRUSTEE AREA 7**

AARON KLEIN

Occupation: Sierra College Trustee

Education and Qualifications: Four years ago, Sierra College had suffered three straight years of budget deficits totaling \$850,000, forcing the college to cut courses and slash library hours, student tutoring and labs.

Together, we brought change to Sierra College. Balanced the budget four years in a row. Built surpluses totaling \$2 million dollars. Increased access to college education. And funded the creation and expansion of innovative job training programs in technology, engineering, solar and clean energy, and fire protection.

There are times when we could have been more patient in the process of bringing about change, but make no mistake – change was desperately needed at Sierra College, and change is exactly what we've accomplished. Sierra College is much better off today than it was four years ago.

In a new term, I'll work to keep increasing access to college. Expand our investment in online education. Fight to make student services more convenient for working people. And give every high school student the chance to take their first steps into college before they graduate.

With the belief that we can continue to make a difference, I ask for your vote. You can learn more, and join our cause for change, at AaronKlein.com.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CENTER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

NANCY ANDERSON

Age: 51

Occupation: Retired Medical Assistant

Education and Qualifications: Education is the mainstay for our children's future. For this reason I have served the students and community of CUSD for 13 years as your school board trustee. I believe that as a community, one of our greatest responsibilities is to provide the best possible education for our children.

During this time I helped plan the construction of two schools, was a driving force in the creation of two charter schools and actively supported numerous educational programs for our children.

Within ten years we will face tremendous growth. The development to the north of us will triple the district's population. We can't wait until developers start building their homes to begin planning our new schools. We'll need a balanced budget and someone with construction funding experience. I'm that person.

One of my goals is to restore the excellent programs that we were forced to eliminated due to the lack of state funding. I hated to see them go. Another goal is to continue providing a safe learning environment for our children.

I have worked to maintain and improve the education of all students in the CUSD community. Help me to continue my efforts. I'd appreciate your vote.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CENTER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

MATTHEW L. FRIEDMAN

Age: 50

Occupation: President, Center Unified School District Board of Trustees

Education and Qualifications: BA: Macalester College; Master's Regional Planning: University of North Carolina; M.A. and Rabbinical Ordination: Hebrew Union College; Certified Executive Coach: Professional School of Psychology

South Placer County and Roseville are moving in a positive direction. The Center Unified School District will be a part of our region's continued rise to prominence.

For the past three years as a member, and now President, of the Center Unified School District Board of Trustees I have been part of a team with many accomplishments. Test scores have improved, we have kept classroom sizes small and we have provided high quality education.

Despite funding cuts, we have maintained a balanced budget, enhanced educational resources, and modernized our facilities. This year I initiated the launch of the Center Endowment for Educational Excellence to provide for the ongoing enrichment of our students.

I am optimistic about the future. Our community will continue to grow and we will construct new schools and expand programs to serve students in the South Placer area. I am committed to assuring all students will be prepared for entry into the work force, meet their future educational goals and contribute to our society. I seek your vote to continue our progress.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROCKLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

CAMILLE MABEN

Age: 54

Occupation: Director, CA Dept. of Child Development

Education and Qualifications: Because I believe I still have an important voice to contribute and a desire to give back to a community that has given so much to me and my family, I'm seeking a 5th and final term.

My husband, Mark, and I have lived in Rocklin for over 30 years. Our children attended Rocklin schools and received a superior education. I'm proud to say, our granddaughter will soon be entering Rocklin schools.

I've dedicated my professional life to education. I worked in early childhood education before serving as a senior policy advisor at both the California Department of Education and in the Governor's office. As a result, I have gained valuable insights about how state and federal policies affect Rocklin's schools.

During my tenure on the Board, Rocklin has consistently ranked as one of the top academic performers in the state. We maintain an environment that is safe and clean - all in a fiscally responsible manner.

So I ask for your vote because I'm proud of my association with Rocklin schools and its outstanding staff. I'd appreciate the opportunity to continue serving you and to help ensure every child is afforded the opportunity to receive a world-class education.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROCKLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

MICHAEL AGOSTINI

Occupation: Music School Principal

Education and Qualifications: As the principal of a local music academy in Rocklin and a former English teacher, I have had the opportunity to teach in both public and private schools in the U.S. and Japan. I have also been a researcher who evaluated public schools in California. I believe that my years in the classroom combined with my experience managing school operations would provide a valuable perspective for serving on Rocklin's school board.

I graduated from Yale University and earned a Master's Degree in Education from Harvard University. I have served on the board of directors of two non-profit organizations and one for-profit corporation. I would bring to Rocklin's school board skills in long-term and strategic planning, accounting and fiscal management, as well as in-depth expertise in curriculum and instruction.

As a parent, I would like to ensure that my son and the other children of Rocklin are well prepared to achieve their educational and career goals. I believe in a well-rounded education that emphasizes not only the core subjects but also includes music and the arts. I believe that a high quality education that serves the needs of all students can be achieved in a fiscally responsible way.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROCKLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

GREG DALEY

Occupation: Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: I have been honored to serve the Rocklin community for the last four years as a Rocklin Unified School District trustee. I am proud that every school in Rocklin has exceeded the state academic performance index of 800, an accomplishment no other Placer County district has reached. Rocklin High School was identified by US News and World Report as a Silver School, which ranks us in the top 500 in the nation. As a result of implementing a long-term strategic plan, we have been able to add new programs, technology, and increased library time, which has resulted in the enhancement of student learning for all children.

Quality, efficiency, and community are the cornerstones of our strong school district. In partnership with parents and teachers, I have worked hard to provide a quality education to all our children. Our efforts to operate in the most efficient manner possible and utilize community resources to their fullest have been overwhelmingly successful. Finally, our community is not just a tremendous resource for our schools, but is also the essence of who we are. I respectfully ask for your vote and, if re-elected, pledge to continue this collaborative effort with families and the community.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TAHOE TRUCKEE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
TRUSTEE AREA 2**

KIRSTEN LIVAK

Age: 40

Occupation: Clinical Social Worker

Education and Qualifications: Every parent wants an exceptional education for their child. As a mother of two young children, I know that we are faced with the challenge of not only meeting but exceeding these expectations with an eye to fiscal conservatism. The best investment we can make is in our teachers, by retaining our existing professionals and by attracting qualified staff to replace those who are departing. As a local resident since 1992, I have seen many changes in Truckee. The economy today demands a qualified workforce, and our school district must deliver. I hold a Masters degree in Social Work from UNR, and I specialize in providing mental health services to children and adolescents. This makes me uniquely qualified to serve our students. In addition, I am fluent in Spanish and have expertise in special education, prevention, intervention and treatment for youth.

Professionally, I am currently employed by United Advocates for Children and Families as a Lead Evaluator for the Placer County Campaign for Community Wellness. I value and respect the power of research, data, and outcome measurement as the foundation for an accountability framework. Please vote for Kirsten Livak for the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District Board Area 2.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TAHOE TRUCKEE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
TRUSTEE AREA 2**

MONTY S. FOLSOM

Age: 63

Occupation: Incumbent

Education and Qualifications: I have lived in Truckee since 1991 and love this community. All three of my sons are graduates of the Tahoe-Truckee educational system, and my wife is an elementary school teacher in this district.

I have over 20 years experience in managing the financial affairs of California educational entities. In the past four years as a Tahoe-Truckee school board trustee, I have demonstrated that I am willing to work hard to make our District the best that it can possibly be. If re-elected, I promise that I will continue to dedicate my time and efforts toward this valuable pursuit. I believe that by continuing to strive to improve our schools, we provide a positive environment where our children can acquire skills to become productive members of society.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TAHOE TRUCKEE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
TRUSTEE AREA 4, 2-YEAR TERM**

LISA MOHUN

Occupation: Registered Nurse

Education and Qualifications: My name is Lisa Mohun, and I am announcing my candidacy for a position on the TTUSD school board. For twenty years I made a career of emergency department nursing at Tahoe Forest Hospital. During four of those years I was President of the Employee Association of Professionals. I have volunteered in the classroom, served on the PTO and Site Council; I am now ready to take my experience to a new level. I am married, with two children in the Tahoe Truckee school system. I am passionate about their education. I love this community and am committed to bringing about the best education for all of the children of the Tahoe-Truckee area.

Learning does not end when the school bell rings. It takes a web of partnerships among students, parents, teachers, administrators and the school board. It is where cooperation and communication take center stage. As your school board representative, I will promote this kind of collaborative partnerships we need to insure success in our school. It's time for change.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TAHOE TRUCKEE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
TRUSTEE AREA 4, 2-YEAR TERM**

NANCY GSKO

Occupation: Appointed Incumbent

Education and Qualifications: Prior to my appointment to the TTUSD Board, I served as a trustee on the Belmont Redwood Shores School District for eight years, hold an MBA, and have spent many years in human resources and as a community volunteer. My husband and I have three daughters in college.

During my tenure on the board, I have come to recognize the many opportunities and challenges unique to our community as well as those shared with other school districts. Our community demands a rigorous and comprehensive curriculum, which includes the arts and technology, and nurtures the physical and emotional well-being of our children.

Education is dynamic, and must adapt to the needs of today and tomorrow. In our current economic climate, the cost of education is growing faster than our revenues. Our challenge is to balance the community values and educational goals for our students, the needs of our employees and the requirements of state and federal regulations, all while maintaining fiscal responsibility. Our opportunity is to work together to create an exciting and vibrant learning environment for our children.

I ask for your vote to allow me to continue serving our district and strive for excellence in education.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
PLACER UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
TRUSTEE AREA 5**

MICHAEL STAFFORD

Age: 51

Occupation: Businessman/Past School Board President

Education and Qualifications: I'm Mike Stafford. Christine and I have lived and run our businesses here since 1985, our four children have each attended district schools; our youngest is at Del Oro.

I have served as Trustee and Past President of LUSD. LUSD has progressed to one of California's highest achieving districts. We made long term decisions to maintain fiscal solvency through prudent cost cutting and savings that have carried the District through tough economic times. At the same time we completed the construction and modernization of our facilities rivalling any comparable district.

As your Placer County Planning commissioner, I have participated in countywide and local long range and short term planning decisions.

My priorities: Fiscal responsibility- Good decisions today that will keep PUHSD financially sound tomorrow. Accountability- These are our schools! I will listen and respond to your concerns and will expect the same responsiveness from our member schools. I am committed to making our schools reflect the values of our communities and fulfill or exceed our expectations of excellence. Academic excellence- Enrichment opportunities for students - Professional development of our teachers - Low student/teacher ratios - Every kid counts!- Let's give each one the tools to succeed!

Vote Mike Stafford!

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROSEVILLE JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
2-YEAR TERM**

SCOTT E. HUBER

Age: 39

Occupation: Appointed Incumbent

Education and Qualifications: During the last four years as a School Board Member, I always put student success first. The District has opened a new school in Antelope, provided rigorous new classes and curriculum, and increased test scores while maintaining balanced budgets every year.

In addition serving as a School Board Member of Roseville Joint Union High School District, I have also served as a Boy Scout troop leader, organized after school activities for youth and have taught as an adjunct faculty member at University of the Pacific. I graduated from Brigham Young University and McGeorge School of Law.

The quality of education our children receive greatly affects our community's future. They deserve an excellent education in reading, writing, math and science, as well as robust music, theater, art, athletic and vocational programs to be well rounded, balanced individuals. We must prepare students for college and vocational careers.

I am endorsed by many community leaders, educators and parents including Placer County Supervisor Rocky Rockholm, RCSD School Board Member Susan Goto, Eureka School Board Member Debbie Holt, Placer County Superintendent of Schools Gayle Garbolino-Mojica, and Roseville City Councilmember Carol Garcia. Call me at 916-223-3434 or visit my website: www.ScottHuber.com.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROSEVILLE JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
2-YEAR TERM**

ANTHONY K. KONG

Age: 49

Occupation: Physician

Education and Qualifications: B.S. Chemistry, UC Berkeley; M.D. University of Southern California; Former Vice-Chair and Chairman, Dept of Anesthesia, Sutter Roseville Medical Center (SRMC); Director of Anesthesia, Roseville Surgical Alliance; Board of Directors, CASE Anesthesia; Member, Medical Executive Committee, Peer Review, Quality Management & Bylaws, SRMC; research papers presented: annual meetings, American Heart Association and American Society of Anesthesiology.

Along with my professional and research background, I feel that my participation in the various boards and committees has afforded me the experience in problem solving, meeting budgetary constraints and working to build a consensus toward a common goal.

I have lived in this community for fifteen years with my wife and two sons. I immigrated to this country when I was ten. My parents had instilled in me the importance of hard work and education. I believe all students should be given the opportunity to realize their fullest potential, be it academic or vocational. Mentorships can be strengthened between local business leaders, professionals, postgraduate alumni and current students. Students, parents, teachers, and administrators must work together to raise our standards of excellence to ensure future successes for all.

I request your vote.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROSEVILLE JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

PAIGE K. STAUSS

Age: 52

Occupation:

Education and Qualifications: Currently serving as President of the Board

I first ran four years ago with the goal of refocusing the board, the staff and the community on what is most important: keeping the education of our students as our number one priority. That goal needs to be continued with vigor.

During the last four years, we have controlled all components of our budget in order to maximize the money available to do the job of educating our students.

To recognize that our students require 21st century skills, I have pushed for a modern approach to teaching technology and its valuable use in the classroom.

I have worked extensively on the on-time and on-budget opening of our new high school resulting in valuable experience as we begin to plan our sixth campus.

To increase opportunities for our students, I supported bringing the highly regarded International Baccalaureate Program into our district.

It is important that the district aggressively continue improvement in the areas of science, math, language and the arts through curriculum growth, teacher and staff training. I am eager to continue that vision.

I hope that you will consider me when you vote.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROSEVILLE JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

GARRY GENZLINGER

Age: 64

Occupation: Incumbent

Education and Qualifications: After thirty-six years as a teacher/counselor in the Roseville Joint Union High School District, I retired in 2004. I provided college counseling which included evening programs such as financial aid, scholarships, etc. to students and parents.

I am presently a board member of the Roseville Joint Union High School District. Previously, I served as a board member of the Eureka School District for thirteen years. I was also a board member of the South Placer Fire District for nine years, a member of the Granite Bay Municipal Advisory Council (MAC) for nine years, and a volunteer firefighter for fourteen years.

As an incumbent, my desire is to continue providing a service to the youth of the District. My many years of experience in education have been a valuable asset to our students and to the community. There is still more that can be done to meet the needs of all students so they can develop to their fullest potential and that will continue to be my focus. I will continue to bring a common-sense approach to decisions that are made by the board.

I ask for your vote!

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROSEVILLE JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

R. JAN PINNEY

Occupation: Incumbent/Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: Education: A degree in Business Management and three professional designations, including Chartered Financial Consultant, have enabled me to positively contribute solutions to budgetary challenges and help keep the District's financial house in order.

Experience: Service on the District Finance Committee, Vision Committee, Technology Action Team and three terms as Board President. Twice honored as Placer County School Board Association Outstanding Trustee. Founding Board Member of the Eureka Schools Foundation.

Business: Owning a small business that employs 35 people allows me to bring a business perspective to educational challenges and opportunities. As Past State President of a national financial services association and a former member of the Sacramento County Red Tape Task Force, I know how to positively deal with competing interests for the betterment of all.

Focus: Improved educational opportunities for all students. More rigorous classes, including advanced placement and International Baccalaureate offerings, to better prepare our children for life beyond high school. Expand existing partnerships with businesses beyond our health and technology academies and our engineering, architecture, construction, business and journalism ventures with the Sacramento Bee, Intel, HP, NEC, Sutter Hospital and other local businesses.

I would appreciate your vote. Please call me at 773-2800 with suggestions or questions.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
DRY CREEK JOINT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

BARRY D. STILLMAN

Age: 56

Occupation: Incumbent, High School Teacher

Education and Qualifications: Our school district has come a long way since I was first elected to the board in 1994. Back then we had three schools and about 2,000 students. Now we have ten schools and over 7,000 students. Eight of our ten schools are California Distinguished Schools (the other two haven't been open long enough to qualify!). When the Academic Performance Index was first developed by the state, our scores were about average. Now our district average is over 800. Despite declining enrollment and perhaps the worst financial crisis in California history, we have a balanced 08-09 budget.

If the voters support me for another term, there are still some benchmarks I hope to achieve. I want our Comparable Schools Rank to be eight or higher at every school. I'd like to see all parents involved with their kids' education. I'd also like to improve communication with all stakeholders in the community.

I can't promise that you will always agree with me. I can promise to work hard representing all of my constituents, and never compromise my integrity. If you'd like to learn more, please visit my website at www.votestillman.com

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
DRY CREEK JOINT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

BOB KUNNMANN

Age: 53

Occupation: Sales Management Leader

Education and Qualifications: As parents in the DCJESD my wife Jeanie and I know our children receive an excellent education. However there are concerns. Drastic budget cuts require improving efficiency and controlling costs while still maintaining academic excellence. The District must change to meet these challenges.

The District, teachers, and community each have a stake in this and must meet these challenges together using a fresh approach. We must create an environment within the District that promotes common sense, communication, and teamwork.

During a successful management career I've formulated and managed multi-million dollar budgets and created policy and procedures to support them. I believe in involving all concerned parties in the process - people with different perspectives - bringing them together to focus on a common goal and develop action plans to get there. More than once I have used this method to bring the DC community together to change proposed Board actions we disagreed with.

I want to represent the community to ensure common sense, teamwork, and fiscal responsibility factor heavily into any decisions relating to the District's business - delivering a quality education to our children.

I ask you for your vote.

My candidacy is endorsed by the Dry Creek Teachers Association.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
DRY CREEK JOINT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

SCOTT B. OTSUKA

Age: 41

Occupation: Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: As a parent, youth soccer coach and Parks and Recreation Commissioner, I am dedicated making sure our children receive the best education possible. As a business owner and/or manager for two decades, I will bring a common-sense approach to budgeting, while at the same time focusing on the importance of providing our kids with a 21st century education that will prepare them for college or the workforce.

With another tough state budget year ahead, our district needs to be smart with money, making sure that funds are spent the right way, on students, not wasted on layers of bureaucracy and administrative salaries. I am not afraid to pull out my pencil to make sure that every dime possible stays in the classroom with our children. My additional experience on school site councils, district-level committees, the Rotary Club board has infinitely prepared me for a seat on the school board. I look forward to working with parents to promote the value of a good education for the children of Dry Creek School District. I am proud to have the endorsements of Roseville Mayor Pro Tem Gina Garbolino and Roseville City Council member Carol Garcia.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
AUBURN UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**

STEVEN D. WEAVER

Age: 43

Occupation: Local Business Owner serving community for disability access

Education and Qualifications: Making decisions that affect our children when budgets are thin is tough. I am grateful for the efforts of our past school board members. I believe I will make a significant difference for Auburn's children by offering creative solutions to these decisions. Our children deserve the best education and that is my top priority. Along with an extensive professional background, I am college educated and have over 20 years experience in multiple disciplines, including firefighting and middle management in high-tech, to creating and owning a small business that serves our community. Known for my integrity, compassion, and work ethic, I believe I am uniquely qualified to serve on the Board. Active in local and state government, I received a leadership award from Auburn Union School District for my work in education. An Eagle Scout, I continue to live by the high morals, ethics, and the experiences my school gave me, including a music program, computer technology, and a staffed library-activities and resources I want for Auburn's children, too. Please vote for me, Steven Weaver, to help guide the direction of Auburn Union School District. It's all about our kids and our community's future.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
AUBURN UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**

KEN NITTLER

Age: 50

Education and Qualifications: My name is Ken Nittler. I'm running for the Auburn Union School District Board of Trustees, serving Auburn Elementary, E.V. Cain, Rock Creek and Skyridge schools. My two children were district students and benefited from outstanding learning environments. I'm a U.C. Davis graduate and long-time local business owner. If elected, I will use my professional background in business and technology, combined with my volunteer leadership to provide the best possible education for Auburn's public school students.

Besides extensive experience on professional boards, I've served as president of the Auburn Education Foundation for two years, where I've worked to benefit all district students by raising much-needed funds to support classroom teachers and vital programs, including libraries and middle school counseling. I'm also AUSD's Budget Advisory Committee chair and have served on this important committee for more than five years. These experiences give me a full understanding of both the challenges and opportunities facing our schools.

To manage any school district in the current economic environment is tough. Still, I am prepared to help make decisions that benefit our students, and to ensure the Auburn Union School District continues to provide a quality education.

Please vote Nittler for School Board.

www.VoteNittler.com.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
EUREKA UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

ERIC JOHN SANCHEZ

Age: 46

Occupation: Sales

Education and Qualifications: I was taught a simple principle growing up, and that is: all are equal. Nobody knows better than parents what their kids need, and nobody works harder than teachers to prepare our students to meet the challenges of today. That being said, things need to be improved. We can't improve our schools, however, if parents and teachers don't have a seat at the table where the decisions are being made. As your school board member I will build a team to make partnership, not politics, a priority. I will bring people together, not pull them apart - teachers, students, parents. We need a board which respects the teachers and the parents, and works with them, in partnership, to make decisions about our schools. As PTC President at Greenhills for two years, our school community raised almost \$200K for programs such as After School Academic Program and the first fresh lunch program in the District. The main thing I know is that our District has incredibly talented and dedicated people. I understand how to make our precious education dollars benefit all of our students. We have done some good work in the EUSD in the past, but we can do better in the future.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
EUREKA UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

RYAN JONES

Age: 31

Occupation: USAF Reserves / Attorney

Education and Qualifications: As the father of three children, I share every parent's wish to have our children receive the best education possible. In collaboration with parents, teachers, and administrators, I am committed to achieving this goal.

I learned the values of integrity and service in my family and at school. These values were reinforced as an active duty Air Force officer. My continued service as a reservist allows me to use the leadership and judgment skills I have acquired. In addition to my occupation in Roseville and my military obligations, I serve as a Boy Scout leader in Granite Bay. I graduated from UCLA with a degree in Economics and earned a law degree from Penn State.

As we confront declining enrollment and challenges in state funding, I believe my proven values and judgment would make me an effective leader and good team player in determining the best resolution for our children's educational future.

I am endorsed by many community leaders, including current Eureka School Board Members Debbie Holt and Dan Clift, former Eureka School Board Member John Tanner, and Roseville Joint Union High School Board Member Scott Huber. Feel free to call me at (916) 517-8721 or visit my website: www.RyanRJones.com.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
EUREKA UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

ROBERT BRUCE HOSLETT

Age: 41

Occupation: Public Transportation Senior Safety Specialist

Education and Qualifications: Our schools build our future. As your elected school board member, I will work in partnership with parents, teachers, and administrators to ensure that our schools have the tools they need to help each child succeed. This means providing classrooms with the changing resources needed for continued teaching success. It means supporting the kind of programs which center on children being prepared for a successful and rewarding education. It means building an environment where our experienced teachers are supported to do what they do best. As a school board member, I will promote the kind of partnerships between teachers, parents, and the community which will continue to shape the success we expect and need in our schools.

My children currently attend Eureka schools. I grew up in a family of teachers. I am married to a teacher. I am actively connected to the community through sports, nonprofit organizations, and our schools. I look forward to serving the community through the Board.

If ensuring that teachers have partners in building a successful education for our children is important to you, please mark the box by my name.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
EUREKA UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

KRISTIE GREISS

Occupation: Diagnostic Medical Sonographer

Education and Qualifications: For over 15 years I've worked in the medical field closely with the emergency and operating rooms. I've participated in several administrative committees within that professional community.

Raised in Folsom and subsequently residing in Roseville and Granite Bay for over 16 years, my connection with the community is strong.

During the past 10 years I've volunteered my time spending summers teaching English to disadvantaged children in developing countries. More recently, I've worked locally as a member of school and district committees and coaching local athletics. I've been a member of Site Council for three years, as Chairperson for two of them, served as the VP of the PTC at the elementary school my four children attend and have been involved with ESF fundraising events and campaigns for years. As a parent, I've volunteered 15-25 hours a week in classrooms and on campus.

Due to recent district changes, I believe our Board needs a dedicated individual able to bring fresh experience and ideas to our fiscal, administrative and academic issues which our district will continue to manage for our community.

Endorsements: Russ Nash, Board Member EUSD, Debbie Holt, Board Member EUSD, Steve Schorer, ESF Past President, and Mette Nagel, Teacher Oakhills School

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
EUREKA UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

ERIC J. TEED-BOSE

Age: 43

Occupation: Businessman

Education and Qualifications: Eureka Union School District is facing several key challenges including declining enrollment, declining State funding, and the need to consistently improve our academic and social excellence. These challenges require effective leadership, character, courage, wisdom and tough decision making.

Eureka needs leaders that can face today's challenges, anticipate future needs, avoid unseen crisis; and who are accountable and responsible to the constituents served.

I believe in leadership that serves the needs of all, and that children's needs come first. I believe in fully-accountable, transparent government. I believe in dynamic education programs which serve all children, and that allow children to develop both basic skills and extraordinary abilities. I have 20+ years of working with School Districts' growth management and capital project issues.

I have 20+ years of development/city planning success in managing complex local, regional, State and Federal governmental issues. I am a fiscal conservative who believes in spending taxpayer money wisely and effectively. I've managed capital and operational budgets of over \$250 million. I am a consensus-building problem-solver, and I get the job done – period.

My wife Shelli and I have two children being served in the District and we are committed to our community.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
PLACER HILLS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
2-YEAR TERM**

CYNTHIA GUNDERSON

Age: 54

Occupation: Education Consultant, California Department of Education

Education and Qualifications: Education and this community's children have been my personal and professional focus for the last 15 years. I have been a teacher at Weimar Hills School, a sports coach, and volunteer in a variety of community organizations. From this local involvement, I am well versed in the strengths, and difficulties, facing Placer Hills Union School District, its children, and the families the district supports.

Currently, as a consultant for the California Department of Education, I am expanding my expertise and experience on educational issues facing the state. I am also immersed in many key discussions and policies that influence local districts and schools.

As a member of the Placer Hills Union School Board, I would bring a wealth of perspectives to share, including my background as a teacher, my role as a parent of two children raised in the district, as well as my background in educational issues.

Your vote for me represents a vote for an educator who has a rich history in the local community, ready to share new ideas as we prepare our students to meet future challenges.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
PLACER HILLS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
2-YEAR TERM**

WILLIAM (BILL) TATNALL

Occupation: Business Owner/Manager

Education and Qualifications: I have lived in the Placer Hills School District for more than 20 years and my three children have received an exceptional education. I have experienced first-hand the high degree of dedication, expertise and experience of the teachers and administrators throughout the District.

I want to ensure the students continue to achieve excellent academic results and enjoy their education during the challenging times ahead of declining enrollment and ever-tightening budgets. I believe I can make a significant contribution to the continued success of the District by combining my formal education in accounting, years of experience in small business management, finance, operations, systems, and real-world experience.

The most valuable perspective that I will bring to the Board is my tremendous desire to assure that my two youngest children, who are students in the District, continue to receive the best education possible provided by the most qualified, committed and motivated staff. To achieve this we need to concentrate on the needs and success of the students in an environment that rewards hard work, promotes responsibility, values integrity, and recognizes individual achievement.

Elect Bill to continue the extraordinary success of our distinguished Placer Hills schools.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROSEVILLE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

GARY MILLER

Occupation: Teacher

Education and Qualifications: You deserve school board members, who have experience and who know what they're doing. You deserve to know your tax monies are being used in the most effective manner. We all want Roseville's children to receive the best education, so we can feel comfortable leaving our future in their hands.

My experience includes serving almost 20 years on a neighboring school district board. I know what it is like to make dollars stretch. My motto has always been more money for the classroom and less for administration. Your vote for my candidacy will be a vote for conservative fiscal policies.

During those almost 20 years serving on another school district board, there was never any labor strife. Employees and management were always able to work together for the common good of educating children.

I am proud of my support from elected officials, community leaders, teachers and other school staff. I would be proud to have your support as well. If you have any questions about my campaign, call me at 263-9686. Keep the phone number. If elected, I want you to be able to contact me then as well.

Visit my web site at www.miller4schoolboard.com or email me at miller.schoolboard@yahoo.com.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROSEVILLE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

STANFORD G. HIRATA

Age: 39

Occupation: Appointed Incumbent - Roseville City School District Board/Small Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: B.A. and M.B.A. - Business Finance and Management, CSU Sacramento

It's been an honor to serve on our school board and I hope to continue my work in bringing a high-quality, safe and well-rounded education to our children.

As an active parent with two sons in the district, I started my involvement with Blue Oaks Elementary as Chairman of the Site Council. Soon after, I became active with the Roseville City School District Foundation where I now serve as President.

My passion for education extends into the classroom as a teacher. For the past ten years, I've been an adjunct professor of business at Sierra College. I'm also a member of the California Teachers Association and California School Board Association.

In addition to my involvement with education, I remain active in the community. For the last four years, I've coached my son's baseball teams at Woodcreek Little League. I also serve as Chair for the City of Roseville Grants Advisory Commission.

I'm proud to be endorsed by such leaders as Roseville Mayor Jim Gray, Placer County Supervisor Rocky Rockholm and Placer County Superintendent of Schools Gayle Garbolino-Mojica. If you would like to contact me, please call me at (916) 751-6958 or email Stanford4rcsd@surewest.net.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROSEVILLE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

SUSAN T. GOTO

Occupation: Incumbent, Retired Educator

Education and Qualifications: I ask for your consideration in the upcoming election to continue my service to the Roseville City School District. It has been an honor to serve for the past 12 years.

My professional and personal experiences and commitment will continue to contribute to the strengthening of our public school system.

My educational experiences and community involvement include 22 years as an educator in the Roseville City School District, eight years on the Roseville Parks & Recreation Commission, two years as City Transportation Commissioner, eight years on the City Personnel Board, two years on the District Cemetery Board, currently serving on the city Grants Advisory Commission, and the City Centennial Committee.

In addition, I serve on the California School Board Association as Delegate Assembly, member of the California Retired Teachers Association and Sacramento State Alumni Association.

My priorities include being a team player by making decisions to maintain a safe environment and quality education. I will continue working towards keeping our academic achievements and physical education, nutrition, arts and music at the level of excellence.

I am always accessible. Please call (916) 783-4053 with any questions or concerns.

I ask for your vote on November 4th. Thank you.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROSEVILLE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
2-YEAR TERM**

BRETT W. MCFADDEN

Age: 40

Occupation: Appointed Incumbent/Education Consultant

Education and Qualifications: In March of this year, I was unanimously appointed by the Roseville City Schools board of trustees to fill the seat vacated by the late Helen Duran. Helen was a dedicated public servant and I am humbled to follow in her footsteps.

I pledge to represent Roseville's students and families with distinction, honor, and integrity. For more than 12 years, I have worked as an education consultant specializing in finance, leadership, and academic accountability. I have two sons in the school district, and my wife and I have been parent volunteers for numerous district events and activities. Public education and the well being of all students is our passion.

I am honored to serve the students, families, and taxpayers of the Roseville City School District as one of your school board members. Since appointed, I have worked hard to make sure our school district remains fiscally sound and continues to provide high quality instruction to all of our students.

If elected, my focus will be to ensure that the success of our students and families remain our top priority. I am dedicated to keeping Roseville schools the best in California.

I humbly request your support for my candidacy this election.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROSEVILLE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
2-YEAR TERM**

SCOTT LEAVITT

Age: 53

Occupation: Court Security Officer

Education and Qualifications: My name is Scott Leavitt and I am running for Roseville City School District Board. I served as a Roseville Police officer for over 20 years, 15 of those years as a School Resource Officer in elementary, middle and high schools. I implemented the Cops Care Kids Camp Program and the Every 15 Minute Program, as well as many other youth related activities.

Through our schools, we build the future. But our schools have to have the right tools to do their jobs. As your school board member I will promote policies, which remove obstacles to student achievement. I will work in partnership with parents and teachers, and give the schools the tools they need to give the students the skills they need. This means having safe, healthy classrooms with the technology needed for modern teaching. It means having students who know there will be zero tolerance for unacceptable behavior, and it means supporting the kind of prevention programs, which help kids, stay on the right track.

Roseville issues need a Roseville candidate and my roots in this community run deep. My name is Scott Leavitt; please help me to continue to serve this community by giving me your vote.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
PLACER COUNTY SUPERVISOR
DISTRICT 5**

JENNIFER MONTGOMERY

Age: 47

Occupation: Small Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: In the June election, I made listening to communities my top priority. I also said that I will be a supervisor who will preserve our valuable natural assets and protect small property owners' rights.

You responded and made me the top vote getter. Thank you.

Former candidate Bob Houston ran a principled campaign, also focusing on community input, protecting our rural way of life, and adhering to sound fiscal policy. I am honored to have earned Bob's endorsement for Supervisor.

I'll use my experience as a small business owner, along with my private-sector work with Bank America, Sugar Bowl, the Sierra Business Council and others to trim waste and balance the budget in these challenging times.

As a former volunteer firefighter and the wife of a professional firefighter, if elected Supervisor, I will work with all stakeholders to aggressively manage our private and public lands for reduced fire danger.

I will work with existing communities to move forward appropriate land use planning decisions.

Visit MontgomeryforSupervisor.org to learn more about our campaign. I respectfully ask for your vote on November 4th.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
PLACER COUNTY SUPERVISOR
DISTRICT 5**

BRUCE L. KRANZ

Age: 59

Occupation: Supervisor, 5th District

Education and Qualifications: Four years ago, I promised to make serving Placer County my full-time job.

I kept that promise while fighting to protect our quality of life, our homes and our tax dollars.

To fight catastrophic wildfires, I strengthened fire safe councils, secured a helicopter for firefighting and started a program to use flammable debris from forest floors to generate clean energy. I fought government waste, worked to strengthen the local economy and balanced every budget without raising taxes. I opposed excessive development and high density projects that would increase traffic. To avoid higher taxes and utility costs, I fought to use electricity revenues from existing power plants on the Middle Fork Project to fund required future improvements in water and energy.

I worked to bring a new university to Placer County and ensure high schools provide the quality education our children deserve. I fought to preserve open space in Martis Valley and throughout the district.

A former peace officer, I used my law enforcement experience to strengthen county programs to fight meth and drug abuse.

My efforts earned endorsements from the CDF Firefighters PAC, Placer County Deputy Sheriffs Association, Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association and Sheriff Ed Bonner

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
AUBURN CITY COUNCIL**

LISA WORTHINGTON

Age: 42

Occupation: Auburn Planning Commissioner

Education and Qualifications: Auburn is an amazing community in which to live and raise your family. As a wife and a mother with four children in our public schools, my main concern is that our community remain economically vibrant, while we maintain the unique small-town quality of life that separates Auburn from other foothill cities in Western Placer County.

As an Auburn Planning Commissioner, I've never been afraid to fight to protect our quality of life and will continue to do so as a member of the City Council. I've often been the lone voice in opposition of development that I felt would negatively impact our community through increased traffic congestion and loss of valuable open spaces.

We are facing challenging economic times, but with practical forward-looking solutions, I believe Auburn will emerge stronger than ever. I support the Buy Auburn First initiative. But we must be frugal with taxpayer money. If elected, I will support upgrading Auburn's existing sewer facility to meet new state requirements, rather than forcing taxpayers to pay hundreds of dollars more a year to connect to a regional sewer plant that Auburn doesn't need.

I respectfully ask for your vote on November 4th.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
AUBURN CITY COUNCIL**

WILLIAM "BILL" KIRBY, M.D.

Age: 60

Occupation: Physician/Community Leader

Education and Qualifications: I am a fiscal conservative who has been involved in budget decisions involving millions of dollars. I can make the tough financial decisions to stay out of debt. Auburn needs strong leaders that can ensure public safety and maintain public works projects, improving them as finances allow. I will work to bring well-paying jobs to our community by encouraging incentives for businesses to utilize the vacant buildings at the airport. I will also focus on attracting professionals and small businesses to fill in other empty office spaces in our city. I will work cooperatively with the City Council and City Manager to deal with the difficult decisions facing Auburn, while supporting the small town feel and historic atmosphere vital to our identity.

Education: B.A., M.S., M.D., Stanford University, Surgery, UC Davis, Urology.

Professional: Chief of Staff, Sutter Auburn Faith Hospital, Chief of Surgery, Roseville Community Hospital.

Community Service: Member, Auburn Chamber of Commerce, Auburn Little League, President 1995-1998, performed Placer High physicals Pro Bono, team Physician 28 years, Sutter Auburn Faith Hospital Foundation Board 10 years, Auburn Rotary, Director ARD, Chair 2004.

Vote for Bill Kirby for Auburn City Council.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
AUBURN CITY COUNCIL**

KEITH A. NESBITT

Age: 52

Occupation: Mayor/Businessman

Education and Qualifications: I am honored to have served on the council for the past 4 years. During my term, the council has balanced 4 budgets. The state budget crisis and stagnated economy has not made this an easy task. We successfully negotiated with labor unions to reach agreements that provide competitive compensation without creating unfunded liabilities. We expanded the redevelopment agency, and limited that agency's power to take private property. In my last campaign, I vowed to create a more walkable community. We secured grants for sidewalks to 2 area schools, created a Pedestrian Master Plan committee, and started work on the streetscape project. We had an aggressive plan to repave many Auburn streets.

We completed most of the work on the Park Preserve, and helped the Auburn Placer Performing Arts Center make progress with their building and marquee. I have been an integral part of a team that has moved the city forward. I have always gone to council meetings prepared to have the public change my mind on crucial issues. I have never forgotten whom I work for. I have enjoyed working for the residents of Auburn, and would be honored to continue as your councilman.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
COLFAX CITY COUNCIL**

STEVE HARVEY

Age: 53

Occupation: Retired

Education and Qualifications: Born 3/31/1955. Moved to Colfax March of 2001. I have two sons 28 and 30 years old. I am a retired Marine Engineer. Graduated from California Maritime Academy in 1976. BS in Marine Engineering. Unlimited horse power USCG licenses for both steam and diesel propulsion plants. Went to sea for approx. 12 years. These ships were like small cities. I then worked for Sea land Container as a Port Engineer for 18 years. In charge of marine inventory for the last 9 years. At one time marine inventory supplied 35 ships world wide with all spare parts. By the time I retired the name of the company had changed to Horizon Lines. Was in charge of 30 million dollars of inventory world wide. I had to budget for my department, negotiate union contracts. In charge of all repairs to parts. I have run Cub Scout troop, assistant coach for soccer and little league, Skipper of a Sea Scout boat for 5 years in Richmond, Ca. I acquired a Masters license to run the Sea Scout boat in bay area, to help keep teenagers out of growing gang problems. I believe above experience qualifies me for City Council position.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
COLFAX CITY COUNCIL**

KENNETH A. DELFINO

Age: 63

Occupation: Retired

Education and Qualifications: Colfax has an opportunity to become a golden nugget on the west slope on Interstate 80. I will look for ways to *reduce hurdles that will make Colfax more attractive for businesses and investors.*

I am past president of the Junior Falcons Football and Cheer program. Where we once had only a few freshmen with any football *experience at Colfax high, we now have a feeder system that teaches basic skills and instills confidence in these young athletes. We've been successful and we're still growing!*

Through the Kiwanis Club of Greater Colfax, I have been involved in *recognition programs in local schools. I am a 21-year Kiwanian and have chaired numerous district and three international committees. Community service is in my blood.*

With Colfax Pride, Inc., I have been privileged to work with *hard-working community volunteers to keep the Independence Day and Christmas Winter Festival alive.*

I retired from United Airlines in 2002 after a 32-year career in reservation sales.

I am a Navy veteran with three tours in South Vietnam on river patrol boats. I am medically retired.

I am ready to serve Colfax and I humbly ask for your vote on November 4th.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
LINCOLN CITY COUNCIL**

SPENCER DWIGHT SHORT

Age: 33

Occupation: Incumbent

Education and Qualifications: Bachelors in Government, CSU Sacramento; Masters in Public Administration, Golden Gate University; Juris Doctor McGeorge School of Law

As a third generation resident and businessman in the City of Lincoln, I understand the needs and issues of many segments of our growing community.

Over the last twelve years, it has been my pleasure to help lead the City in positions ranging from City Treasurer to City Council Member and Mayor. Our City has grown, but at the same time we have remained true to traditional community values.

Over the last eight years, I have helped bring about changes such as: (1) Creating a full time fire department, (2) Making Lincoln the safest community in the County, and (3) Using redevelopment incentives to encourage local businesses to invest money in downtown.

Over the next four years, Lincoln will need to engage in further negotiation with the County over service issues and act upon development and redevelopment opportunities which are critical to the continued viability of Lincoln. I wish to continue my service to ensure Lincoln retains that hometown feeling while achieving increased economic prosperity for our community.

For any questions or concerns, please call 916-295-8203. Your consideration is appreciated.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
LINCOLN CITY COUNCIL**

PAUL JOINER

Age: 52

Occupation: Small Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: Lincoln is my hometown. I've lived here the majority of my 52 years. I care deeply about Lincoln's history, it's present and most importantly it's future.

Many challenges face us in the years ahead. The economic downturn has caused us to lose seven positions in our Police Department. Public safety, police and fire protection is a cornerstone of city government. We must continue to support our fire fighters and police in their efforts to be the finest in our region.

With the arrival of the long awaited Highway 65 bypass comes the challenge of preserving, enhancing and growing our historic downtown. This area is the tie that binds our many neighborhoods together. It is the very heart of our city. We must not allow the bypass to be the death of this charming and vital piece of our community.

I was proud to serve the community as a Planning Commissioner making fair, carefully analyzed, common sense decisions for Lincoln's future.

I would be proud to serve you as the newest member of the Lincoln City Council... I'm asking for your vote.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
LINCOLN CITY COUNCIL**

TOM COSGROVE

Age: 59

Occupation: Incumbent

Education and Qualifications: As a 21 year resident, I first served Lincoln as a Volunteer Firefighter and then for the past fourteen years as a Councilmember. I hold a Bachelor's degree in Government from California State University, Sacramento and an Associate of Science degree in Management from Sierra College.

When first elected, I followed through on my commitments to rebuild the financial strength of our community, invest in our downtown core and strengthen public safety. This was accomplished through conservative fiscal policies and good planning. I also fulfilled my promise to secure funding for the Lincoln bypass. Construction of this project has now started.

Over the past several years, new residents have moved to Lincoln and with them came retail and commercial businesses that have contributed to the city's financial success. Today however, we face a challenging economy. We have trimmed our budget and maintained our reserves but, over the next four years, the city will need to tighten its belt even more. This will be difficult, but I have shown that I can make those tough decisions.

I remain committed to keeping our city financially strong and our community safe, and I appreciate your support. My home phone number is 645-8948.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
LINCOLN CITY COUNCIL**

ALLEN S. CUENCA

Age: 41

Occupation: Planning Commissioner

Education and Qualifications: Masters of Business Administration in Technology Management from University of Phoenix, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from California State University, Hayward.

I have served on the Lincoln Planning Commission since 2003 including a term as Chairman in 2006. This experience has broadened my understanding of the issues and provided me with core knowledge to enable me to be an effective leader on the City Council.

I will work to create synergy with our neighboring cities, Placer County, and State agencies to bring about positive change for all citizens of Lincoln. I will work with developers to balance economic growth with quality of life to ensure Lincoln maintains its small town charm.

I will encourage and collaborate with non-profit groups to enhance youth recreation programs and facilities within Lincoln. As a parent, I understand the need for increased recreational outlets.

I am prepared to help lead Lincoln through its many challenges over the next several years including implementation of the newly adopted 2050 General Plan, revitalization of the historic downtown, and sustaining environmental quality.

Please call me at 434-9139 with your questions or concerns.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
LINCOLN CITY COUNCIL**

STAN NADER

Age: 59

Occupation: Compost Consultant

Education and Qualifications: Bachelor of Science degree in Crop Science from Cal Poly at San Luis Obispo, CA

As the city looks forward to the challenging economic times ahead, I feel we need more people on the council who are fiscally conservative. My life's work as a farmer has demanded me to approach my business with that philosophy. The success in my occupation was due in part to my ability to manage people and garner the best even in times of limited resources.

My desire to serve on the council comes from the roots my family has in the community which goes back four generations. My grandfather and father both served on the local school boards. My past service on the local school board and city council has given me a wealth of knowledge and the confidence to again contribute a leadership role in our community.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
LOOMIS TOWN COUNCIL**

THOMAS W. MILLWARD

Occupation: Incumbent

Education and Qualifications: Education: B.S. Degree CSUS
Qualifications: I lived in Loomis for over 8 years. My children Dan and Tammy Bews with their 4 sons and Cory and Teri Shell with their 4 daughters live in the Loomis area. Fourth year on the Loomis Town Council, one year as Mayor, Director for the Placer County Air Pollution Control District, Director for Placer County Community Services Commission, Treasure for Friends of Loomis Fire District, Retired CHP Officer, and USAF Veteran.

I worked to make Loomis a better and safer community to live and raise your families; instrumental in keeping Loomis Fire District in operation, introduced the sex offender ordinance (protecting our children) and the second story ordinance (providing privacy in our back yards). Helped get the depot restoration started, assisted in the funding of Del Oro HS stadium. Member of community orientated organizations, Lions, American Legion, Masonic Lodge and Elks.

I am pro law enforcement, fire, small businesses and smart growth.

I am for open space, parks, better roads, schools and property rights.

Re-elect me and with your input, we can continue to make this community a quality place to live and raise your families. Let me continue to be your voice in town government.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
LOOMIS TOWN COUNCIL**

RHONDA NELTHORPE MORILLAS

Age: 57

Occupation: Business Owner/Incumbent

Education and Qualifications: Living and working in downtown makes me easily accessible to the public. I'm the 4th generation to work in my family's business. I attended local schools: Loomis Grammar School, Del Oro High and Sierra College. I have served as Mayor 4 times.

I have voted for a balanced budget, supported economic growth in the business district. I've strived for a sound economic base that is capable of supporting needed community services: schools, parks, roadways, health and safety.

I have always been and am currently active in community service as a charter member of Soroptimist, past Matron of Eastern Star, as well as serving on County commissions such as: Community Services, Air Pollution, Economic Development and currently as a member of the Flood and Water Conservation Board.

My experience, common sense approach, and dedication to the community merits your consideration and vote. I will work for continued quality growth through good planning and efficient Town government.

Thank you.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
LOOMIS TOWN COUNCIL**

GARY LISS

Occupation: Small Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: I currently chair the Loomis Park and Open Space Commission, served on the Town Open Space Committee and edited the Committee's Report on Open Space. I have 35 years of business and local government experience and degrees in Public Administration and Environmental Engineering.

I support slow, controlled growth that protects property values, our rural environment and open spaces. I will work for more parks and trails in Loomis. I support quality schools and public safety, and a vibrant downtown with more shops, restaurants, and public events. I am a strong proponent of fiscal responsibility.

Loomis is at a crossroads. Developments now advancing in and around Loomis will change our small town forever. At Sierra College Boulevard and I-80, Wal-Mart, Home Depot, Kohl's, Target, and major shopping centers will create more traffic than roads can handle and threaten Loomis businesses, Loomis jobs, our historic downtown, and public safety services. Major proposed housing projects will also overwhelm our schools.

I will stand up to big outside developers who create problems for our community. I value your trust and will act on your concerns.

I appreciate your vote.

Questions? gary@garyliss.com; 916-652-7850;
www.garyliss.com/loomis/.

I'm listening.

(Endorsed by Councilmembers Walt Scherer and Miguel Ucovich.)

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROCKLIN CITY COUNCIL**

ED ROWEN

Age: 45

Occupation: Small Businessman

Education and Qualifications: My name is Ed Rowen and I am a candidate for Rocklin City Council. I have served my country in the U.S. Military and my community by joining the Rocklin Chamber of Commerce, as well as other service-based organizations.

I am also a homeowner; a small businessman, a taxpayer, and a family man which makes me typical of most citizens that reside in Rocklin. I feel that when I make decisions on the City Council it will be based on what's good for the average families of Rocklin.

I want to blend the new growth of Rocklin with the uniqueness of its history. Rocklin is a great place to live and raise a family, but we can make it a better place by building a new library and completing our historical downtown.

I admit I don't have all the answers, but I am willing to learn and to bring a new perspective to local government. My philosophy of serving on the Rocklin City Council is based on reaching out to everyone and working with both the residents and local businesses to make Rocklin a great place.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROCKLIN CITY COUNCIL**

GEORGE A. MAGNUSON

Age: 57

Occupation: Incumbent & State Employee

Education and Qualifications: I would like to say thank you for allowing me to represent you on the City Council for the last 17 years. There have been many issues that have been brought before the council in that period of time; some routine and some controversial. Trying to balance the needs of the community is not always easy. Individual rights, property rights, budget restraints, along with State and Federal laws that restrict what we can do, must all be considered when making decisions. When you look around, you have to decide if Rocklin is a good place to live. We consistently have one of the lowest crime rates in the entire region. We were recently chosen by Family Circle magazine as one of the top 10 places in the nation to raise a family. This selection was based upon a combination of quality of life, parks, schools, and environmental criteria. I am pleased to have contributed to our success and I will continue do my part. My family and I have lived in Rocklin for over 30 years and I am proud to call Rocklin my home. I would appreciate your vote allowing me to represent you on the City Council.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROCKLIN CITY COUNCIL**

TIFFANY L. WADELL

Occupation: Business Owner/Parent

Education and Qualifications: I have lived in the City of Rocklin for three years. My husband and I are firmly committed to the City as we love the family oriented atmosphere and community programs. We enjoy the friendly citizens and appreciate the landscaping that is kept up so diligently throughout.

I have a Bachelor's Degree in Marketing and own two successful businesses (one being Leonidas chocolates) and am now venturing into a third business. I am active in my church.

The City needs someone on the Council who appreciates how much has already been done to put the City in a best place to live category as found in Family Circle magazine. However, with hard economic times, we need Rocklin to still provide a safe haven for businesses and families. We need to keep commercial vacancy rates low and taxes stable, and continue to provide a beautiful city for all who live or visit here. No more development, but redevelopment. Fresh ideas are also needed to keep our city young and vibrant, and I can bring that.

If I am elected as Councilmember, I will strive to make sure Rocklin stays business and family friendly and get stalled issues resolved.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROCKLIN CITY COUNCIL**

BRETT STOREY

Age: 48

Occupation: Incumbent/Senior Management Analyst Placer County Emergency Services

Education and Qualifications: I am honored to have represented Rocklin as a Councilmember for 7 years, twice as Mayor. I've worked to make wise decisions relying on my education, business background and analytical skills.

While a Councilmember, the City has grown at a balanced pace, attracted quality businesses, established new parks, preserved open space, and prioritized police and fire service to keep Rocklin the safest city in the region.

Rocklin is one of the "10 Best Towns for Families" according to Family Circle magazine. This didn't happen by chance but by good planning and careful decision making, including a commitment to green strategies-solar panels for the Police Station, 63% increase in tree canopy, and significant improvements in water conservation and recycling.

With a future challenging economy, I'll work to implement short-term and long-term cost-saving strategies that preserve our General Fund, keep the business community healthy, and support schools for quality and a variety of education. I'll continue to listen to your ideas that support a balanced quality of life.

I'm honored to receive endorsements from all 5 Placer County Supervisors and Mayors of our neighboring cities, and I'd be grateful to receive your continued support.

Please contact Brett@storeyforrocklin.com

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROCKLIN CITY COUNCIL**

PETER HILL

Occupation: Vice-Mayor, City of Rocklin

Education and Qualifications: As a member of the City Council, I have worked hard to make Rocklin a safe, high quality, family oriented community. If re-elected, I will work to protect and improve our community and our quality of life.

My priorities will be to support expansion of our Police and Fire departments so that families are safe and we have rapid emergency response; to increase the number of parks and open space areas, to continue to work with the School District to make sure we have outstanding schools, to support reasonable and well-planned development projects that enhance our community, to support improvements to I-80 and Highway 65, to make sure development pays for its impacts and to spend tax payers money wisely.

I will oppose any expansion of city boundaries. I think Rocklin is big enough and we should focus our efforts on the area within our current boundaries.

As a 31-year resident, current Vice-Mayor and member of the City Council, a former Placer County Planning Commissioner, a former Rocklin School Board Member, and a retired planner with a Masters Degree in New Communities, I have the education, the experience and the commitment needed to be an effective councilmember.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROCKLIN CITY COUNCIL**

DAVID NELSON

Occupation: Small Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: I am running for city council because it is time for someone with new ideas and fresh vision to be elected.

As a small business owner in Rocklin, my company was named Best New Business 2006 by the Rocklin Chamber of Commerce. I have served as a pastor for Adventure Christian Church, a member of the Rocklin Chamber Government Affairs Committee, and a member of the Sierra College Board of Trustees. I also served as Entertainment Chair for Rocklin's Hot Chili, Cool Cars 2007.

If elected, I will commit to improving services and traffic flow while balancing the budget. Developing downtown Rocklin into a robust commercial center would be a top priority. Seeking partnerships to preserve as much of Clover Valley as possible is critical. We also must expand code enforcement to ensure foreclosed homes do not become eyesores with weeds that reduce property values. Lastly, the City of Rocklin could partner with Sierra College and Placer County to build a joint library so that we could afford more books and extend library hours for much less than any agency could afford separately.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROCKLIN CITY COUNCIL**

ANGELA TORRENS

Age: 52

Occupation: Regional Transportation Specialist

Education and Qualifications: Elected as Rocklin City Councilwoman, I will contribute 22 years professional work experience in transportation oversight, real estate development and land use planning. Originally from Southern California, I am very aware why Rocklin needs to ensure it does not become a messy sprawl of suburban traffic congestion. My community service includes: Chair of Sacramento County Planning and Development Council, SACOG Roundtable for Regional Transportation, President of Neighborhood Association, after-school tutoring volunteer at Breen Elementary, member Save Clover Valley Coalition. Professionally, I work for the State of California.

As councilwoman I will bring a new vision to City Hall: smart, sustainable growth established with community support. I will offer sound city governance: less dependence on residential tax revenue. I will work to establish an improved Rocklin: transit-oriented development emphasizing the city's unique historical value. Promising a strong commitment to Rocklin's future, I support sensible commercial and residential growth. I desire to see Rocklin's high retail vacancy rate corrected as soon as possible. Today's economic climate threatens all citizens. Rocklin needs a secure budget reserve and proactive plan to bring new businesses to its vacant downtown core.

I look forward to serving Rocklin citizens.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROSEVILLE CITY COUNCIL**

JOHN ALLARD

Age: 51

Occupation: Roseville City Councilmember/Small Businessowner

Education and Qualifications: For five years I have been honored to serve you on the City Council.

During that time, every budget was balanced and the city built a \$10 million reserve - without raising taxes.

To ease traffic congestion, I fought to secure funding for improvements on I-80 and Highway 65. Under my leadership, the city required developers to take action to alleviate traffic congestion on our streets.

To strengthen the local economy and reduce commutes, I worked to bring additional good paying jobs to our city.

My efforts to reduce crime included expanding police patrols and neighborhood policing programs. Through the Drug Abuse Resistance Education and school officer programs, we fought drugs and violence in schools.

To further improve local educational opportunities, we supported efforts to bring four new schools on line. To improve health care, I supported expanding Kaiser Permanente and Sutter Roseville Medical Centers. To enhance our high quality of life, the city opened new parks, built a new library, protected open spaces from development and is renovating downtown.

My efforts earned me support from Sheriff Ed Bonner, Mayor Jim Gray, Vice-Mayor Gina Garbolino, Supervisor Rocky Rockholm and the Roseville Police Association.

I hope to earn your support, too.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROSEVILLE CITY COUNCIL**

RENE AGUILERA

Age: 47

Occupation: School Board Trustee

Education and Qualifications: Born and raised here, I attended Cirby, Eich and Roseville High and I am a graduate of UC Davis and Leadership Roseville sponsored by the Roseville Chamber of Commerce.

My priorities include developing creative and workable plans for youth, families and seniors around entertainment, culture, public art, railroad heritage projects, parks, athletic fields, balancing a city budget, and developing and updating our general plan 2020 that enhances our quality of life, business interests and green guidelines.

I will be your advocate in the areas of affordable housing, economic development, education, jobs, healthcare, public safety and transportation.

I serve as a Board Member of the Roseville City School District, Roseville Coalition of Neighborhood Associations, Sierra College Youth Conference, Crimestoppers and Lion's Club.

I have volunteered throughout the community at Apostolos Fund, ARC, One Root, performing arts, Relay for Life, Roseville schools and at Abundant Life, Bayside, LDS, St. Rose and St. Clare Church family events.

My City Council appointments include serving on the Downtown Vernon Street & Historic Old Town Specific Plan Steering Committee and Centennial Celebration Committee.

I received 11,000 votes in 2006 and am asking for your vote. Need a ride - call 532-5998.

Vote for Rene on Election Day!

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROSEVILLE CITY COUNCIL**

CAROL CHILTON GARCIA

Age: 50

Occupation: Appointed Incumbent/Community Bank Senior Vice President

Education and Qualifications: As a 5th generation Roseville resident it has been a privilege to serve you on the Roseville City Council.

I have lived, worked and raised my family in Roseville and would like to continue my service to the community where I grew up. I have served as President of the Roseville Chamber of Commerce, Child Abuse Prevention Council of Placer County and the Rotary Club of Roseville. In addition, I have served on the City of Roseville Benefit Trust Fund and Public Utility Commissions.

My priorities continue to be safe neighborhoods for children and seniors, a stable and growing economy, neighborhood parks and open space with reliable services and quality planning for our City's future.

Despite current economic issues, our city budget is balanced and our revenue is still strong. We have improved the efficiency of government and local law enforcement.

I am very proud to have the endorsements of the Roseville Police Officers Association and the Roseville Firefighters Association.

As a member of the City Council, wife, mother and local business woman, I ask for your vote on November 4th. Please feel free to contact me with questions or concerns at (916) 752-6185 or www.friendsofcarolgarcia.com.

Thank you,

Carol Chilton Garcia

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROSEVILLE CITY COUNCIL**

SAM CANNON

Age: 40

Occupation: Legislative Director/Roseville Planning Commissioner

Education and Qualifications: Roseville Mayor Jim Gray says: "Sam Cannon is a trusted leader who will make Roseville better, safer and cleaner for families and Seniors."

I want our neighborhoods to be the best places to raise a family or retire in an active community - that's why I've spent nearly a decade working to make Roseville better.

As a Planning Commissioner, I've fought for smart growth, worked to restore historic Roseville and helped create jobs. As a Roseville Public Utilities commissioner, I pushed to create local energy independence and keep our local air and water clean with innovative technology - including recycling water for golf courses and public parks.

My wife Michelle and I moved here because of the good schools, parks and quality neighborhoods. This is where I am raising my daughters - Madeline and Cameron - so you know I'm committed to ensure Roseville is a vibrant, safe and prosperous city.

I'll make public safety a priority, ensure growth is sensible and fits the community, continue to push water quality and conservation and create good paying jobs and quality places for shopping and recreation.

If you agree, I would appreciate your support - and your vote on November 4. To learn more, please visit: www.FriendsofSamCannon.com

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROSEVILLE CITY COUNCIL**

PAULINE ROCCUCCI

Age: 60

Occupation: Registered Nurse

Education and Qualifications: As a lifelong resident of Roseville, I am very proud of our community. However, I am concerned that city officials may not be listening carefully enough to citizens' concerns on issues like water, traffic, and development.

I offer the experienced leadership needed to strengthen our city's economy, lead Roseville through the next several years of difficult economic times and ensure that your voice is heard at City Hall.

Experience: Former Roseville Mayor, Councilwoman and Planning Commissioner, Placer County Water Agency Director. Registered Nurse since 1968. **Financial leadership:** Balanced nine straight City budgets; opposed higher taxes; brought Nordstrom's to the Galleria Mall. **Community leadership:** Brought new parks and recreational amenities for our youth and seniors. Authored our City's tough anti-graffiti ordinance.

As your Councilwoman, I will provide active, independent representation that benefits all of our neighborhoods. My priorities include: **Safety:** Provide the best police, fire protection and emergency health services for our residents and businesses. Endorsed by Sheriff Ed Bonner.

Quality of life: Improve City planning standards to reduce traffic congestion and preserve open space. **Accountability:** Hold regular community meetings to address your concerns.

I would be honored to serve as your Councilwoman.

Visit www.roccucci.com or call me personally at 782-2708.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
ROSEVILLE CITY COUNCIL**

GEORGE MUNTEAN

Age: 58

Occupation: Self employer

Education and Qualifications: At age 23 I came to America from Romania with no English, no money, no family with desire to have a better life and to be free. I ask God in my prayer when arrived in America, to give me a good health and keep me as a good moral man, good husband, good father and a good citizen.

Years to come I got more than I asked. Now I have a very good wife, 4 beautiful children, 8 grandchildren, a nice home and my own business. A dream of many immigrants which can still happen in America today.

I finish in Romania - high school, trade as pattern maker, college degree in accounting and music.

When I came to America in Chicago I start working as a janitor, building engineer and cabinetmaker. In 1977 manage my own apartments, 1979 moved to Florida manage my hotel, 1989 moved to California manage apartments cabinet shop and finally restaurant. In America I learn how to earn money, to save money, to spend money and sad to say not being careful I learn that I can loose money too. I have experienced all. Learning is good, but is better to give.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TRUCKEE TAHOE AIRPORT DISTRICT**

TOM VAN BERKEM Age: 61

Occupation: Retired Business Executive

Education and Qualifications: As Chairman of the Airport Advisory Board (ACAT), since it was formed 3+ years ago, I am fully aware of the issues facing the airport and thus have the experience to address them. I have led numerous airport neighborhood sessions, pilot meetings and community/airport user focus groups. Listening to your concerns and suggestions ACAT has offered numerous recommendations to the Airport Board seeking to serve the interests of local pilots and to find methods to minimize adverse impacts on the community. We have been able to reduce annoyance on 60% of airport operations.

As a Placer County homeowner for 34 years my commitment is to our region. My experience and career in management, planning, negotiations and conflict resolution will support both civic and airport constituencies as we navigate delicate issues. I am also a Director of the Truckee Donner Land Trust working to protect open space.

I am committed to our community and listening to you. I will continue to find ways to provide for needed airport services and manage growth, while protecting the ambience of the region we love.

**DECLARACIÓN DEL CANDIDATO PARA
EL DISTRITO DEL AEROPUERTO DE TRUCKEE TAHOE**

TOM VAN BERKEM Edad: 61

Ocupación: Ejecutivo Comercial Jubilado

Mi educación y calificaciones son: Como Presidente de la Junta Asesora del Aeropuerto (ACAT), desde que se formó hace más de 3 años, tengo pleno conocimiento de los problemas que enfrenta el aeropuerto y tengo, por lo tanto, la experiencia para tratarlos. He conducido numerosas sesiones vecinales sobre el aeropuerto, reuniones con pilotos y grupos de discusión de usuarios de la comunidad/el aeropuerto. Al escuchar sus inquietudes y sugerencias, ACAT ofreció numerosas recomendaciones a la Junta del Aeropuerto tratando de responder a los intereses de los pilotos locales y de encontrar métodos para minimizar los impactos adversos en la comunidad. Hemos podido reducir la molestia en el 60% de las operaciones aeroportuarias.

Como propietario de una vivienda en el Condado de Placer durante 34 años, mi compromiso es con nuestra región. Mi experiencia y carrera en administración, planificación, negociaciones y resolución de conflictos apoyarán tanto a los electores civiles como a los aeroportuarios en la conducción de los temas delicados. También soy Director del Truckee Donner Land Trust, donde trabajo para proteger los espacios abiertos.

Estoy comprometido con nuestra comunidad y escucharlo a usted. Seguiré encontrando las maneras de brindar los servicios aeroportuarios necesarios y de administrar el crecimiento, protegiendo, a la vez, la atmósfera de la región que amamos.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TRUCKEE TAHOE AIRPORT DISTRICT**

KATHLEEN EAGAN Age: 61

Occupation: Incumbent/Retired Banker

Education and Qualifications: In the last four years we have made great strides in bringing positive change to the airport. We have brought the voice of the community to airport decision-making. We have helped acquire open space in order to avoid future conflict in areas close to the airport. We are using taxpayer dollars in ways that benefit our entire region. Working together, we continue to find creative methods to reduce noise and annoyance for our neighbors while maintaining a safe and healthy airport.

We have put the airport district on the right track in serving our region. I am running again to continue this positive trend of governing our airport in an inclusive and professional manner. I would be honored to have your vote.

My history of public service includes helping Truckee incorporate and serving as Truckee's first mayor. I am Chair Emeritus of the Truckee River Watershed Council and a founding board member of the Truckee Tahoe Community Foundation.

I have strong professional skills in strategic planning, finance and management.

I will continue to provide an airport that is responsive to the interests of our entire region.

**DECLARACIÓN DE LA CANDIDATA PARA
EL DISTRITO DEL AEROPUERTO DE TRUCKEE TAHOE**

KATHLEEN EAGAN Edad: 61

Ocupación: Titular/Banquera Jubilada

Mi educación y calificaciones son: En los últimos cuatro años, hemos hecho grandes avances para aportar un cambio positivo al aeropuerto. Hemos incorporado la voz de la comunidad a la toma de decisiones sobre el aeropuerto. Hemos ayudado a adquirir espacios abiertos para evitar futuros conflictos en las áreas cercanas al aeropuerto. Estamos usando los dólares de los contribuyentes de manera de beneficiar a toda nuestra región. Trabajando juntos, continuamos encontrando métodos creativos para reducir el ruido y la molestia para nuestros vecinos, manteniendo a la vez un aeropuerto seguro y saludable.

Hemos puesto al distrito del aeropuerto en el camino correcto prestando servicios a nuestra región. Me postulo nuevamente para continuar esta tendencia positiva de gobernar nuestro aeropuerto de una manera inclusiva y profesional. Me sentiría honrada de tener su voto.

Mi historial de servicio público incluye ayudar a incorporar a Truckee y haberme desempeñado como la primera alcaldesa de Truckee. Soy Presidenta Emérita del Consejo de la Cuenca del Río Truckee y miembro fundadora de la junta de la Fundación de la Comunidad de Truckee Tahoe.

Tengo sólidas aptitudes profesionales en planificación estratégica, finanzas y administración.

Seguiré ofreciendo un aeropuerto que sea receptivo a los intereses de toda nuestra región.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TRUCKEE TAHOE AIRPORT DISTRICT**

CONSTANCE (CONNIE) STEVENS

Occupation: Business Owner, Pilot

Education and Qualifications: As an independent candidate for the Airport District I am responsible to you, the voters and to our community. Our airport is an essential community asset. I intend to protect that asset with experience, education, and professionalism. With certificates in Aircraft Accident Investigation, Emergency Medical Technician, Aircraft Cabin Fire Fighting Instructor, Special District Governance, and Private Pilot I am well qualified to represent our District on the Airport Board. I have worked in both local and federal government arenas and testified before US Congress on aviation issues and performed as an Emergency Response Coordinator for a major airport. Maintaining effective community compatibility while practicing fiscal responsibility and high safety standards are my priorities. I have served in elected and appointed positions on for-profit and not-for-profit boards and the airport special district. I understand the need for compatibility, discussion, and on occasion - objection. I have no conflicts.

I am the founder and executive director for the Wildlife Shelter that serves your community. I am protective of open space and our wild neighbors. With your support, I will work hard towards protecting the airport open space while maintaining the professional friendliness we have all come to expect of our Airport District.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TRUCKEE TAHOE AIRPORT DISTRICT**

MARY HETHERINGTON

Age: 49

Occupation: Civil/Environmental Engineer

Education and Qualifications: During my tenure on the Board, we have made significant advances toward serving the entire District. We used public funds to acquire open space. We created opportunities for communication and improved working relationships with fellow agencies. We brought a business attitude to the airport by developing plans and performing studies to efficiently plan for the future.

With my U.C. Berkeley Civil Engineering Masters Degree and 27 years of experience in public works and private development projects, I understand the various aspects of infrastructure. With my family, I'm active in schools, sports, and theatre, and was on the Boards of the Sierra Nevada Children's Museum (pre-KidZone) and AYSO.

I ask for your vote again because I believe the focus of the Airport is now inclusive of the entire District, and I want to continue looking for common ground. Our communities are like an extended family: we agree on some points and disagree on others, but at a holiday dinner, we join hands and give thanks that we get to live in this beautiful region.

It's our quality of life; it's our airport district. With your help, we can continue the progress.

**DECLARACIÓN DE LA CANDIDATA PARA
EL DISTRITO DEL AEROPUERTO DE TRUCKEE TAHOE**

MARY HETHERINGTON

Edad: 49

Ocupación: Ingeniera Civil/Medioambiental

Mi educación y calificaciones son: Durante mi mandato en la Junta, hemos logrado importantes avances en el servicio prestado a todo el Distrito. Usamos los fondos públicos para adquirir espacios abiertos. Creamos oportunidades de comunicación y mejoramos las relaciones laborales con las agencias asociadas. Aportamos una actitud comercial al aeropuerto desarrollando planes y realizando estudios para planificar el futuro con eficiencia.

Con mi título de Maestría en Ingeniería Civil de U.C. Berkeley y 27 años de experiencia en obras públicas y proyectos de urbanización privados, entiendo los diversos aspectos de la infraestructura. Con mi familia, participo en escuelas, deportes y teatro, y estuve en las Juntas del Museo de Niños de Sierra Nevada (pre-KidZone) y AYSO.

Le pido su voto nuevamente porque creo que el enfoque del Aeropuerto ahora incluye a todo el Distrito, y quiero seguir buscando intereses en común. Nuestras comunidades son como una ampliación de la familia: estamos de acuerdo en algunos puntos y discrepamos en otros, pero, en una cena festiva, nos tomamos de la mano y agradecemos poder vivir en esta hermosa región.

Es nuestra calidad de vida; es nuestro distrito del aeropuerto. Con su ayuda, podemos continuar progresando.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
NORTH TAHOE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
DIVISION 5**

RICHARD W. LOVERDE

Occupation: Architect/Contractor

Education and Qualifications: I have been an active member of the North Tahoe community for the past 38 years. As the District 5 Incumbent, I feel privileged in having served as a Director of the North Tahoe Fire Protection District for the past 14 years. I introduced the concept of consolidation of the North Tahoe and Tahoe City Fire Protection Districts, which reduced rising costs, while increasing our level of service and reducing emergency response times. I have been the strongest advocate on the Board in maintaining a lean budget. My most important motivation in being re-elected is preventing the ever-present danger of a catastrophic wildfire in our area and incorporating every resource possible, especially as it relates to defensible space. Another goal is to ensure the community will get the best value for its money as we design and budget for our new fire station. My experience as a contractor and architect is helping facilitate the huge effort required to construct this critically needed station. I will fight to see our property tax revenues lost to the Placer County Redevelopment Agency used to help fund this public safety project.

My goals and motivations are simple – I want the best for our community.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
NORTH TAHOE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
DIVISION 5**

TOM PANDOLA

Age: 53

Occupation: Retired Fire Battalion Chief

Education and Qualifications: I have lived in the North Tahoe Fire Protection District for 15 years. I know and love this area and am fully aware of the huge challenge we face as a community to protect ourselves from fire. I am retired from a 25 year career with the Los Angeles City Fire Department. I have earned a Bachelor Degree in Fire Protection Administration and Technology from California State University at Los Angeles.

I believe that it is the citizens that live and work in Tahoe that have the responsibility to safe guard this beautiful place. No one cares more about our community and Lake Tahoe than we do. Supporting the efforts of our North Tahoe Fire Protection District is a priority for me. As a board member, I will apply my experience to represent our community in order to have the most effective fire protection and prevention service possible.

I am honored to receive your vote.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SOUTH PLACER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

KATHRYN M. MATTHEWS

Age: 66

Occupation: Retired; Appointed Incumbent

Education and Qualifications: South Placer Fire District [SPFD] is our community's first responder to emergency situations. Our District continues to do a tremendous job of meeting our increasing and changing service demands. Being a Board member has reinforced my respect for those who work to take care of us when we need help.

Who am I? I retired from State service where much of my time was spent coordinating with governmental agencies, as well as working with just regular folks who had problems to resolve. I'm a people person who is comfortable in all kinds of situations. I genuinely enjoy working with others - - in brainstorming, planning, developing, and implementing - - whatever task(s) or project(s) needed to accomplish our shared goals. I believe I have brought valuable skills to the SPFD Board.

I previously served eight years on the board at San Juan Water District. As an experienced board member, I understand the boundaries between the Board that sets policy, and district management that implements these policies. I'm also sensitive to the community that oversees our District and provides it with feedback on how we're doing. With your votes, I can continue to serve as a member of the SPFD Board.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SOUTH PLACER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

JEFFREY MOSS

Age: 47

Occupation:

Education and Qualifications: I have over twenty years of service with the South Placer Fire District. I started as a volunteer firefighter and worked my way to the rank of Captain before being elected to the office of Director. In my first term as a Director, I served two years as board president. I was able to participate in policy changes that improved the level of service the fire district provides you. We have put more fire fighters on duty, added paramedic services to an additional fire station and we built a new fire station all within our projected budgets.

I believe that the knowledge I have gained from my employment in the real estate and construction industries as well as my long term involvement with the fire district have made me a good director this knowledge will be even more beneficial in our changing economy. I ask for your vote to re-elect me for another four year term so I may continue to serve our community and the South Placer Fire District. Thank you.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SOUTH PLACER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

GREGARY "GARY" P. GRENFELL

Occupation: Director, South Placer Fire Protection District

Education and Qualifications: AA Degree in Fire Science, Certificate in District Leadership from the Special District Institute, Certificate in District Management from California Special District Association. Retired after serving 30 years in the fire service, 18 of which as a fire officer responsible for budgeting, planning and purchasing equipment and supplies.

Eight years ago I was elected as Director for South Placer Fire. During this time I have been involved in building two fire stations; purchasing new firefighting apparatus including two ambulances; adding paramedic services to an additional station; negotiating employee contracts; and reorganizing our district's staffing to provide the highest level of service to our community.

I strongly believe that government services work best when there is a commitment to local control including input from the Fire District's citizens. Working with the community and fire district staff I will continue utilizing my many years of leadership, training and community experience to guide the district in planning for the future, revising policies, ensuring the budget serves the community to help make the Fire District the best in every way.

I offer you my continued service, dedication, leadership, and most importantly, my commitment to represent the citizens of the South Placer Fire Protection District.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SOUTH PLACER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

DAVID W. GIBLIN

Age: 63

Occupation: Retired Asst. Fire Chief

Education and Qualifications: I have resided in the South Placer area since 1963. I became a Firefighter for the Citrus Heights Fire Department when I was 18 years old until I took a leave of absence to serve in the United States Navy. When Citrus Heights Fire Department split, I chose to stay in the South Placer Fire District. I have been with South Placer Fire District since its inception. After 33 years, I retired as the Assistant Chief in March of 1997. During my tenure, I received an Associate of Arts degree from American River College and graduated from the National Fire Academy in Baltimore, Maryland with a certificate in Fire Administration. I am certified as a Chief Fire Officer from the State Fire Marshals Office. In the last three years, I have received certificates for the completion of two special district governance academies which consists of governance foundations, setting direction and community leadership, the board's role in finance and fiscal accountability, and the board's role in human resources.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT
DIVISION 3**

W SCOTT MILLER

Age: 51

Occupation: Incumbent/Physician

Education and Qualifications: As your NID Director for last 8 years, pushed policies to help residents wanting water to get water. I am always looking to preserve and protect NID's water rights.

Dr. Miller @ corner of Wolf and 49, I care for you, and about our community. Since '94 volunteered with youth sports in area. Every Friday night volunteer team physician, Bear River football.

Success comes from being team player and listening to people's needs. LOP treatment plant \$8 million makeover eliminating sand from people's pipes. North Auburn treatment plant conversion to solar! Community Improvements Program established to organize financial aid to neighborhood water extension projects.

Board President '03: Instituted strategic planning, resulting in District priority to expand water services to new/existing customers within district. Carried policy changes through committees helping residents seeking water.

Board President '07: 1) 0% increase to ratepayers! 2) Fall grand jury = NID user friendly!

Voted no with Director Williams (Lincoln) on '08 rate increases; result single year vs. 5 year package of increases.

Agriculture needs to be recognized and protected in rate process, thus my '08 no vote on rates. Working to get lower rate schedule for food producers.

Lincoln is in the district.

**DECLARACIÓN DEL CANDIDATO PARA
LA DIVISIÓN 3 DEL
DISTRITO DE RIEGO DE NEVADA**

W SCOTT MILLER

Edad: 51

Ocupación: Titular/Médico

Mi educación y calificaciones son: Como su Director del NID durante los últimos 8 años, impulsé políticas para ayudar a los residentes que deseaban agua a obtenerla. Siempre estoy buscando preservar y proteger los derechos de agua del NID.

Dr. Miller en la esquina de Wolf y 49, me preocupo por usted y por nuestra comunidad. Desde '94, fui voluntario en deportes juveniles, en el área. Todos los viernes por la noche, médico voluntario del equipo de fútbol americano Bear River.

El éxito surge de ser compañero de equipo y de escuchar las necesidades del pueblo. Completa renovación de \$8 millones de la planta de tratamiento de LOP para eliminar la arena de las cañerías de la gente. ¡Conversión de la planta de tratamiento de North Auburn a energía solar! Programa de Mejoras para la Comunidad establecido para organizar la ayuda financiera para los proyectos de extensión de agua en los vecindarios.

Presidente del Directorio '03: Instituí la planificación estratégica, que generó la prioridad del Distrito de expandir los servicios de agua a clientes nuevos/existentes dentro del distrito. Realicé cambios de políticas a través de los comités ayudando a los residentes que procuraban agua.

Presidente del Directorio '07: 1) ¡El 0% de aumento a los contribuyentes 2) Gran Jurado de Otoño = ¡El NID se adapta a los usuarios!

Voté no con el Director Williams (Lincoln) en los aumentos de tarifas en '08; el resultado, un paquete de aumentos de un solo año contra 5 años.

La agricultura necesita ser reconocida y protegida en el proceso de tarifas, por eso mi voto no en '08 en las tarifas. Trabajo para lograr un programa de tarifas más bajas para los productores de alimentos.

Lincoln está en el distrito.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT
DIVISION 3**

MICHAEL STRAIGHT

Age: 62

Occupation: Businessman/Realtor

Education and Qualifications: It's our water first.

NID estimates that in just nineteen years our demand for water will equal the supply of this precious resource.

In addition to our own needs, there are outside pressures that could lay claim to a share of our liquid gold. Over the next few years, NID will undergo federal re-licensing procedures for major hydroelectric facilities that could cost as much as \$10 million. Changes during this process could affect who gets water and how water is delivered for the next 50 years.

Now is the time for NID to plan for the future of our water. It's imperative that we begin a process of working with consumers, the cities and counties served by NID, and the State, to develop a comprehensive and fair Master Water Plan.

I have lived and worked in Nevada County for 35 years, serving in many planning and leadership roles including past President of Nevada County Association of Realtors and past President of the South Nevada County Mutual Water Company.

I know how important water is to all of us, including our agricultural and ranching communities. It's our water first. Our interests must be protected first.

I respectfully ask for your vote.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
AUBURN AREA RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT**

WAYNE LYNDON

Age: 66

Occupation: Retired Business Owner/Fireman

Education and Qualifications: Placer County has been my home for 30 years, including north Auburn for the last 11 years. I am a retired small business owner. I previously spent 13 years with the Arcadia Fire Department. This employment background has given me valuable experience in approaching challenges with fiscally responsible solutions while working within the parameters of community government and citizens' needs.

In these difficult economic times, I will promote the use of Auburn Area Recreation and Park District's facilities without added burden to tax payers or loss of programs. I have been conscientiously attending ARD's board meetings and workshops for the last 6 months and feel that I have an understanding of the direction and goals of the current board. I would immediately be able to work productively for the benefit of the District.

Auburn's foothill location offers many recreational opportunities not available in other areas. I recognize the value of healthy activities to our physical, mental and emotional well being. I, Wayne Lyndon, pledge to work cooperatively with other board members and staff for the overall benefit of the Recreation District.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
AUBURN AREA RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT**

JERRY DEVLIN

Age: 62

Occupation: Retired

Education and Qualifications: I am a retired businessman, avid outdoorsman and dedicated fly fisherman. After 43 years of international finance, sales, marketing and customer support leadership in the world of high tech my family and I chose Auburn as our ideal community for retirement in 2006. I have always been actively involved in civic volunteer roles with organizations such as the National Heart Association, The Kenneth Young Center, which is a non-profit mental health organization, and my local Chamber of Commerce. My wife of 25 years, Adrienne, has been a substitute high school teacher and is a firm believer in shopping locally and supporting our local business people. I believe we are all blessed to live in an area of California, which provides so many outstanding opportunities for both indoor and outdoor recreation. I would like to have an opportunity to become a guardian of these great resources, ensuring that we provide a legacy for future generations to enjoy these everyday pleasures as much as we do today. I firmly believe that my combination of proven leadership skills and a genuine passion to protect our environment make me the best candidate for this position.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
FORESTHILL PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT**

ROY WEST

Age: 47

Occupation: Small Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: My wife and I are lifetime residents of Placer County and have lived in Foresthill for 6 years. My wife's family came to Foresthill in 1945.

My goal is to play a role in the future of the Foresthill Divide. I have been attending the Foresthill Forum and the Foresthill Public Utility District Board meetings since moving to Foresthill in 2002. As a result of attending these public meetings, I have gained a real appreciation of the vital role that water issues play in the future of our community.

Given California's history of growth which has not always been driven by the true needs and desires of communities, but often has been directed by profiteers who many times have no true connection with the communities that they are impacting; I believe that our natural resources, in this case water, must have a high level of responsible stewardship.

The Foresthill Public Utility District is the most important entity on the Divide and is a key factor in the inevitable growth of our community. As director, I will dedicate myself to ensuring that our district will continue to operate in a manner that responsibly manages our most precious resource.

Thank you,
Roy West

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
NORTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
SEAT 1**

FRANK F. MOONEY

Age: 61

Occupation: Certified Public Accountant

Education and Qualifications: I have lived and practiced public accounting within the district since 1972. I am married, raised two boys, and with my wife, also own a retail business in town. I have always been actively involved in civic activities.

The community owns a well managed and structured organization comprised of good hardworking employees. Because of my urging we have a separate enterprise accounting system which assures the public of verifiable and trustworthy financial statements. I work diligently at my job and make no decision without viewing it from your perspective first.

Recently we instituted a needed rate increase which is being used for the replacement and upgrade of service lines and equipment, and the building of a new water tank which will improve both our services, and fire protection.

With aging infrastructure, community growth and the explosion of Martis Valley all the district resources are being challenged, as never seen before. I feel I have the perfect credentials to help our district into the future.

Please vote in this election. Also ask people about me. I believe they will say my creativity combined with my financial perspective have previously benefited the citizens and will continue to do so into the future.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
NORTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
SEAT 1**

PHIL S. THOMPSON

Age: 60

Occupation:

Education and Qualifications: I have lived in the North Tahoe area for 56 years, and am 60 years old. I attended elementary school in Kings Beach, and graduated from Tahoe Truckee High School and the University of California in Sacramento with a degree in Psychology. Also, I served six years in the Nevada Air National Guard.

In 1976, I became a General Building Contractor and am licensed in California and Nevada. I am also a General Engineering Contractor in California and have completed numerous projects requiring water and sewer connections. My general engineering license qualifies me to construct sewer and water systems for entire communities. In addition, 30 years of experience managing my own business will guide me in making important budgetary and personnel decisions on your behalf.

Over the years I have enjoyed all of the recreational facilities the North Shore has to offer. I feel strongly that these facilities should be planned and maintained for the benefit of generations to come. As a North Tahoe Public Utilities director, it is my goal to be a voice for the people of our community. I would be honored to have your support and vote on November 4th.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TAHOE CITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
SEAT 3**

MERRILL MILNER

Age: 39

Occupation: Realtor

Education and Qualifications: I am running for this Director Seat #3 to gain knowledge of public service, and local government, in a hands on manner. I am a self employed local of twenty-four years in the Lake Tahoe area. I have a high school diploma from Incline High in Nevada and have 4 years of college education without a degree.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TAHOE CITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
SEAT 3**

CHRISTINE L. MCMORROW

Occupation: Executive Director

Education and Qualifications: As a resident of Tahoma for over 8 years, my family and I have come to have a vested interest in the North Tahoe community that the PUD serves. If elected, I would bring a proactive leadership style, a commitment to community outreach and a strong work ethic to the Tahoe City PUD board. My leadership qualifications come from over six years of experience working for a local non-profit organization, in which the skills of collaboration, communication and commitment to community are essential to daily operations.

Water, sewer and recreation issues are important to me. Ensuring that our utility is making decisions that are fair and equitable to all users is something that I can commit to as an elected board member. Keeping pace with the dynamic and ever changing recreational needs is a challenge that I take to heart as a current and active member of the Rideout Community Center committee.

This position requires a leader that is able to recognize and take action on the challenging issues we face now and into the future. My professional qualifications, personal enthusiasm, and commitment to this community make me a smart choice for this position.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TAHOE CITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
SEAT 3**

WENDY WOOD

Occupation: Solar/Sustainable Builder

Education and Qualifications: My qualifications for the Public Utility Board Seat #3 come from my extensive building experience and recent conversion to active solar, sustainable and green building as exemplified in two newly completed homes in Hurricane Bay. I worked closely with the Tahoe Regional Planning Association through the subdivision process of these homes, developed an active photovoltaic solar solution for both homes, even on the West Shore and implemented green building through using only reclaimed or sustainable forest building materials. Our homes have been nominated for Best of Basin, one sold before completion as a result of the innovative design and construction and they have been heralded as what new construction should be.

Through my many years of living and developing in various areas of Lake Tahoe, I understand the complexity of the environment here and how we must mutually respect our public service entities as well as the fragile nature that must be in balance around us. I will work diligently in my public service capacity and seek solutions that have long term benefits not just short terms answers.

**DECLARACIÓN DE LA CANDIDATA PARA
LA BANCA 3 DEL DISTRITO DE SERVICIOS PÚBLICOS DE LA
CIUDAD
DE TAHOE**

WENDY WOOD

Ocupación: Constructora de Viviendas Solares/Sustentables

Mi educación y calificaciones son: Mis calificaciones para la Banca N.º 3 de la Junta de Servicios Públicos provienen de mi amplia experiencia en la construcción y de la reciente conversión a la construcción solar activa, sustentable y ecológica tal como lo ejemplifican dos viviendas recientemente terminadas en Hurricane Bay. Trabajé estrechamente con la Asociación de Planificación Regional de Tahoe a través del proceso de subdivisión de estas viviendas, desarrollé una solución solar fotovoltaica activa para ambas viviendas, incluso en la Costa Oeste, e implementé la construcción ecológica mediante el uso únicamente de materiales de construcción recuperados o forestales sustentables. Nuestras viviendas han sido nominadas para el Mejor de la Cuenca; una fue vendida antes de terminarse como resultado del diseño y la construcción innovadores, y han sido anunciadas como lo que deberían ser las nuevas construcciones.

Durante mis varios años viviendo y desarrollando en diversas áreas del Lago Tahoe, entiendo la complejidad del medioambiente aquí y cómo debemos respetar mutuamente a nuestras entidades de servicios públicos, así como a la frágil naturaleza que debe estar en equilibrio a nuestro alrededor. Trabajaré diligentemente en mi ejercicio del servicio público y buscaré soluciones que tengan beneficios a largo plazo, no sólo respuestas a corto plazo.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TAHOE CITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
SEAT 3**

JUDY FRIEDMAN

Occupation: Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: The coming years will present difficult decisions that require creative solutions. Ratepayers will be paying more and deserve the utmost in safety and reliability. Issues such as repair and replacement of aging infrastructure and the impact of privately owned water companies are just two of the topics that will be considered by this Board. A constant review of TCPUD efficiencies will be critical.

As a homeowner and business owner, with experience in the public and private sectors, I appreciate the fiduciary accountability that comes with the responsibility I seek. The shift in economic dynamics in North Tahoe is clear when I compare my years as Director of Snowfest with today. My decisions will be based on sound financial footings and will consider the needs and concerns of our resident and business communities.

When I moved to Tahoe City in 1972, it was a small town. The issues were small and the quality of life was hard to beat. Now, more than three decades later, we are no longer a small town and must work to balance that quality of life with growth.

I appreciate the public trust that comes with your vote and ask for your support.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TAHOE CITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
SEAT 4**

GUY PERMAN

Occupation:

Education and Qualifications: I am actively seeking the Tahoe City Public Utility District Seat number Four.

From 1960 to the present I have been an active resident in our district. Tahoe is a very special place and I feel blessed to live here.

I have served on many local boards and committees over the years: the Lake Tahoe Summer Music Festival, the recent committee for the Heritage Plaza, many years on the NLTRA Infrastructure Committee as a Placer County representative and most recently, President of the Rotary Club of Tahoe City.

I care deeply about our community and the challenges we face. As a member of the NLTRA Infrastructure Committee, I have worked closely to address many issues that the TCPUD board shares: bike paths, parks, public transportation, redevelopment and grants to many worthwhile entities in our community.

The TCPUD board faces many challenges: antiquated water systems in private water districts; how to possibly incorporate these districts into the TCPUD; new metering of water usage mandated by the state and how to equitably charge homeowners, etc. And most important: public servants who listen to you. Your input and needs are important and need to be first.

Thank you for your consideration.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TRUCKEE DONNER PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT**

G. NEAL MOCK

Age: 52

Occupation:

Education and Qualifications: During my 20 years as a Truckee resident our family has grown to 4 children and 3 grandchildren. There is a good chance that I have encountered many of you at school, the grocery store, the post office or the soccer field. Like many of us, I work multiple part times jobs to make ends meet. My continuing educational journey includes a 4-year degree in Peace Studies with a Philosophy minor (1980). In the last decade my intellectual focus has been renewable energy and sustainability. Our home has generated 3/4ths of its energy needs from the sun since the 2002 addition of a grid tied solar electric system. From that experience it was only natural for me to participate in the recent coal debate on the side of more sustainable options. If elected, my decision making process will focus on enabling increased public input, enhanced civil discourse, heightened transparency and, most importantly, ever greater sustainability. As you plan for your civic duty of voting, I humbly request that you consider supporting my service as a director of the TDPUD Board.

**DECLARACIÓN DEL CANDIDATO PARA
EL DISTRITO DE SERVICIOS PÚBLICOS DE TRUCKEE DONNER**

G. NEAL MOCK

Edad: 52

Ocupación:

Mi educación y calificaciones son: Durante mis 20 años como residente de Truckee, nuestra familia se agrandó con 4 hijos y 3 nietos. Es muy probable que me haya encontrado con muchos de ustedes en la escuela, el supermercado, el correo o la cancha de fútbol. Como muchos de nosotros, trabajo en múltiples empleos de medio tiempo para que el dinero me alcance. Mi continua jornada educativa incluye un título de 4 años en Estudios para la Paz con especialización secundaria en Filosofía (1980). En la última década, mi enfoque intelectual ha sido la energía renovable y la sustentabilidad. Nuestra vivienda ha generado 3/4 de sus necesidades de energía del sol desde la incorporación en 2002 de un sistema eléctrico solar vinculado a una red de suministro. A partir de esa experiencia, era natural para mí participar en el reciente debate sobre carbón acompañando las opciones más sustentables. Si fuera elegido, mi proceso de toma de decisiones se centrará en permitir una mayor opinión del público, un mejor discurso civil, destacada transparencia y, lo que es más importante, aún más sustentabilidad. Mientras planifica su deber cívico de votar, humildemente le pido que considere apoyar mi servicio como director de la Junta del TDPUD.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TRUCKEE DONNER PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT**

DAN WARREN

Age: 46

Occupation: General Manager

Education and Qualifications: I have been regularly attending the PUD meetings for over a year and a half learning the issues that are on the horizon, what the expectations and needs are, and the history of where we have been.

Power and water are part of everyone's daily lives and needs to be looked at carefully by those who are willing to make it a daily concern.

As we head into the future, we need to look for new power sources that are looking at the environment and cost as an important aspects in power production. A source such as geothermal that is proven and reliable is worth looking at longer term contracts. Other reliable sources, such as coal, are cheap but still have issues with sequestration of carbon dioxide and other toxic chemicals that they produce. We also need to start looking at the possibilities of gaining more wind and solar power in our portfolio as these become more prevalent. A key component in this equation is the conservation aspect and the ongoing education to help lower bills through conservation. As we move forward into metered water supply conservation again will be the key to keeping cost down.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TRUCKEE DONNER PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT**

TONY LALIOS

Age: 37

Occupation: Utility Department Manager

Education and Qualifications: I have been a Truckee resident for ten years and have enjoyed the amazing opportunities that exist in this wonderful community. Truckee is currently facing the challenges of growth, economic uncertainty, and resource conservation; I believe that I have the desire and experience to work toward solutions to these difficult problems.

I have worked as an environmental engineer since earning a Bachelor of Science Degree from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo in 1994. I relocated to Truckee in 1999 and began my career in the public utility field as a superintendent, and most recently department manager at the Tahoe City PUD.

Local government is the foundation of service for small communities like Truckee. Public utilities will be a major component of the many environmental issues facing the Truckee-Tahoe area. With rising costs of service, the focus on resource conservation, and an aging infrastructure, public utilities are faced with a difficult future. My public utility background and experience offer a unique balance to the TDPUD board incorporating my knowledge of working for public and governing boards, as well as managing public money, employees and infrastructure. I would like this opportunity to serve Truckee and I appreciate your consideration of this goal.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TRUCKEE DONNER PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT**

JOHN B HILLSTROM

Age: 39

Occupation: Solar Power Software Engineer

Education and Qualifications: I am running for the PUD board because I believe I have the experience and background to positively influence the evolution of our PUD into a 21st century public utility. As a systems engineer for the past 20 years with a masters degree in engineering from Stanford, I have a solid understanding of how complex systems work, which directly applies to the power and water delivery process of the PUD.

For the last year, I've been an active member of the PUD's Conservation Committee and so I have a good understanding of how the PUD functions and what the issues are. My current work as a consultant for a solar power related software company has given me insight into issues surrounding renewable energy. I've also taken numerous advanced accounting and economics courses and would be a thorough and effective steward of the district's finances.

My goals as a board member would be to hold down power and water costs through effective conservation programs and sound fiscal management, as well to continue to pursue a diverse renewable energy portfolio. I would also push for more collaboration with other agencies to coordinate our conservation and efficiency efforts.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TRUCKEE DONNER PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT**

JEFF BENDER

Occupation: Mechanical Engineer

Education and Qualifications: My name is Jeff Bender, and I am proud to be running for the TDPUD Board of Directors. I believe we are in a time of immense change, and I look forward to being a part of that change by serving on the new TDPUD Board.

I am a Professional Mechanical Engineer and owner of Bender Engineering and Commissioning (BECx). My business focuses on energy efficiency, renewable energy and green building practices. I am a member of numerous organizations including SiGBA, CATT, Build it Green and the Association of Energy Engineers.

Currently, I am the Chair of the Truckee Planning Commission, and have donated all of my earnings as a Commissioner to various non-profits.

I have been a full-time resident for seven years with family ties to the area for over thirty years. I live in Truckee with my wife and two children.

I plan to bring a fresh perspective to all issues facing the Board. I believe with a balanced focus on both the economic and environmental impact of the TDPUD's activities, we can all feel good about the world we are leaving to our children and grandchildren. I appreciate your support on November 4th.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TRUCKEE DONNER PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT**

BILL THOMASON

Age: 54

Occupation: Certified Public Accountant

Education and Qualifications: I am a self employed Certified Public Accountant and Truckee resident since January, 1989. My strong financial background and willingness to listen to the community about issues relating to the Truckee Donner Public Utilities District, (PUD), are strengths during my past four years in office.

I interact with many community members and my small business clients to solicit feedback relating to the PUD, and have encouraged an open door relationship with community members to contact me directly to express their opinions.

Significant positive changes have occurred in the past four years, including rejection of a 50-year coal contract, revision of the broadband proposal from its originally presented package, new transparency and accountability through increased communication with the community via live televised meetings on Channel 6 and live streaming video on the Internet, and some restructuring of upper management staff.

I believe the PUD is moving in a positive and productive direction, with a different level of accountability to the community. If re-elected, I commit that I will continue to push for clear and open working relationships, more community involvement, easier access for community feedback, improved community outreach, and better efficiency of PUD operations.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
PLACER COUNTY WATER AGENCY
DIVISION 5**

BEN MAVY

Occupation: Small Business Owner, Financial/Investment Advisor

Education and Qualifications: I am running for this board to address the looming water crisis that is before us.

In many parts of the Fifth District, wells are going dry. We have no source of water for fire hydrants to protect our homes and neighborhoods. Many of the district's taxpayers would love to have access to PCWA water, but rather than treating you like a customer, the agency would rather put you through a tangle of bureaucratic red tape.

We have a chance, in this election, to change course, and I'm running because I have the skills and experience to bring that change about.

As a small business owner, I know how important water is to strong economic growth for our local businesses. As a financial advisor, I have experience balancing budgets, making tough decisions, and implementing investment strategies that meet both the short and long term needs of my clients.

These skills are sorely needed at PCWA, and that's what I'll bring to the job. I ask for your vote! You can learn more at www.benmavy.com.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
PLACER COUNTY WATER AGENCY
DIVISION 5**

T. OTIS WOLLAN

Age: 60

Occupation: PCWA Director/Mediator

Education and Qualifications: PCWA faces big challenges: completing water rights renewal, hydroelectric re-licensing, rebuilding aging infrastructure, and maintaining stability in hard economic times.

In my past years of service, PCWA has gained regional and statewide recognition and awards for its leadership in management and governance. Major construction projects are now replacing the aging pipes and treatment plants, assuring constancy of service within budget. Bond ratings remain strong through the recent collapse of the bond market. PCWA stayed stable through development's boom and bust cycle and spiraling inflation in construction and energy costs. I am proud of these accomplishments for the betterment of our community, and commit to continuing this solid record.

My profession in the private sector as a dispute mediator has brought useful skills to my PCWA Board tenure. I bring experience, consistency, and demonstrated dedication and integrity to this position. It will be an honor to serve the public for this next four-year term.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SIERRA LAKES COUNTY WATER DISTRICT**

AL LE BEL

Age: 64

Occupation: Retired Audit Administrator

Education and Qualifications: I have degrees in accounting and business administration, and I directed multinational audit and investigations programs for over 30 years. I have been a Serene Lakes property owner for 28 years.

If elected, I will work to resolve District issues, including leaking sewer and water lines, a substandard waste treatment process, a backup water supply (wells) not equipped for emergency use, providing service to existing vacant lots, and undefined issues related to future development.

Even with recent rate increases, the District is borrowing for current expenditures. Repairing the District's broken infrastructure and providing service to existing vacant lots is going to cost millions of dollars over the next four to five years. Large rate increases to service the debt will be unavoidable. I will focus on the business of providing water and sewer service, and minimize unnecessary spending, such as the \$130,000 paid to lawyers over the past two years, when there was no pending litigation.

If elected, my goals will be to protect Serene Lakes - develop comprehensive water supply, storage, and waste treatment plans, including service to existing vacant lots - eliminate unnecessary spending - and improve communication and public disclosure of the District's administrative and financial operations.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SIERRA LAKES COUNTY WATER DISTRICT**

WADE FREEDLE

Occupation: Incumbent

Education and Qualifications: I would like to present a brief resume of my background and qualifications for the position of director of the Sierra Lakes County Water District.

My work and education are in finance and I have an advanced degree in business administration. I am presently retired.

I have been a director of the District for the last eight years and have served as president for the last five years. During this period we have developed a comprehensive infrastructure repair plan that will be implemented over the next three years and will bring our facilities for both water and wastewater processing up to current standards.

During the past two years we have been assessing the capacity of our facilities and water resources to determine the ability of the District to serve additional development. I defined the guidelines and supervised the preparation of our water supply study that will be the basis for making this decision. In addition, I am also supervising the development of a water service master plan that encompasses all aspects of water service. Facilities for pumping, filtration, storage and transmission are added to water supply and permitting limitations to form an overall capacity analysis.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SIERRA LAKES COUNTY WATER DISTRICT**

JOSEPH GRAY

Age: 55

Occupation: Retired Engineer/Executive

Education and Qualifications: I graduated from UC Berkeley with a M.S. in electrical engineering. I owned and managed a high tech engineering company prior to retiring in 2005. Since retiring, I have spent time studying Serene Lakes water issues and have become very concerned about the fragile nature of our water supply, the health of the lakes and of their watershed.

As a regular attendee of water board meetings, I am pleased by the current board's progress in rebuilding the community's water and sewage infrastructure. As a board member, I will use my engineering and management background to continue these efforts in a cost effective and engineeringly sound manner. In addition, I will emphasize protection of our water supply's health through the acquisition of the lake bottom and the proper management of its watershed and greenbelt. I oppose any unnecessary lowering or raising of the lake level.

I believe the district should continue water contingency planning, including reserving the contaminated district wells as backup sources, only to be used if unforeseen circumstances make the lake water unavailable.

I believe in transparent government. If elected I will strive to listen to everyone and to keep everyone informed.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SIERRA LAKES COUNTY WATER DISTRICT**

MARTIN D. BERN

Age: 46

Occupation: Attorney

Education and Qualifications: As a Director for the past four years, I have worked to protect our precious water resource -- Serene Lakes -- from threats to its continued vitality as a quality water, recreational and fishery resource. I have asked hard questions regarding proposals to dredge the lakes in order to increase water supply at the expense of water quality, lake health and recreation. I am skeptical about the suggestion that we raise the dam on Serena Creek because it poses a threat of flooding to lakefront and other properties. I support the Board's action to exercise eminent domain to acquire the land beneath our lakes. If re-elected, I will continue to serve as a voice for the protection of our important water resources. As an attorney, I believe I bring an important perspective and skill set to our board in relation to issues of water rights and environmental review. In addition, I support the phased upgrade and replacement of our aging underground water and sewer systems. These efforts will save the District money by avoiding future emergency repairs, which are both costly and disruptive. Thank you for your consideration.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SQUAW VALLEY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT**

JOHN WILCOX

Occupation: Incumbent

Education and Qualifications: Directors of this District must study and understand complex technical reports, legal advice, financial statements, employee relations, and public communications. We must be skilled at making a variety of important and sometimes difficult decisions. I have learned and practiced all of these skills in my education and many years of managing successful businesses.

In the next few years the District faces important challenges that will impact our community, including a limited water supply, aging wells and infrastructure, potential new developments in the valley, and the possibility of the State taking our tax revenues. I would be honored to continue working for you on these issues and will remain financially conservative and mindful of our natural resources and environment.

Residents of Squaw Valley are invited to contact me with questions on any District issue—my local phone is 581-3022 and my email is jwilcox228@gmail.com.

My wife and I have been full-time residents of Squaw Valley for 15 years. Retired from business, I am now an unpaid volunteer for the non-profit, Squaw Valley Institute, of which I was Founder and serve as Board President.

Education: B.S. Chemical Engineering, Oregon State University, M.B.A., Stanford University

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SQUAW VALLEY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT**

BRIAN T. SHEEHAN

Occupation:

Education and Qualifications: I recently retired from 35 years of engineering leadership in the pharmaceutical industry. Holding B.Sc., M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Chemical Engineering, I have directed engineering and process development and design of pharmaceutical manufacturing facilities throughout my entire career.

I currently hold Professional Engineering licenses (P.E.) in the states of California and Ohio and have kept them active through 25 years of continuing education. The extensive knowledge and experience for keeping these licenses current involved water systems, water chemistry and microbiology which would be a valuable asset to the S.V. Public Service District.

I have owned and lived in my Squaw Valley home on Forest Glen Road for over two decades. My wife, teenage son and I still enjoy snow skiing on the local steep runs over at Squaw.

I believe my years of management experience in both small and large corporations would be a valuable asset to the District, as well as my simultaneous record in the U.S. Navy Reserve in which I achieved the rank of Rear Admiral (two-star). I also have the time, energy and business/engineering experience to dedicate to the Service Board.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SQUAW VALLEY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT**

CARL R. GUSTAFSON

Age: 74

Occupation: Self Employed Civil Engineer & Surveyor

Education and Qualifications: I have been a full time Squaw Valley resident since 1963 and formerly a Squaw Valley Property Owners Board Member. I am presently a member of the Friends of Squaw Creek and the Truckee River Watershed Counsel. I have attended many SVPSD meetings where I submitted comments relating to the impact over-drafting has upon the aquifer, Squaw Creek and higher water rates. I have argued the amount of water available is limited - confirmed by the study conducted by SVPSD.

Since 1992, I have observed Squaw Creek drying up unusually early with fish and aquatic life dying. This phenomena is occurring again this season. Thus, I believe the SVPSD should direct their attention to managing the water to better benefit both the residents and the environment. My position has been consistent and can be referenced by reviewing supporting comments in draft EIR's, minutes of SVPSD meetings, and before Lahontan Water Quality Control Board. My focus as a SVPSD Board Member will be to insure current residents have an adequate safe supply of water.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SQUAW VALLEY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT**

MAUREEN O'KEEFE

Occupation: Realtor-Associate

Education and Qualifications: I have lived in or around Squaw Valley since 1992. I am a realtor, and my husband is a firefighter for Squaw Valley. I believe that a new voice should be brought to the Public Service District. Squaw Valley has changed a lot in the recent past, and I would like to make sure that continued change and development occur in a way that satisfies the wants and needs of the current residents as well as the developers. I support smart development, development that takes into consideration the fabulous beauty of the Squaw Valley I have grown to love so well. If you elect me as director, I promise to take your voices into consideration by talking to you, the constituents, before casting a vote for anything. Isn't it time for your voice to be heard?

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SQUAW VALLEY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT**

ERIC POULSEN

Occupation:

Education and Qualifications: Eric Poulsen is a lifelong member of the Squaw Valley community. He has raised his family here, is in business here and has been a property owner since the 1970's.

Eric has also been very involved in the Squaw Valley community. He is both a current and past boardmember / director of the Squaw Valley Public Service District. He understands what is needed to keep our community services moving forward for the benefit of future generations.

The Squaw Valley Public Service District is the entity that provides fire, sewer, garbage and most water services to valley residences, businesses and visitors. Eric is dedicated to see our district continue to provide these services in a safe and efficient manner.

Eric Poulsen is committed to the future of our valley. He loves Squaw Valley.

MEASURE M

PROPOSAL TO ISSUE BONDS FOR LOS RIOS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Shall the Los Rios Community College District be authorized to issue \$475 million in bonds at the lowest available interest rates to improve student academic performance by building classrooms, facilities and labs throughout the district including for teaching green technologies; nursing and health care programs; architecture, engineering and construction management; computer sciences; early childhood development; and fire and police public safety programs at the American River, Cosumnes River, El Dorado, Folsom, and Sacramento City College campuses?

BONDS YES _____

BONDS NO _____

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY SACRAMENTO COUNTY COUNSEL

If approved by the voters, Measure M would allow the Los Rios Community College District ("District") to incur bonded indebtedness up to a maximum amount of \$475 million. The proceeds from the issuance and sale of such general obligation bonds could only be used for the construction, reconstruction and/or rehabilitation of college facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of college facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for college facilities.

No funds derived from bond sales could be used for general college operating expenses, including administrator and teacher salaries, or for any purpose or project other than those expressly stated in the measure. Measure M lists the school facility improvement projects for all of the District's college campuses, which include American River, Cosumnes River, Folsom Lake and Sacramento City Colleges.

To assure that funds are spent only on school and classroom improvements and for no other purposes, this measure would require the District to: 1) deposit all bond sale funds into a specially created building fund account; 2) prepare an annual report on the amount of funds

collected and expended and the status of any project required or authorized to be funded; 3) appoint a citizen's oversight committee; and 4) conduct annual independent performance and financial audits.

If Measure M is passed, the actual dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold would be governed by the District. The bonds may be issued in series by the District from time to time, and each series of bonds may not mature more than forty years from their date of issuance. If Measure M is approved, the tax rates necessary for payment of principal and interest on any bonds sold will be largely dictated by the timing of the bond sales, the amount sold at a given sale, market interest rates at the time of each sale (although in no event greater than the maximum bond net interest rate allowed by law), as well as actual assessed valuation of taxable property in the District over the term of repayment.

Passage of Measure M requires approval by fifty-five percent of the voters voting thereon.

EDUCATION CODE 15122.5(b) "Approval of Measure M does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Los Rios Community College District that are the subject of bonds under Measure M will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure M. The district's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure."

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE M

The four-county Sacramento region depends on the Los Rios Community Colleges for their essential role in education, providing career and vocational training to thousands of local residents and preparing students for four-year colleges and universities.

Today, 85,000 students attend classes at Sacramento City, American River, Cosumnes River and Folsom Lake Community Colleges and their centers in Natomas, Davis, West Sacramento, Placerville and Rancho Cordova. Within 8 years, that enrollment will grow to 120,000.

Whether seeking a university degree or job training in fields such as nursing, fire-fighting and law enforcement, the students of the Los Rios Community College District will face major obstacles – overcrowding, inadequate equipment, a shortage of classrooms and aging facilities.

Measure M will build new classrooms and allow the District to expand course offerings. It will repair and renovate old and outdated classrooms.

Measure M will build high-tech facilities to provide up-to-date academic and vocational courses such as green technology, computer science, electronics and business.

Measure M will expand and upgrade infrastructure fire and security systems, and libraries. It will improve access for disabled students.

Measure M will provide classroom computers and prepare our students to compete in the 21st century job market.

Measure M makes financial sense. If classrooms are not repaired and expanded now, it will only cost more in the future. Funds can only be used to improve our colleges – not to pay for administrative salaries.

Measure M will protect taxpayers. While Los Rios has a well-deserved reputation for sound financial management, an independent citizens' oversight committee will audit all expenditures.

In the face of national and local economic uncertainty, Measure M is an investment in a brighter future for thousands of our citizens. Keep Los Rios Community College District among the top community college systems in the state. Vote YES on Measure M.

Matt Kelly, Executive Director
Gayle Garbolino-Mojica, Placer County Superintendent
Brice Harris, Chancellor
Howard Lawrence, Member, Committee For Workforce Training

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE M

Measure M is a billion-dollar TAX INCREASE that property owners will be paying for decades and decades, long after the "high-tech facilities" promised by the bond promoters have worn out and need to be repaired again. If this bond passes, future taxpayers will be forced to pay for future repairs and renovations while they are still paying off this irresponsible debt.

Students should pay, too, not just homeowners! A college education is a very valuable thing to the students who earn it, but the District is not asking students to pay a penny more for these new facilities. Is that fair? If additional funding is really necessary, students should bear some of the cost. Taxpayers have been extraordinarily generous in funding our local community colleges to the point that our local college tuition is now the lowest in America. Enough is enough!

The high-paid bond promoters always talk about the need for vocational training, but taxpayers are being forced

to subsidize college courses in golf, Polynesian dance, wine-making, and many interesting hobbies. (See for yourself! Check the course catalogue at www.losrios.edu) Before raising taxes on homeowners who are struggling to make ends meet, the District needs to prioritize its spending and focus on critical needs. It makes no sense to borrow money for critical needs when the District is squandering existing revenues on frivolity and generous compensation for administrators.

Please send a message. Vote NO on Measure M.

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President, California Taxpayer Protection Committee
Ken Payne, President of the Sacramento County Taxpayers League
Lewis K. Uhler, President, National Tax Limitation Committee
George E. Park Jr., President, Placer County Rep. Assembly

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE M

This measure to increase our taxes is poorly timed and threatens to increase the strain on hard working middle class families that are struggling just to hold onto their homes and put gas in their cars. With interest, the taxpayers of this District will be paying approximately \$1 billion for this wish list.

Although the text of the ballot measure claims that student achievement will be improved through better facilities, this point is far from accurate. High quality teachers and instructional support staff are the ones who improve the quality of education for students in the District. Neighboring Sierra College has not passed a bond measure to upgrade its Rocklin campus since it was built decades ago. Yet it's recognized for the high numbers of degrees that it awards and high percentage of students that it transfers to four-year colleges and universities. They have succeeded without a bond.

Furthermore, this District passed a sizable bond measure just a few years ago. The community already has voted to increase its taxes once, and there is no need to do so again right now.

The District does not have a revenue problem, it has a spending problem. Despite a massive increase in per pupil State funding to the Los Rios District in recent years, the District has chosen not to address the issues contained on its wish list. Instead, these new revenues have largely been spent to increase salaries of college employees. If the District feels that these facilities improvements are truly vital to the quality of the educational program, they should redirect these new revenues into facilities. The District is simply not setting priorities for how it should spend its plentiful resources.

Please join us in voting no on Measure M. We simply can't afford another tax increase right now.

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President, California Taxpayer Protection Committee
Jerry Simmons, Former President Sierra College Board
Phil Ozenick, Former Placer County Supervisor District One

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE M

Los Rios Community Colleges prepare thousands of students each year for jobs and careers throughout the region, many forced to transition to new jobs in tough economic times. Sadly, these students are facing overcrowded, aging facilities that cannot meet the demands of a rapidly growing region.

Mandatory annual audits by an independent Citizens Oversight Committee show Los Rios has always delivered on its promises, updating older facilities and expanding to reach new populations in Folsom, Elk Grove, Yolo County and El Dorado County.

With enrollment at all-time highs, however, Measure M is essential if we are to sustain economic growth and provide critical training for thousands. Los Rios is the area's largest educator of nurses, dental hygienists, police officers, fire fighters, licensed child care providers, computer programmers, electricians and many others. Without Measure M we could be forced to turn away students and won't be able to deliver the workforce this region so desperately needs.

Measure M funds can only be used to repair or expand facilities – not for administrative or teachers' salaries.

It will increase campus safety – a critical consideration today – with security lighting, intrusion and fire alarms and structural repairs. Measure M creates jobs for local workers who will modernize and construct new facilities.

Please join your friends and neighbors: support our community colleges – American River, Sacramento City, Cosumnes River, Folsom Lake and centers in Davis, Elk Grove, West Sacramento, Rancho Cordova, Natomas and El Dorado County.

Vote Yes on Measure M!

Jeremy G. Bernau, Member Los Rio Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee
Matthew R. Mahood, President & CEO, Sacramento Metro Chamber
Gayle Garbolino-Mojica, County Superintendent of Schools
Howard Lawrence, Member Committee For Workforce Training
Brice W. Harris, Chancellor, Los Rios Community Colleges

ORDERING AN ELECTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, ESTABLISHING SPECIFICATIONS OF THE ELECTION ORDER, AND REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION WITH OTHER ELECTIONS OCCURRING ON NOVEMBER 4, 2008

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Los Rios Community College District (the "District"), it is advisable to call an election to submit to the electors of the District the question whether bonds of the District shall be issued and sold for the purpose of raising money for the acquisition and improvement of real property and the furnishing, building and equipping of educational facilities of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board is authorized to pursue the authorization and issuance of bonds by a 55% vote of the electorate on the question whether bonds of the District shall be issued and sold for specified purposes, under Article XIII A Section 1 paragraph (b) of the California Constitution ("Article XIII A") and under Education Code Section 15264 *et seq.* (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, under Section 10403 *et seq.* of the California Elections Code, it is appropriate for the Board to request consolidation of the election with any and all other elections to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2008, and to request the Sacramento County Registrar of Voters to perform certain election services for the District;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LOS RIOS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Call for Election. The Board hereby orders an election and submits to the electors of the District the question of whether general obligation bonds of the District shall be issued and sold in the maximum principal amount of \$475 million for the purpose of raising money to finance educational facilities and property of the District, and paying costs incident thereto, as set forth more fully in the ballot measure approved under Section 3. This Resolution constitutes the order of the District to call such election.

Section 2. Election Date. The date of the election shall be November 4, 2008, and the election shall be held solely within the boundaries of the District.

Section 3. Purpose of Election; Ballot Measure. The purpose of the election shall be for the voters in the District to vote on a measure, a full copy of which is attached hereto as Appendix A, containing the question of whether the District shall issue the Bonds for the purposes stated therein, together with the accountability

requirements of Article XIII A and the requirements of Section 15272 of the Act. As required by Elections Code Section 13247, the abbreviated form of the measure to appear on the ballot is attached hereto as Appendix B. The Chancellor is hereby authorized and directed to make any changes to the text of the measure as required to conform to any requirements of Article XIII A, the Act or the Sacramento County Registrar of Voters.

Section 4. Authority for Election. The authority for ordering the election is contained in Section 15264 *et seq.* of the Education Code and Section I paragraph (b) subsection (3) of Article XIII A. The authority for the specification of this election order is contained in Section 5322 of the Education Code.

Section 5. College Facilities Projects. As required by Article XIII A, the Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size and information technology needs in developing the list of college facilities projects set forth in Appendix A.

Section 6. Covenants of the Board upon Approval of the Bonds by the Electorate. As required by Article XIII and Section 15278 of the Act, in the event 55 percent or more of the voters voting in the District approve of the Bonds, the Board shall:

- (a) Conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the funds have been expended only on the projects listed in Appendix A;
- (b) Conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for the projects listed in Appendix A; and
- (c) Establish and appoint members to an independent citizens' oversight committee in accordance with Sections 15278, 15280, and 15282 of the Act.

Section 7. Delivery of this Resolution. The Clerk of the Board is hereby directed to send a copy of this Resolution to the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools, the Sacramento County Registrar of Voters (the "County Registrar") and the Sacramento County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors. The County Registrar is hereby requested to print the full text of the ballot measure in the ballot materials and to publish the Notice of Bond Election in a newspaper of general circulation within the District.

**MEASURE M RESOLUTION
CONTINUED**

Section 8. State Matching Funds. The District hereby requests that the County Registrar include the following statement in the ballot pamphlet, pursuant to Section 15122.5 of the Education Code:

“Approval of Measure M does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Los Rios Community College District that are the subject of bonds under Measure M will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure M. The District’s proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.”

Section 9. Consolidation of Election; Request to Provide Services. The County Registrar and the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors are hereby requested to consolidate the election ordered hereby with any and all other elections to be held on November 4, 2008, within the District. Pursuant to Section 5303 of the Education Code and Section 10002 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of Sacramento County is requested to permit the County Registrar to render all services specified by Section 10418 of the Elections Code relating to the election, for which services the District agrees to reimburse Sacramento County in full upon presentation of a bill, such services to include the publication of a formal Notice of Bond Election and the mailing of the sample ballot and tax rate statement (described in Section 9401 of the Elections Code).

Section 10. Ballot Arguments; Tax Rate Statement. Any and all members of this Board are hereby authorized to act as an author of any ballot argument prepared in connection with the election, including a rebuttal argument. The President of the Board, the Chancellor, the Deputy Chancellor or any designee of the foregoing, are hereby authorized to execute any Tax Rate Statement or other document and to perform all acts necessary to place the bond measure on the ballot.

Section 11. Accountability Measures. As required by Section 53410 of the Government Code, a statement in substantially the following form shall be included on the ballot for the Bonds, and the Board covenants to comply with the reporting requirements contained in Section 53411 of the Government Code:

Accountability Measures

As required by Section 53410 of the Government Code, the following accountability measures are hereby made a part of the District’s Bond Measure M (the “Measure”):

- (a) The specific purpose of the bonds is set forth in the Full Text of the Measure;
- (b) The proceeds from the sale of the District’s bonds will be used only for the purposes specified in the Measure, and not for any other purpose;
- (c) The proceeds of the Bonds will be deposited into a Building Fund to be held by the Sacramento County Treasurer, as required by the California Education Code; and
- (d) The Chancellor of the District shall cause an annual report to be filed with the Board of Trustees of the District not later than January 1 of each year, which report shall contain pertinent information regarding the amount of funds collected and expended, as well as the status of the projects listed in the Measure, as required by Sections 53410 and 53411 of the Government Code.

Section 12. Maturity Limit of Bonds. The Bonds may be issued in series by the District from time to time, and each series of Bonds shall mature not more than 40 years from the date of issuance thereof. The Bonds shall be issued under the Act, under the provisions of Section 53506 of the California Government Code, or under any other provision of law authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds by community college districts.

Section 13. Engagement of Professional Services. The Board hereby approves the engagement of the firm of Jones Hall, A Professional Law Corporation, to serve as bond counsel to the District, and the firm of Dale Scott & Company Inc. to act as financial advisor to the District, in connection with the election proceedings and the issuance of the Bonds. Fees payable to such firms shall be contingent upon the successful passage of the bond measure and the issuance and sale of the Bonds. The Deputy Chancellor of the District is hereby authorized and directed to execute the agreement between each of said firms and the District, in the form on file with the Deputy Chancellor.

Section 14. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect on and after its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED as Los Rios Community College District Resolution № 2008-07 by the following vote this 16th Day of July, 2008.

Ayes: 7
Noes: 0
Absent: 0

Attest:

Ann Blackwood, Board President
Brice W. Harris, Chancellor and Board Secretary

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**APPENDIX A
BALLOT MEASURE
FULL TEXT**

"Shall the Los Rios Community College District be authorized to issue \$475 million in bonds at the lowest available interest rates to improve student academic performance by building classrooms, facilities and labs throughout the district including for teaching green technologies; nursing and health care programs; architecture, engineering and construction management; computer sciences; early childhood development; and fire and police public safety programs at the American River, Cosumnes River, El Dorado, Folsom, and Sacramento City College campuses?"

Bonds—Yes

Bonds—No

BOND AUTHORIZATION

By approval of this measure by at least 55 percent of the registered voters voting on the measure, the Los Rios Community College District will be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$475 million in aggregated principal at interest rates below the legal limit and to provide financing for the specific projects listed in the Bond Project List described below, subject to all the accountability requirements specified below.

ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS

The provisions in this section are specifically included in this measure in order that the voters and taxpayers in the District may be assured that their money will be spent wisely. Expenditures to address specific facilities needs of the District will be in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3), of the

State Constitution and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Education Code Sections 15264 and following.)

Evaluation of Needs. The Board of Trustees of the District has identified detailed facilities needs of the District and has determined which projects to finance from a local bond at this time. The Board of Trustees hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction, enrollment growth, and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List shown below.

Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee. The Board of Trustees shall establish an Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee under Education Code Section 15278 and following to ensure bond proceeds are expended only on the projects listed below. The committee will be established within 60 days of the date when the results of the election appear in the minutes of the Board of Trustees.

Performance Audits. The Board of Trustees shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the projects listed below.

Financial Audits. The Board of Trustees shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent for the projects listed below.

FURTHER SPECIFICATIONS

No Administrator Salaries. Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction and/or rehabilitation of college facilities including the furnishing and equipping of college facilities or acquisition or lease of real property for college facilities and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other operating expenses.

BOND PROJECT LIST

The Bond Project List shown below is a part of the ballot measure and must be reproduced in any official document required to contain the full statement of the bond measure.

Evaluation of Needs. As required by Article XIII A of the California Constitution, the Board of Trustee of the District has certified that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the list of projects shown below.

Projects Subject to Available Funding. The following list of projects is subject to the availability of adequate funding to the District. Approval of the bond measure does not guarantee that the proposed projects in the District that are the subject of bonds under the measure will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by the bond measure. The District's proposal for the

projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.

Scope of Projects. Bond proceeds will be expended to modernize, replace, renovate, construct, equip, furnish, rebuild and otherwise improve District facilities as described below. The specific projects which are described below include all related and incidental costs, including costs of design, engineering, architect and other professional services, site preparation, utilities, landscaping and other incidental costs, and construction management. Bond proceeds may also be expended to acquire real property for future educational facilities and to acquire and install furniture,

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fixtures and equipment at any classrooms and other facilities of the District. The District may alter the scope and nature of any of the specific projects, which are described below as required by conditions that arise during the course of design and construction, including unforeseen conditions such as dry rot, mold and faulty engineering.

DISTRICT-WIDE IMPROVEMENTS

Bond proceeds may be spent to improve any District facilities located at any campus, as needed for any of the following purposes, depending upon the age, condition and needs of each particular facility:

- Upgrade electrical, communication, computer, fire alarm, and similar building systems as well as main power service and distribution, which may include active and passive solar power and heating system acquisition, installation and construction
- Replace, repair or upgrade plumbing, piping and drainage systems, including water supply, meters, water heating, and wastewater systems, plumbing fixtures and sinks, etc., within buildings and sites and to connect with city supply and drainage systems
- Replace or modify aging heating, ventilation and air cooling systems with energy-efficient heating and air cooling systems (HVAC), including installing energy management systems (EMS)
- Replace, modify, upgrade interior lighting and exterior safety and security lighting systems and fixtures, as necessary
- Repair, modify and construct structural elements of existing structures as necessary
- Replace or repair aging roofs
- Upgrade, modify and construct restroom facilities throughout the District
- Comply, as necessary, with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Construct, repair, and renovate roadways, walkways, grounds, parking lots and make entrance improvements including signage for safety and public information
- Develop and implement the facilities master plans and related requirements such as environmental impact reports and soils testing

To improve the overall educational experience for students in the District, renovation, modernization, upgrades and major repairs will take place at existing District college sites and facilities, including but not limited to the following projects at the following locations:

AMERICAN RIVER COLLEGE

- Construct Additional Classrooms and Student Service Facilities at American River College and Natomas Educational Center

- Modernize and/or Replace Classrooms at Davies Hall
- Modernize and Expand the Public Safety Center
- Construct a New Culinary Arts Building
- Modernize and/or Replace, and Expand the Student Center
- Expand the Student Services Facilities
- Modernize and Expand the Existing Bookstore and Cafeteria Space
- Make Improvements to the Physical Education Facilities and Athletic Fields
- Make Infrastructure Improvements Throughout the Campus
- Provide New Parking Facilities and Make Needed Parking Improvements at American River College and Natomas Educational Center
- Modernize the Administration Building

COSUMNES RIVER COLLEGE

- Construct Additional Classrooms and Student Service Facilities at Cosumnes River College and Elk Grove Educational Center
- Expand Library Facilities
- Construct a Facility for the Architecture and Construction Management Program
- Provide New Instructional Space
- Modernize and Expand the Student Center Facilities
- Expand the Fine Arts Facilities
- Construct a New Gymnasium
- Improve and expand Physical Education Facilities and Athletic Fields
- Make Infrastructure Improvements Throughout the Campus
- Provide New Parking Facilities and Make Needed Parking Improvements at Cosumnes River College and Elk Grove Educational Center

FOLSOM LAKE COLLEGE

- Construct Additional Classrooms and Student Service Facilities at Folsom Lake College and Rancho Cordova Educational Center
- Provide New Instructional Space
- Expand existing Library Facilities
- Provide New Child Development Center
- Improve and expand Physical Education Facilities and Athletic Fields
- Make Infrastructure Improvements at Folsom Lake College and El Dorado Educational Center
- Provide New Parking Facilities and Make Needed Parking Improvements at Folsom Lake College and Rancho Cordova Educational Center

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SACRAMENTO CITY COLLEGE

- Construct Additional Classrooms and Student Service Facilities at Sacramento City College, West Sacramento Educational Center, and Davis Educational Center
- Modernize and/or Replace Classrooms at Lusk Building
- Modernize and/or Replace Classrooms at Lillard Hall, Including Those Which House the Sciences, Nursing, and Health Care Support Courses
- Provide New Instructional Space, Including Space for Green Technology Training
- Modernize the Administration of Justice Facility

- Provide a New Bookstore and Cafeteria Space
- Provide a New Bookstore and Cafeteria Space
- Modernize Hughes Stadium
- Make Infrastructure Improvements Throughout the Campus
- Provide New Parking Facilities and Make Needed Parking Improvements at Sacramento City College, West Sacramento Educational Center, and Davis Educational Center

DISTRICT OFFICE COMPLEX

- Construct or replace the Economic Development Center
- Modernize and Expand the District Office and make Infrastructure Improvements

TAX RATE STATEMENT

An election will be held in the Los Rios Community College District (the "District") on November 4, 2008 to authorize the sale of \$475,000,000 in general obligation bonds. The following information is submitted in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the California Elections Code.

1. The best estimate of the tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$.00909 per \$100 (\$9.09 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2011-12.

2. The best estimate of the tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the last series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$.00909 per \$100 (\$9.09 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2019-20.

3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, is \$.00909 per \$100 (\$9.09 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.

4. The best estimate of the average tax rate required to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$.00909 per \$100 (\$9.09 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.

These estimates are based on projections derived from information obtained from official sources. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary depending on the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold at each sale and actual increases in assessed valuations. The timing of the bond sales and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the needs of the District. Actual assessed valuations will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined in the assessment and the equalization process.

Dated: July 17, 2008

Jon Sharpe
Deputy Chancellor
Los Rios Community College District

MEASURE N

PROPOSAL TO ISSUE BONDS FOR THE CENTER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

To acquire, construct, and improve school facilities, including building new schools and classrooms to reduce student overcrowding, improving existing schools for greater energy efficiency and increased access to computers and technology, and qualify the District for approximately \$250,000,000 in State funds, shall the District issue up to \$500,000,000 in bonds at legal interest rates, with a citizens' oversight committee, annual audits, no money for administrator salaries, and provided funds cannot be transferred to the State?

BONDS YES _____

BONDS NO _____

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY SACRAMENTO COUNTY COUNSEL

Measure N, if approved by the voters, would allow the Center Unified School District ("District") to incur bonded indebtedness up to a maximum amount of \$500 million. The proceeds from the issuance and sale of such general obligation bonds could only be used for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities.

No funds derived from bond sales may be used for general school operating expenses, including administrator and teacher salaries, or for any purpose or project other than those expressly stated in the measure. Measure N lists the school facility improvement projects within the District intended to be financed by bond sales.

To assure that funds are spent only as specified in the measure, Measure N requires: 1) the appointment of

a citizen's oversight committee and 2) completion of annual independent performance and financial audits.

If Measure N is passed, the actual dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold would be governed by the District based on the need for construction funds and other factors. If Measure N is approved, the tax rates necessary for payment of principal and interest on any bonds sold will be largely dictated by the timing of the bond sales, the amount sold at a given sale, market interest rates at the time of each sale (although in no event greater than the maximum bond interest rate allowed by law), as well as actual assessed valuation of taxable property in the District over the term of repayment.

Passage of Measure N requires approval by fifty-five percent of the voters voting thereon.

EDUCATION CODE 15122.5(b) "Approval of Measure N does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Center United School District that are the subject of bonds under Measure N will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure N. The district's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure."

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE N

Excellent school facilities in the Center Unified School District have been the key to opportunities and a better life. Seventeen years ago we passed a bond that allowed us to build and maintain quality schools. With that bond, the District has successfully leveraged over \$75,000,000 from the State to build local schools. Center schools are among the best in the Sacramento area.

Now, we need to plan for the next thirty years. Measure "N" will maintain a balance by building new schools and classrooms as they become necessary while enhancing existing schools to the same standard. If we do not build new schools, overcrowding will negatively impact the education and welfare of our children.

Measure "N" will maintain our current high quality schools. It will allow us to modernize all our existing schools to keep pace with the new schools being built.

Measure "N" makes financial sense. It will qualify the District for an additional \$250 million in State matching funds, improve property values and maintain the desirability of our community. It will provide safe and

energy-efficient schools. It will ensure new homeowners in the District pay their fair share for school improvements, as they will pay the same tax rate as current residents to maintain and improve schools.

Taxpayer safeguards will be in place. Measure "N" requires an independent citizens' oversight committee of parents, business leaders, senior citizens, and taxpayer advocates. Required annual financial and performance audits will ensure funds are only spent on voter-approved projects, not for employee salaries.

As taxpayers, we know it is crucial to have high quality local public schools with adequate facilities and oversight. Join parents, teachers, local businesses, and community leaders; vote yes on Center Unified School District Measure "N"!

Janet R. Rutledge, Long-time Local Educator
Matthew L. Friedman, School Board President
Stephen J. Donnelly, Parent
Dolores A. Serna, Grandparent
Dominic Mecklenburg, Store Manager, Umpqua Bank

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE N

Measure N is an unnecessary, poorly-timed, and ill-defined TAX INCREASE. With interest, it will cost local taxpayers in this small district over one billion dollars to repay this bond! Children in school now will be paying for this bond after their own children have grown up and graduated!

The Center Unified School District is already well-funded and they have not even been able to spend the bond funds that voters have previously authorized.

The student population is DECLINING in this District and the high-paid bond consultants know it! They talk about the need to "prevent student overcrowding" but there are over one thousand empty seats in existing classrooms. Fewer students should cost less, not more!

New development should pay for itself. This bond is a tax increase for ALL property owners in the District, not just new developments that need new schools. It is fundamentally unfair to send the bill to existing homeowners when wealthy developers make their money and leave town. Taxpayers should not stand for

it. In Roseville, the developers actually paid to build new schools. We should demand equal treatment.

Measure N is a blank check for a well-funded District that doesn't need the money. If circumstances change, a new bond can be drafted to build new schools in the new neighborhoods that actually need them, without forcing existing homeowners to subsidize far-off developments that do not benefit them in any way.

Only your NO vote can stop this unfair tax increase!

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President California Taxpayer Protection Committee
Ken Payne, President of the Sacramento County Taxpayers League
Lewis K. Uhler, President, National Tax Limitation Committee
George E. Park Jr., President, Placer County Rep. Assembly

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE N

The last thing that Center Unified School District needs is higher taxes and more debt. This massive \$500 million dollar bond will cost over \$1 billion to pay back with interest. That's almost \$200,000 for each student in the District!

This District has not even been able to issue all the bond funds that voters previously approved because they cannot afford it. Now they want approval to borrow even more? This is financially irresponsible! Today's schoolchildren will still be paying for this bond long after their own children have graduated!

This bond will force Placer County taxpayers to pay for school improvements in Sacramento County. Instead of having developers pay to build new schools in Placer Vineyards and other new communities, the District is using hypothetical Placer County development as an excuse to raise taxes for school improvements in Antelope. No wonder the District has refused to provide details about how and where the bond money will be spent!

Make no mistake, Center Unified has not been starved for funds. The District has enjoyed years of record-breaking property tax revenue growth. California

schools now spend around \$12,000 per student per year (\$420,000 for a classroom of 35 students!) but even this unbelievably generous funding is not enough to satisfy school administrators and union bosses.

The proponents claim this tax increase is necessary for future growth, but the student population has been declining for years. Fewer students cost less, not more!

When the student population stops declining and begins to grow, there will be plenty of time to approve funding for specific new schools in the neighborhoods where they are actually needed. Until then, voters should not give this District a blank check for \$1 billion in new taxes.

Please vote no on Measure N.

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President, California Taxpayer Protection Committee
Jerry Simmons, Former President Sierra College Board
Phil Ozenick, Former Placer County Supervisor District One

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE N

Center schools are among the best in the Sacramento area. We need Measure N to protect our investment in our schools and maintain our commitment to high quality education.

Measure N funds will be used to maintain our schools at a high quality for years to come. Every existing school will receive repairs and upgrades, including improved health, safety and access to computers and modern technology.

We are proud to have eliminated student overcrowding and improved our schools. We have accomplished this without imposing costly "Mello-Roos" taxes that detract from home values. We need future homeowners to join us in paying their fair share to build new schools, prevent overcrowding and improve the quality of our education--without raising our existing taxes. Measure N will ensure that new residents will substantially contribute to the cost of building new schools as well as continually upgrading existing facilities. YES on Measure N will ensure we have the schools to provide an excellent education for our children now and in the future.

Measure N requires an independent citizens' oversight committee and annual audits to ensure money is used only for voter approved school improvements and repairs and not used for salaries, administration, and overhead.

Measure N benefits everyone because building new schools improves property values and maintains the desirability of our community. Adequate school facilities are the key to opportunities and a better life. We need to continue to maintain our schools and build new ones for growth.

Vote YES on Measure N!

Janet Rutledge, Long-time Local Educator
Dolores A. Serna, Grandparent
Matthew L. Friedman, School Board President
Stephen Donnelly, Parent
Dominic Mecklenburg, Store Manager, Umpqua Bank

RESOLUTION NO. 23/2007-08

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CENTER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ORDERING AN ELECTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF SCHOOL BONDS, ESTABLISHING SPECIFICATIONS OF THE ELECTION ORDER, AND REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION WITH ANY OTHER ELECTIONS OCCURRING ON NOVEMBER 4, 2008

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Center Unified School District (the "District"), it is advisable to call an election to submit to the electors of the District the question of whether bonds of the District shall be issued and sold for the purpose of raising money for the improvement, upgrade, and renovation of the District's existing facilities and paying costs incident thereto; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the approval of Proposition 39 on November 7, 2000, Article XIII A, Section 1, paragraph (b) of the California Constitution ("Article XIII A") provides an exception to the limit on ad valorem property taxes on real property for bonded indebtedness incurred by a school district that has been approved by fifty-five percent (55%) of the voters of the District voting on the proposition; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Education Code ("Education Code") Section 15264 et seq. (the "Act"), this Board is specifically authorized, upon approval by two-thirds (2/3) of the Board, to submit to the electorate of the District the question of whether bonds of the District shall be issued and sold for specified purposes, upon a fifty-five percent (55%) vote of the electorate in favor on the question, pursuant to paragraph (3) of said subdivision (b) of Section 1 of Article XIII A and subdivision (b) of Section 18 of Article XVI of the California Constitution; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Elections Code ("Elections Code") Section 10403 et seq., it is appropriate for the Board to request consolidation of the election with any and all other elections to be held on November 4, 2008, and to request the County of Sacramento Registrar of Voters and the Placer County Registrar of Voters (collectively, the "Registrars of Voters") to perform certain election services for the District; and

WHEREAS, the District shall use its best efforts to construct all new schools in the District to achieve, when functionally, technologically and economically feasible, the following objectives: (i) renewable sources of energy as their primary source of power; (ii) environmentally-sound building materials; (iii) irrigation and drainage systems that optimize water use efficiency and reuse; (iv) landscaping materials and vegetation that optimizes water use and native plant species; and (v) site designs that facilitate and accommodate access by bicycles and

pedestrians (collectively, the "Environmental Objectives").

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF THE DISTRICT HEREBY RESOLVES, DETERMINES, AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Call for Election. The Board hereby orders an election and submits to the electors of the District the question of whether general obligation bonds of the District (the "Bonds") shall be issued and sold in one or more series from time to time in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$500,000,000 for the purpose of raising money for improvement, upgrade, and renovation of the District's existing facilities and paying costs incident thereto, as set forth more fully in a ballot proposition approved pursuant to Section 4 below.

Section 2. Order of Election. That this Resolution shall stand as the order to the Registrars of Voters to call an election within the boundaries of the District on November 4, 2008. The Registrars of Voters are hereby requested, pursuant to Section 5322 of the Education Code, to take all steps to call and hold the election in accordance with law and these specifications.

Section 3. Election Date. The date of the election shall be November 4, 2008, and the election shall be held solely within the boundaries of the District.

Section 4. Purpose of Election; Ballot Proposition. The purpose of the election shall be for the voters of the District to vote on a proposition, a full copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, containing the question of whether the District shall issue the Bonds for the purposes stated therein, together with the accountability requirements of Article XIII A and the requirements of Section 15272 of the Act. The Registrars of Voters are hereby requested to reprint Exhibit A hereof in its entirety in the voter information pamphlet to be distributed to voters. As required by Elections Code Section 13247, the abbreviated form of the measure to appear on the ballot is attached hereto as Exhibit B. The District's Superintendent (or his or her designee) is hereby authorized and directed to make any changes to the text of the proposition or its abbreviated form as required to comply with the intent of this Resolution, the requirements of elections officials, and requirements of law.

Section 5. The Bonds. That the maturity of any bonds issued pursuant hereto shall have a maturity not exceeding the maximum maturity permitted by law and shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed 12% per annum.

**MEASURE N RESOLUTION
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Section 6. Authority for Election. The authority for ordering the election is contained in the Act and Article XIII A, Section 1, paragraph (b), subsection (3) of the California Constitution. The authority for the specification of this election order is contained in Education Code Section 5322.

Section 7. School Facilities Projects. A list of the specific school facilities projects to be funded from the proceeds of the bonds is set forth in Exhibit A. As required by Article XIII A, the Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class-size reduction, and information technology needs of the District in developing the list of school facilities projects set forth in Exhibit A.

Section 8. The Environmental Objectives. The District shall use its best efforts to achieve the Environmental Objectives when functionally, technologically and economically feasible; provided, however, that the inability of the District to achieve an Environmental Objective will not affect the validity of the bonds or a project undertaken with proceeds of the bonds.

Section 9. Covenants of the Board Upon Approval of the Bonds by the Electorate. As required by Article XIII A and Section 15270 of the Act, if fifty-five percent (55%) of the voters of the District voting on the measure approve of the bonds, the Board shall:

(a) Use the bond proceeds only for the purposes of construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, as specifically set forth in Exhibit A, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses;

(b) Conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the projects listed in Exhibit A;

(c) Conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for school facilities projects listed in Exhibit A; and

(d) Establish and appoint members to an independent citizens' oversight committee in accordance with Sections 15278, 15280, and 15282 of the Act.

Section 10. Delivery of this Resolution. The Clerk of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to send or hand deliver a copy of this Resolution to the County of

Sacramento Superintendent of Schools, the County of Sacramento Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, the County of Placer Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and the Registrars of Voters no later August 7, 2008.

Section 11. Ballot Arguments; Tax Rate Statement. Any and all members of this Board are hereby authorized to act as an author of any ballot argument prepared in connection with the election, including a rebuttal argument. The Superintendent, President of the Board, or their designees, are hereby authorized to execute the Tax Rate Statement and any other required documents and to perform all acts necessary to place the bond measure on the ballot. The Tax Rate Statement shall be delivered to the Registrars of Voters on or before August 7, 2008.

Section 12. Consolidation of Election; Election Services.

(a) Pursuant to Section 15121 of the Education Code and Part 3 (commencing with Section 10400) of Division 10 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sacramento and the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer are requested to order consolidation of the school bond election ordered herein with such other elections as may be held on the same day in the same territory or in territory that is in part the same.

(b) Pursuant to Section 5303 of the Education Code and Section 10002 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors is requested to permit the Registrars of Voters, or other appropriate officials of the County of Sacramento and/or the County of Placer (collectively, the "Counties"), to render all services necessary in connection with the bond election including, but not limited to, publication of a Formal Notice of School Bond Election pursuant to Education Code 5363 and related law, the mailing of the sample ballot and tax rate statement (described in Section 9401 of the Elections Code), the opportunity to submit ballot arguments in connection with the bond election, the canvassing and certification of the returns of the election, and other ballot requirements pursuant to Elections Code Section 15123, for which services the District agrees to reimburse the County as required by law.

Section 13. Bond Counsel. That the Board hereby approves the retention of Nixon Peabody LLP as bond counsel in connection with the bond election and subsequent issuances of bonds.

Section 14. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**MEASURE N RESOLUTION
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ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED this 30th day of May, 2008.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CENTER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

By: Matthew L. Friedman
President

Attest:
By: Donald E. Wilson
Clerk of the Board

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO)

I, Dr. Kevin Jolly, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No.23/2007-08, which was duly adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Center Unified School District at meeting thereof held on the 30 day of May, 2008, and that it was so adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Anderson, Blenner, Friedman,
 Williams
NOES: none
ABSENT none
ABSTENTIONS: Wilson

By: Dr. Kevin J. Jolly
Secretary to the Board of Trustees

BOND PROJECT LIST

EXHIBIT A

INTRODUCTION

"To acquire, construct, and improve school facilities, including building new schools and classrooms to reduce student overcrowding, improving existing schools for greater energy efficiency and increased access to computers and technology, and qualify the District for approximately \$250,000,000 in State funds, shall the District issue up to \$500,000,000 in bonds at legal interest rates, with a citizens' oversight committee, annual audits, no money for administrator salaries, and provided funds cannot be transferred to the State?"

ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES

If the bonds are approved, the Board of Trustees will implement the following accountability measures in accordance with State law:

- (a) Use the proceeds from the sale of the bonds only for the purposes of construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, as specifically set forth in this Exhibit A, but not for any other purpose, including board member, administrator, teacher, or staff salaries or benefits or other school operating expenses;
- (b) Conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the projects listed in this Exhibit A;
- (c) Conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for school facilities projects listed in this Exhibit A; and
- (d) Establish and appoint members to an independent citizens' oversight committee to ensure the bonds

are used only for the projects listed in this Exhibit A.

SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED FROM BOND PROCEEDS

As required by the California Constitution, the proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, **and not for** any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses. All new schools constructed in the Center Unified School District will have, when functionally, technologically and economically feasible, the following:

- 1. Renewable sources of energy as their primary source of power;
- 2. Environmentally sound building materials;
- 3. Irrigation and drainage systems that optimize water use efficiency and reuse;
- 4. Landscaping materials and vegetation that optimizes water use and native plant species; and
- 5. Shall utilize site designs that facilitate and accommodate access by bicycles and pedestrians.

The Board of Trustees hereby certifies that it has evaluated the safety, class-size reduction, and information technology needs of the District in developing this list of school facilities projects:

- Build new schools, including high schools, middle schools, and elementary schools;
- Improve existing schools;
- Acquire leased facilities;
- Furnish and equip schools; and
- To the extent possible, the District will seek joint-use funding to build specific buildings for school and community use.

TAX RATE STATEMENT

An election will be held in the Center Unified School District (the "District") on November 4, 2008 to authorize the sale of up to \$500 million in bonds of the District to finance school facilities as described in the Measure. Principal and interest on the bonds will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the Elections Code of the State of California.

1. The best estimate of the tax which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is 0.923 cents per \$100 (\$9.23 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2012-13.
2. The best estimate of the tax which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the last series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is 6.000 cents per \$100 (\$60.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2035-36.
3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is 6.000 cents per \$100 (\$60.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.

Voters should note that the estimated tax rates are based on the *ASSESSED VALUE* of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls, *not* on the property's market value. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon the District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary from those presently estimated, due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on the need for construction funds and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

Dated: May 30, 2008

Dr. Kevin Jolly, Superintendent
Center Unified School District

MEASURE P

**PROPOSAL TO AUTHORIZE PLACER HILLS FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT TO EXCEED APPROPRIATIONS LIMITATION**

Shall the Placer Hills Fire Protection District be allowed to exceed its Appropriations Limitation for four years beginning July 1, 2008 in order to maintain the current level of life and fire safety services protecting the residents and property of the fire district?

YES _____

NO _____

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY PLACER COUNTY COUNSEL

The Placer Hills Fire Protection District currently receives revenue from property taxes and a special tax. If the special tax previously approved by the voters continues to be collected, then the district will collect proceeds of taxes in excess of the constitutionally authorized spending limitation for the four-year period beginning fiscal year 2008-2009.

Article 13A of the California Constitution, passed by the electorate in 1978 as Proposition 13, requires approval by the electorate to levy special taxes. The district has obtained such approval and currently levies a special tax. If such taxes are collected, Article 13B requires a majority vote by the electorate to spend any such revenues in excess of the district appropriations limit. This raising of the appropriations limitation on spending is limited to a maximum of four years from the date of the most recent vote creating or continuing such change. Since the special tax being collected will cause the level of revenue to exceed the appropriations limit, this voter approval is necessary to spend such excess revenue.

A "Yes" vote is a vote to authorize an increase in the appropriations limit for the four (4) year period starting in fiscal year 2008-2009, in order that the district may spend revenue raised in excess of its appropriations limit.

A "No" vote will prohibit the District from spending revenues that exceed its appropriations limit.

This analysis is submitted by the Office of the County Counsel of Placer County, pursuant to the requirements of Section 9313 of the Elections Code of the State of California.

Anthony J. La Bouff
County Counsel

By: Brian R. Wirtz
Deputy County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE P

MEASURE P DOES NOT INCREASE YOUR PROPERTY TAXES.

It simply allows Placer Hills Fire District to spend the funds already allocated to this fire district from existing property taxes. The State requires your approval to keep these fire taxes in your district otherwise they will be distributed to other areas of the State.

A YES vote on Measure P directs these funds to Placer Hills Fire District.

A no vote on Measure P allows the State to direct the funds to other places.

Please continue your support for your fire department and vote **YES** on **MEASURE P**. Keep your already allotted fire taxes in your district and maintain the emergency services that you already have.

Greg Guyan, Director
Kelly Fulfer, Director
Jerry Johnson, Director
Eric Vereyken, Director
Richard Rogers, Director

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE P

Measure P allows the Placer Hills Fire Protection District to spend tax revenues in excess of the Constitutional limits that voters approved by 74% in 1979 as Proposition 4 (the "Gann Limit"). The Gann Limit allows spending to increase according to the cost of living and population growth. Even though this formula has permitted enormous spending growth in this District, there can never be enough money to satisfy some politicians. Measure P allows them to spend more than ever before, without regard to the quality of the services provided and without consideration for competing needs for our tax dollars.

Like other local districts, the Placer Hills Fire Protection District was designed for volunteer firefighters who would only be paid when actually called upon in emergencies. The District's current policies favor full-time, unionized employees who must be paid year-round, whether they are needed or not. As a result, the

District claims it cannot afford to live within the spending restrictions that apply to virtually every other local government. This should come as no surprise! Voters need to send a message to get the District to change its policies and live within Constitutional spending limits.

If Measure P is defeated, excess tax revenues need not be transferred to the State. They may be returned to taxpayers in the form of tax rate reductions (imagine that!) or re-directed to more critical local needs. The world will not end – but there might be some changes for the better!

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President California Taxpayer Protection Committee
George E Park Jr., President, Placer County Rep. Assembly

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE P

Fire Protection is a priority and our brave firefighters deserve our support, but Measure P is the wrong answer.

The Gann Limit is a very reasonable constitutional limit on local spending that allows spending to increase according to population growth and inflation. We need to protect taxpayers by demanding that the District live within this generous, ever-increasing spending limit. Experience has taught us that politicians will always want to spend more. Voters need to restrain the politicians and the Gann Limit has served that purpose very well. Voting no on Measure P will force the district to stay within this reasonable limit.

In 1993 voters approved a half-cent sales tax increase known as Proposition 172, which we were promised would pay for firefighting and police protection. District residents have been paying this tax for fifteen years, but none of this tax money is being spent on firefighting in the Placer Hills Fire Protection District! Before approving increased spending above the Gann Limit, we need to demand that our politicians keep their

promises and spend some of the Proposition 172 funds on firefighting in this District.

This District was originally designed and financed for volunteer firefighters, to be led by a very small professional staff. These brave volunteers get paid when they're called up for emergencies, but they hold other jobs and they do not require full-time government salaries in the "off season." Unfortunately, this District has become hostile to volunteers and (intentionally or otherwise) they have favored of unionized, full-time employees. Now they claim they cannot afford to live within the Gann Limit. Instead of raising the limit, we should demand that the District welcome back the volunteers and fully incorporate them into all of their activities, as they did before.

Please **VOTE NO** on Measure P.

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President, California Taxpayer Protection Committee

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE P

Placer Hills Fire Protection District's firefighters are NOT politicians wanting to spend your money. Measure P costs you nothing.

FACT: The Fire District tax base alone does not support needed funds to provide adequate fire and medical services to the area. In 2004 area voters widely approved a District Fire Assessment fee which enabled the District for the first time to staff both the Weimar and Meadow Vista Fire Stations that provide quick and reliable fire and medical protection in the District. Placer Hills Fire District needs your approval to maintain these services!

FACT: Proposition 172 funds are distributed to general funded public safety agencies and not to the independent Placer Hills Fire Protection District.

FACT: Placer Hills Fire Protection District is one of the few fire departments who train and use

volunteers extensively. The staffed fire engines provide quick, initial response while available volunteers augment the response with additional equipment and personnel.

Measure P is **NOT** a new tax on the Fire District residents but merely a renewal of your permission to exceed the Gann Limit. Under the Gann Act this must be approved every four years.

MAINTAIN YOUR FIRE AND MEDICAL PROTECTION

VOTE YES ON MEASURE P

Wally Reemelin, President League of Placer County Taxpayers
Kelly Fulfer, Board Member
Richard D. Rogers, Board Member
Eric Vereyken, Board Member
Jerry Johnson, Board Member

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-04

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE PLACER HILLS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
CALLING FOR A MEASURE TO BE PLACED ON THE
NOVEMBER 4, 2008 GENERAL ELECTION TO
APPROVE THE PLACER HILLS FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT TO EXCEED ITS APPROPRIATIONS
LIMITATION FOR FOUR YEARS
BEGINNING JULY 1, 2008

Be it ordained by the Board of Directors of the Placer Hills Fire Protection District (hereinafter referred to as the "District") that:

1. The Board of Directors of said District finds and declares that it is necessary to exceed the District's Appropriations Limitation to provide a safe level of fire and life safety protection within the District.
2. Article 13B of the California Constitution requires a majority vote by the electorate to spend any tax revenue in excess of the District's Appropriations Limit.
3. Pursuant to the requirements of the Laws of the State of California relating to district elections, there shall be and there is hereby called, ordered and held in the Placer Hills Fire Protection District, County of Placer, on Tuesday, November 4, 2008, a general election of the qualified voters of the District for the purpose of submitting the following measure:

"Shall the Placer Hills Fire Protection District be allowed to exceed its Appropriations Limitation for four years beginning July 1, 2008 in order to maintain the current level of life and fire safety services protecting the residents and property of the fire district?"

4. Pursuant to Sections 10517 and 10519 of the Elections Code of the State of California, the Board of Directors of this District hereby requests the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer to authorize the County Clerk to render all services otherwise required for the election to be held on November 4, 2008.
5. The Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer is hereby authorized and directed to canvass the returns of the election and clarify the results of the election to the Board of Directors as required by law.
6. The District will further notice this election by posting a copy of this resolution on or near the door of the District Office at least two weeks prior to the time of the scheduled election.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Placer Hills Fire Protection District this Fourth Day of June 2008, by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Fulfer, Guyan, Johnson, Rogers, Vereyken

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 0

Greg Guyan, President

ATTEST: Eric Vereyken, Secretary/Treasurer

MEASURE M

PROPOSAL TO ISSUE BONDS FOR LOS RIOS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Shall the Los Rios Community College District be authorized to issue \$475 million in bonds at the lowest available interest rates to improve student academic performance by building classrooms, facilities and labs throughout the district including for teaching green technologies; nursing and health care programs; architecture, engineering and construction management; computer sciences; early childhood development; and fire and police public safety programs at the American River, Cosumnes River, El Dorado, Folsom, and Sacramento City College campuses?

BONDS YES _____

BONDS NO _____

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY SACRAMENTO COUNTY COUNSEL

If approved by the voters, Measure M would allow the Los Rios Community College District ("District") to incur bonded indebtedness up to a maximum amount of \$475 million. The proceeds from the issuance and sale of such general obligation bonds could only be used for the construction, reconstruction and/or rehabilitation of college facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of college facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for college facilities.

No funds derived from bond sales could be used for general college operating expenses, including administrator and teacher salaries, or for any purpose or project other than those expressly stated in the measure. Measure M lists the school facility improvement projects for all of the District's college campuses, which include American River, Cosumnes River, Folsom Lake and Sacramento City Colleges.

To assure that funds are spent only on school and classroom improvements and for no other purposes, this measure would require the District to: 1) deposit all bond sale funds into a specially created building fund account; 2) prepare an annual report on the amount of funds

collected and expended and the status of any project required or authorized to be funded; 3) appoint a citizen's oversight committee; and 4) conduct annual independent performance and financial audits.

If Measure M is passed, the actual dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold would be governed by the District. The bonds may be issued in series by the District from time to time, and each series of bonds may not mature more than forty years from their date of issuance. If Measure M is approved, the tax rates necessary for payment of principal and interest on any bonds sold will be largely dictated by the timing of the bond sales, the amount sold at a given sale, market interest rates at the time of each sale (although in no event greater than the maximum bond net interest rate allowed by law), as well as actual assessed valuation of taxable property in the District over the term of repayment.

Passage of Measure M requires approval by fifty-five percent of the voters voting thereon.

EDUCATION CODE 15122.5(b) "Approval of Measure M does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Los Rios Community College District that are the subject of bonds under Measure M will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure M. The district's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure."

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE M

The four-county Sacramento region depends on the Los Rios Community Colleges for their essential role in education, providing career and vocational training to thousands of local residents and preparing students for four-year colleges and universities.

Today, 85,000 students attend classes at Sacramento City, American River, Cosumnes River and Folsom Lake Community Colleges and their centers in Natomas, Davis, West Sacramento, Placerville and Rancho Cordova. Within 8 years, that enrollment will grow to 120,000.

Whether seeking a university degree or job training in fields such as nursing, fire-fighting and law enforcement, the students of the Los Rios Community College District will face major obstacles – overcrowding, inadequate equipment, a shortage of classrooms and aging facilities.

Measure M will build new classrooms and allow the District to expand course offerings. It will repair and renovate old and outdated classrooms.

Measure M will build high-tech facilities to provide up-to-date academic and vocational courses such as green technology, computer science, electronics and business.

Measure M will expand and upgrade infrastructure fire and security systems, and libraries. It will improve access for disabled students.

Measure M will provide classroom computers and prepare our students to compete in the 21st century job market.

Measure M makes financial sense. If classrooms are not repaired and expanded now, it will only cost more in the future. Funds can only be used to improve our colleges – not to pay for administrative salaries.

Measure M will protect taxpayers. While Los Rios has a well-deserved reputation for sound financial management, an independent citizens' oversight committee will audit all expenditures.

In the face of national and local economic uncertainty, Measure M is an investment in a brighter future for thousands of our citizens. Keep Los Rios Community College District among the top community college systems in the state. Vote YES on Measure M.

Matt Kelly, Executive Director
Gayle Garbolino-Mojica, Placer County Superintendent
Brice Harris, Chancellor
Howard Lawrence, Member, Committee For Workforce Training

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE M

Measure M is a billion-dollar TAX INCREASE that property owners will be paying for decades and decades, long after the "high-tech facilities" promised by the bond promoters have worn out and need to be repaired again. If this bond passes, future taxpayers will be forced to pay for future repairs and renovations while they are still paying off this irresponsible debt.

Students should pay, too, not just homeowners! A college education is a very valuable thing to the students who earn it, but the District is not asking students to pay a penny more for these new facilities. Is that fair? If additional funding is really necessary, students should bear some of the cost. Taxpayers have been extraordinarily generous in funding our local community colleges to the point that our local college tuition is now the lowest in America. Enough is enough!

The high-paid bond promoters always talk about the need for vocational training, but taxpayers are being forced

to subsidize college courses in golf, Polynesian dance, wine-making, and many interesting hobbies. (See for yourself! Check the course catalogue at www.losrios.edu) Before raising taxes on homeowners who are struggling to make ends meet, the District needs to prioritize its spending and focus on critical needs. It makes no sense to borrow money for critical needs when the District is squandering existing revenues on frivolity and generous compensation for administrators.

Please send a message. Vote NO on Measure M.

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President, California Taxpayer Protection Committee
Ken Payne, President of the Sacramento County Taxpayers League
Lewis K. Uhler, President, National Tax Limitation Committee
George E Park Jr., President, Placer County Rep. Assembly

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE M

This measure to increase our taxes is poorly timed and threatens to increase the strain on hard working middle class families that are struggling just to hold onto their homes and put gas in their cars. With interest, the taxpayers of this District will be paying approximately \$1 billion for this wish list.

Although the text of the ballot measure claims that student achievement will be improved through better facilities, this point is far from accurate. High quality teachers and instructional support staff are the ones who improve the quality of education for students in the District. Neighboring Sierra College has not passed a bond measure to upgrade its Rocklin campus since it was built decades ago. Yet it's recognized for the high numbers of degrees that it awards and high percentage of students that it transfers to four-year colleges and universities. They have succeeded without a bond.

Furthermore, this District passed a sizable bond measure just a few years ago. The community already has voted to increase its taxes once, and there is no need to do so again right now.

The District does not have a revenue problem, it has a spending problem. Despite a massive increase in per pupil State funding to the Los Rios District in recent years, the District has chosen not to address the issues contained on its wish list. Instead, these new revenues have largely been spent to increase salaries of college employees. If the District feels that these facilities improvements are truly vital to the quality of the educational program, they should redirect these new revenues into facilities. The District is simply not setting priorities for how it should spend its plentiful resources.

Please join us in voting no on Measure M. We simply can't afford another tax increase right now.

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President, California Taxpayer Protection Committee
Jerry Simmons, Former President Sierra College Board
Phil Ozenick, Former Placer County Supervisor District One

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE M

Los Rios Community Colleges prepare thousands of students each year for jobs and careers throughout the region, many forced to transition to new jobs in tough economic times. Sadly, these students are facing overcrowded, aging facilities that cannot meet the demands of a rapidly growing region.

Mandatory annual audits by an independent Citizens Oversight Committee show Los Rios has always delivered on its promises, updating older facilities and expanding to reach new populations in Folsom, Elk Grove, Yolo County and El Dorado County.

With enrollment at all-time highs, however, Measure M is essential if we are to sustain economic growth and provide critical training for thousands. Los Rios is the area's largest educator of nurses, dental hygienists, police officers, fire fighters, licensed child care providers, computer programmers, electricians and many others. Without Measure M we could be forced to turn away students and won't be able to deliver the workforce this region so desperately needs.

Measure M funds can only be used to repair or expand facilities – not for administrative or teachers' salaries.

It will increase campus safety – a critical consideration today – with security lighting, intrusion and fire alarms and structural repairs. Measure M creates jobs for local workers who will modernize and construct new facilities.

Please join your friends and neighbors: support our community colleges – American River, Sacramento City, Cosumnes River, Folsom Lake and centers in Davis, Elk Grove, West Sacramento, Rancho Cordova, Natomas and El Dorado County.

Vote Yes on Measure M!

Jeremy G. Bernau, Member Los Rio Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee
Matthew R. Mahood, President & CEO, Sacramento Metro Chamber
Gayle Garbolino-Mojica, County Superintendent of Schools
Howard Lawrence, Member Committee For Workforce Training
Brice W. Harris, Chancellor, Los Rios Community Colleges

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-07

ORDERING AN ELECTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, ESTABLISHING SPECIFICATIONS OF THE ELECTION ORDER, AND REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION WITH OTHER ELECTIONS OCCURRING ON NOVEMBER 4, 2008

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of the Los Rios Community College District (the "District"), it is advisable to call an election to submit to the electors of the District the question whether bonds of the District shall be issued and sold for the purpose of raising money for the acquisition and improvement of real property and the furnishing, building and equipping of educational facilities of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board is authorized to pursue the authorization and issuance of bonds by a 55% vote of the electorate on the question whether bonds of the District shall be issued and sold for specified purposes, under Article XIII A Section 1 paragraph (b) of the California Constitution ("Article XIII A") and under Education Code Section 15264 *et seq.* (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, under Section 10403 *et seq.* of the California Elections Code, it is appropriate for the Board to request consolidation of the election with any and all other elections to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2008, and to request the Sacramento County Registrar of Voters to perform certain election services for the District;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LOS RIOS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Call for Election. The Board hereby orders an election and submits to the electors of the District the question of whether general obligation bonds of the District shall be issued and sold in the maximum principal amount of \$475 million for the purpose of raising money to finance educational facilities and property of the District, and paying costs incident thereto, as set forth more fully in the ballot measure approved under Section 3. This Resolution constitutes the order of the District to call such election.

Section 2. Election Date. The date of the election shall be November 4, 2008, and the election shall be held solely within the boundaries of the District.

Section 3. Purpose of Election; Ballot Measure. The purpose of the election shall be for the voters in the District to vote on a measure, a full copy of which is attached hereto as Appendix A, containing the question of whether the District shall issue the Bonds for the purposes stated therein, together with the accountability

requirements of Article XIII A and the requirements of Section 15272 of the Act. As required by Elections Code Section 13247, the abbreviated form of the measure to appear on the ballot is attached hereto as Appendix B. The Chancellor is hereby authorized and directed to make any changes to the text of the measure as required to conform to any requirements of Article XIII A, the Act or the Sacramento County Registrar of Voters.

Section 4. Authority for Election. The authority for ordering the election is contained in Section 15264 *et seq.* of the Education Code and Section 1 paragraph (b) subsection (3) of Article XIII A. The authority for the specification of this election order is contained in Section 5322 of the Education Code.

Section 5. College Facilities Projects. As required by Article XIII A, the Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size and information technology needs in developing the list of college facilities projects set forth in Appendix A.

Section 6. Covenants of the Board upon Approval of the Bonds by the Electorate. As required by Article XIII and Section 15278 of the Act, in the event 55 percent or more of the voters voting in the District approve of the Bonds, the Board shall:

- (a) Conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the funds have been expended only on the projects listed in Appendix A;
- (b) Conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for the projects listed in Appendix A; and
- (c) Establish and appoint members to an independent citizens' oversight committee in accordance with Sections 15278, 15280, and 15282 of the Act.

Section 7. Delivery of this Resolution. The Clerk of the Board is hereby directed to send a copy of this Resolution to the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools, the Sacramento County Registrar of Voters (the "County Registrar") and the Sacramento County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors. The County Registrar is hereby requested to print the full text of the ballot measure in the ballot materials and to publish the Notice of Bond Election in a newspaper of general circulation within the District.

**MEASURE M RESOLUTION
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Section 8. State Matching Funds. The District hereby requests that the County Registrar include the following statement in the ballot pamphlet, pursuant to Section 15122.5 of the Education Code:

"Approval of Measure M does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Los Rios Community College District that are the subject of bonds under Measure M will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure M. The District's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure."

Section 9. Consolidation of Election; Request to Provide Services. The County Registrar and the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors are hereby requested to consolidate the election ordered hereby with any and all other elections to be held on November 4, 2008, within the District. Pursuant to Section 5303 of the Education Code and Section 10002 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of Sacramento County is requested to permit the County Registrar to render all services specified by Section 10418 of the Elections Code relating to the election, for which services the District agrees to reimburse Sacramento County in full upon presentation of a bill, such services to include the publication of a formal Notice of Bond Election and the mailing of the sample ballot and tax rate statement (described in Section 9401 of the Elections Code).

Section 10. Ballot Arguments; Tax Rate Statement. Any and all members of this Board are hereby authorized to act as an author of any ballot argument prepared in connection with the election, including a rebuttal argument. The President of the Board, the Chancellor, the Deputy Chancellor or any designee of the foregoing, are hereby authorized to execute any Tax Rate Statement or other document and to perform all acts necessary to place the bond measure on the ballot.

Section 11. Accountability Measures. As required by Section 53410 of the Government Code, a statement in substantially the following form shall be included on the ballot for the Bonds, and the Board covenants to comply with the reporting requirements contained in Section 53411 of the Government Code:

Accountability Measures

As required by Section 53410 of the Government Code, the following accountability measures are hereby made a part of the District's Bond Measure M (the "Measure"):

- (a) The specific purpose of the bonds is set forth in the Full Text of the Measure;
- (b) The proceeds from the sale of the District's bonds will be used only for the purposes specified in the Measure, and not for any other purpose;
- (c) The proceeds of the Bonds will be deposited into a Building Fund to be held by the Sacramento County Treasurer, as required by the California Education Code; and
- (d) The Chancellor of the District shall cause an annual report to be filed with the Board of Trustees of the District not later than January 1 of each year, which report shall contain pertinent information regarding the amount of funds collected and expended, as well as the status of the projects listed in the Measure, as required by Sections 53410 and 53411 of the Government Code.

Section 12. Maturity Limit of Bonds. The Bonds may be issued in series by the District from time to time, and each series of Bonds shall mature not more than 40 years from the date of issuance thereof. The Bonds shall be issued under the Act, under the provisions of Section 53506 of the California Government Code, or under any other provision of law authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds by community college districts.

Section 13. Engagement of Professional Services. The Board hereby approves the engagement of the firm of Jones Hall, A Professional Law Corporation, to serve as bond counsel to the District, and the firm of Dale Scott & Company Inc. to act as financial advisor to the District, in connection with the election proceedings and the issuance of the Bonds. Fees payable to such firms shall be contingent upon the successful passage of the bond measure and the issuance and sale of the Bonds. The Deputy Chancellor of the District is hereby authorized and directed to execute the agreement between each of said firms and the District, in the form on file with the Deputy Chancellor.

Section 14. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect on and after its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED as Los Rios Community College District Resolution № 2008-07 by the following vote this 16th Day of July, 2008.

Ayes:	7
Noes:	0
Absent:	0

Attest:

Ann Blackwood, Board President
Brice W. Harris, Chancellor and Board Secretary

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**MEASURE M RESOLUTION
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**APPENDIX A
BALLOT MEASURE
FULL TEXT**

"Shall the Los Rios Community College District be authorized to issue \$475 million in bonds at the lowest available interest rates to improve student academic performance by building classrooms, facilities and labs throughout the district including for teaching green technologies; nursing and health care programs; architecture, engineering and construction management; computer sciences; early childhood development; and fire and police public safety programs at the American River, Cosumnes River, El Dorado, Folsom, and Sacramento City College campuses?"

Bonds—Yes

Bonds—No

BOND AUTHORIZATION

By approval of this measure by at least 55 percent of the registered voters voting on the measure, the Los Rios Community College District will be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$475 million in aggregated principal at interest rates below the legal limit and to provide financing for the specific projects listed in the Bond Project List described below, subject to all the accountability requirements specified below.

ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS

The provisions in this section are specifically included in this measure in order that the voters and taxpayers in the District may be assured that their money will be spent wisely. Expenditures to address specific facilities needs of the District will be in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3), of the

State Constitution and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Education Code Sections 15264 and following.)

Evaluation of Needs. The Board of Trustees of the District has identified detailed facilities needs of the District and has determined which projects to finance from a local bond at this time. The Board of Trustees hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction, enrollment growth, and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List shown below.

Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee. The Board of Trustees shall establish an Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee under Education Code Section 15278 and following to ensure bond proceeds are expended only on the projects listed below. The committee will be established within 60 days of the date when the results of the election appear in the minutes of the Board of Trustees.

Performance Audits. The Board of Trustees shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the projects listed below.

Financial Audits. The Board of Trustees shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent for the projects listed below.

FURTHER SPECIFICATIONS

No Administrator Salaries. Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction and/or rehabilitation of college facilities including the furnishing and equipping of college facilities or acquisition or lease of real property for college facilities and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other operating expenses.

BOND PROJECT LIST

The Bond Project List shown below is a part of the ballot measure and must be reproduced in any official document required to contain the full statement of the bond measure.

Evaluation of Needs. As required by Article XIII A of the California Constitution, the Board of Trustee of the District has certified that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the list of projects shown below.

Projects Subject to Available Funding. The following list of projects is subject to the availability of adequate funding to the District. Approval of the bond measure does not guarantee that the proposed projects in the District that are the subject of bonds under the measure will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by the bond measure. The District's proposal for the

projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.

Scope of Projects. Bond proceeds will be expended to modernize, replace, renovate, construct, equip, furnish, rebuild and otherwise improve District facilities as described below. The specific projects which are described below include all related and incidental costs, including costs of design, engineering, architect and other professional services, site preparation, utilities, landscaping and other incidental costs, and construction management. Bond proceeds may also be expended to acquire real property for future educational facilities and to acquire and install furniture,

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fixtures and equipment at any classrooms and other facilities of the District. The District may alter the scope and nature of any of the specific projects, which are described below as required by conditions that arise during the course of design and construction, including unforeseen conditions such as dry rot, mold and faulty engineering.

DISTRICT-WIDE IMPROVEMENTS

Bond proceeds may be spent to improve any District facilities located at any campus, as needed for any of the following purposes, depending upon the age, condition and needs of each particular facility:

- Upgrade electrical, communication, computer, fire alarm, and similar building systems as well as main power service and distribution, which may include active and passive solar power and heating system acquisition, installation and construction
- Replace, repair or upgrade plumbing, piping and drainage systems, including water supply, meters, water heating, and wastewater systems, plumbing fixtures and sinks, etc., within buildings and sites and to connect with city supply and drainage systems
- Replace or modify aging heating, ventilation and air cooling systems with energy-efficient heating and air cooling systems (HVAC), including installing energy management systems (EMS)
- Replace, modify, upgrade interior lighting and exterior safety and security lighting systems and fixtures, as necessary
- Repair, modify and construct structural elements of existing structures as necessary
- Replace or repair aging roofs
- Upgrade, modify and construct restroom facilities throughout the District
- Comply, as necessary, with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Construct, repair, and renovate roadways, walkways, grounds, parking lots and make entrance improvements including signage for safety and public information
- Develop and implement the facilities master plans and related requirements such as environmental impact reports and soils testing

To improve the overall educational experience for students in the District, renovation, modernization, upgrades and major repairs will take place at existing District college sites and facilities, including but not limited to the following projects at the following locations:

AMERICAN RIVER COLLEGE

- Construct Additional Classrooms and Student Service Facilities at American River College and Natomas Educational Center

- Modernize and/or Replace Classrooms at Davies Hall
- Modernize and Expand the Public Safety Center
- Construct a New Culinary Arts Building
- Modernize and/or Replace, and Expand the Student Center
- Expand the Student Services Facilities
- Modernize and Expand the Existing Bookstore and Cafeteria Space
- Make Improvements to the Physical Education Facilities and Athletic Fields
- Make Infrastructure Improvements Throughout the Campus
- Provide New Parking Facilities and Make Needed Parking Improvements at American River College and Natomas Educational Center
- Modernize the Administration Building

COSUMNES RIVER COLLEGE

- Construct Additional Classrooms and Student Service Facilities at Cosumnes River College and Elk Grove Educational Center
- Expand Library Facilities
- Construct a Facility for the Architecture and Construction Management Program
- Provide New Instructional Space
- Modernize and Expand the Student Center Facilities
- Expand the Fine Arts Facilities
- Construct a New Gymnasium
- Improve and expand Physical Education Facilities and Athletic Fields
- Make Infrastructure Improvements Throughout the Campus
- Provide New Parking Facilities and Make Needed Parking Improvements at Cosumnes River College and Elk Grove Educational Center

FOLSOM LAKE COLLEGE

- Construct Additional Classrooms and Student Service Facilities at Folsom Lake College and Rancho Cordova Educational Center
- Provide New Instructional Space
- Expand existing Library Facilities
- Provide New Child Development Center
- Improve and expand Physical Education Facilities and Athletic Fields
- Make Infrastructure Improvements at Folsom Lake College and El Dorado Educational Center
- Provide New Parking Facilities and Make Needed Parking Improvements at Folsom Lake College and Rancho Cordova Educational Center

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SACRAMENTO CITY COLLEGE

- Construct Additional Classrooms and Student Service Facilities at Sacramento City College, West Sacramento Educational Center, and Davis Educational Center
- Modernize and/or Replace Classrooms at Lusk Building
- Modernize and/or Replace Classrooms at Lillard Hall, Including Those Which House the Sciences, Nursing, and Health Care Support Courses
- Provide New Instructional Space, Including Space for Green Technology Training
- Modernize the Administration of Justice Facility

- Provide a New Bookstore and Cafeteria Space
- Provide a New Bookstore and Cafeteria Space
- Modernize Hughes Stadium
- Make Infrastructure Improvements Throughout the Campus
- Provide New Parking Facilities and Make Needed Parking Improvements at Sacramento City College, West Sacramento Educational Center, and Davis Educational Center

DISTRICT OFFICE COMPLEX

- Construct or replace the Economic Development Center
- Modernize and Expand the District Office and make Infrastructure Improvements

TAX RATE STATEMENT

An election will be held in the Los Rios Community College District (the "District") on November 4, 2008 to authorize the sale of \$475,000,000 in general obligation bonds. The following information is submitted in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the California Elections Code.

1. The best estimate of the tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$.00909 per \$100 (\$9.09 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2011-12.
2. The best estimate of the tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the last series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$.00909 per \$100 (\$9.09 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2019-20.
3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, is \$.00909 per \$100 (\$9.09 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.

4. The best estimate of the average tax rate required to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$.00909 per \$100 (\$9.09 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.

These estimates are based on projections derived from information obtained from official sources. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary depending on the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold at each sale and actual increases in assessed valuations. The timing of the bond sales and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the needs of the District. Actual assessed valuations will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined in the assessment and the equalization process.

Dated: July 17, 2008

Jon Sharpe
Deputy Chancellor
Los Rios Community College District

MEASURE N

PROPOSAL TO ISSUE BONDS FOR THE CENTER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

To acquire, construct, and improve school facilities, including building new schools and classrooms to reduce student overcrowding, improving existing schools for greater energy efficiency and increased access to computers and technology, and qualify the District for approximately \$250,000,000 in State funds, shall the District issue up to \$500,000,000 in bonds at legal interest rates, with a citizens' oversight committee, annual audits, no money for administrator salaries, and provided funds cannot be transferred to the State?

BONDS YES _____

BONDS NO _____

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY SACRAMENTO COUNTY COUNSEL

Measure N, if approved by the voters, would allow the Center Unified School District ("District") to incur bonded indebtedness up to a maximum amount of \$500 million. The proceeds from the issuance and sale of such general obligation bonds could only be used for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities.

No funds derived from bond sales may be used for general school operating expenses, including administrator and teacher salaries, or for any purpose or project other than those expressly stated in the measure. Measure N lists the school facility improvement projects within the District intended to be financed by bond sales.

To assure that funds are spent only as specified in the measure, Measure N requires: 1) the appointment of

a citizen's oversight committee and 2) completion of annual independent performance and financial audits.

If Measure N is passed, the actual dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold would be governed by the District based on the need for construction funds and other factors. If Measure N is approved, the tax rates necessary for payment of principal and interest on any bonds sold will be largely dictated by the timing of the bond sales, the amount sold at a given sale, market interest rates at the time of each sale (although in no event greater than the maximum bond interest rate allowed by law), as well as actual assessed valuation of taxable property in the District over the term of repayment.

Passage of Measure N requires approval by fifty-five percent of the voters voting thereon.

EDUCATION CODE 15122.5(b) "Approval of Measure N does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Center United School District that are the subject of bonds under Measure N will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure N. The district's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure."

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE N

Excellent school facilities in the Center Unified School District have been the key to opportunities and a better life. Seventeen years ago we passed a bond that allowed us to build and maintain quality schools. With that bond, the District has successfully leveraged over \$75,000,000 from the State to build local schools. Center schools are among the best in the Sacramento area.

Now, we need to plan for the next thirty years. Measure "N" will maintain a balance by building new schools and classrooms as they become necessary while enhancing existing schools to the same standard. If we do not build new schools, overcrowding will negatively impact the education and welfare of our children.

Measure "N" will maintain our current high quality schools. It will allow us to modernize all our existing schools to keep pace with the new schools being built.

Measure "N" makes financial sense. It will qualify the District for an additional \$250 million in State matching funds, improve property values and maintain the desirability of our community. It will provide safe and

energy-efficient schools. It will ensure new homeowners in the District pay their fair share for school improvements, as they will pay the same tax rate as current residents to maintain and improve schools.

Taxpayer safeguards will be in place. Measure "N" requires an independent citizens' oversight committee of parents, business leaders, senior citizens, and taxpayer advocates. Required annual financial and performance audits will ensure funds are only spent on voter-approved projects, not for employee salaries.

As taxpayers, we know it is crucial to have high quality local public schools with adequate facilities and oversight. Join parents, teachers, local businesses, and community leaders; vote yes on Center Unified School District Measure "N"!

Janet R. Rutledge, Long-time Local Educator
Matthew L. Friedman, School Board President
Stephen J. Donnelly, Parent
Dolores A. Serna, Grandparent
Dominic Mecklenburg, Store Manager, Umpqua Bank

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE N

Measure N is an unnecessary, poorly-timed, and ill-defined TAX INCREASE. With interest, it will cost local taxpayers in this small district over one billion dollars to repay this bond! Children in school now will be paying for this bond after their own children have grown up and graduated!

The Center Unified School District is already well-funded and they have not even been able to spend the bond funds that voters have previously authorized.

The student population is DECLINING in this District and the high-paid bond consultants know it! They talk about the need to "prevent student overcrowding" but there are over one thousand empty seats in existing classrooms. Fewer students should cost less, not more!

New development should pay for itself. This bond is a tax increase for ALL property owners in the District, not just new developments that need new schools. It is fundamentally unfair to send the bill to existing homeowners when wealthy developers make their money and leave town. Taxpayers should not stand for

it. In Roseville, the developers actually paid to build new schools. We should demand equal treatment.

Measure N is a blank check for a well-funded District that doesn't need the money. If circumstances change, a new bond can be drafted to build new schools in the new neighborhoods that actually need them, without forcing existing homeowners to subsidize far-off developments that do not benefit them in any way.

Only your NO vote can stop this unfair tax increase!

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President California Taxpayer Protection Committee
Ken Payne, President of the Sacramento County Taxpayers League
Lewis K. Uhler, President, National Tax Limitation Committee
George E. Park Jr., President, Placer County Rep. Assembly

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE N

The last thing that Center Unified School District needs is higher taxes and more debt. This massive \$500 million dollar bond will cost over \$1 billion to pay back with interest. That's almost \$200,000 for each student in the District!

This District has not even been able to issue all the bond funds that voters previously approved because they cannot afford it. Now they want approval to borrow even more? This is financially irresponsible! Today's schoolchildren will still be paying for this bond long after their own children have graduated!

This bond will force Placer County taxpayers to pay for school improvements in Sacramento County. Instead of having developers pay to build new schools in Placer Vineyards and other new communities, the District is using hypothetical Placer County development as an excuse to raise taxes for school improvements in Antelope. No wonder the District has refused to provide details about how and where the bond money will be spent!

Make no mistake, Center Unified has not been starved for funds. The District has enjoyed years of record-breaking property tax revenue growth. California

schools now spend around \$12,000 per student per year (\$420,000 for a classroom of 35 students!) but even this unbelievably generous funding is not enough to satisfy school administrators and union bosses.

The proponents claim this tax increase is necessary for future growth, but the student population has been declining for years. Fewer students cost less, not more!

When the student population stops declining and begins to grow, there will be plenty of time to approve funding for specific new schools in the neighborhoods where they are actually needed. Until then, voters should not give this District a blank check for \$1 billion in new taxes.

Please vote no on Measure N.

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President, California Taxpayer Protection Committee
Jerry Simmons, Former President Sierra College Board
Phil Ozenick, Former Placer County Supervisor District One

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE N

Center schools are among the best in the Sacramento area. We need Measure N to protect our investment in our schools and maintain our commitment to high quality education.

Measure N funds will be used to maintain our schools at a high quality for years to come. Every existing school will receive repairs and upgrades, including improved health, safety and access to computers and modern technology.

We are proud to have eliminated student overcrowding and improved our schools. We have accomplished this without imposing costly "Mello-Roos" taxes that detract from home values. We need future homeowners to join us in paying their fair share to build new schools, prevent overcrowding and improve the quality of our education--without raising our existing taxes. Measure N will ensure that new residents will substantially contribute to the cost of building new schools as well as continually upgrading existing facilities. YES on Measure N will ensure we have the schools to provide an excellent education for our children now and in the future.

Measure N requires an independent citizens' oversight committee and annual audits to ensure money is used only for voter approved school improvements and repairs and not used for salaries, administration, and overhead.

Measure N benefits everyone because building new schools improves property values and maintains the desirability of our community. Adequate school facilities are the key to opportunities and a better life. We need to continue to maintain our schools and build new ones for growth.

Vote YES on Measure N!

Janet Rutledge, Long-time Local Educator
Dolores A. Serna, Grandparent
Matthew L. Friedman, School Board President
Stephen Donnelly, Parent
Dominic Mecklenburg, Store Manager, Umpqua Bank

RESOLUTION NO. 23/2007-08

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CENTER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ORDERING AN ELECTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF SCHOOL BONDS, ESTABLISHING SPECIFICATIONS OF THE ELECTION ORDER, AND REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION WITH ANY OTHER ELECTIONS OCCURRING ON NOVEMBER 4, 2008

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the Board of Trustees (the "**Board**") of the Center Unified School District (the "**District**"), it is advisable to call an election to submit to the electors of the District the question of whether bonds of the District shall be issued and sold for the purpose of raising money for the improvement, upgrade, and renovation of the District's existing facilities and paying costs incident thereto; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the approval of Proposition 39 on November 7, 2000, Article XIII A, Section 1, paragraph (b) of the California Constitution ("**Article XIII A**") provides an exception to the limit on *ad valorem* property taxes on real property for bonded indebtedness incurred by a school district that has been approved by fifty-five percent (55%) of the voters of the District voting on the proposition; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Education Code ("**Education Code**") Section 15264 *et seq.* (the "**Act**"), this Board is specifically authorized, upon approval by two-thirds (2/3) of the Board, to submit to the electorate of the District the question of whether bonds of the District shall be issued and sold for specified purposes, upon a fifty-five percent (55%) vote of the electorate in favor on the question, pursuant to paragraph (3) of said subdivision (b) of Section 1 of Article XIII A and subdivision (b) of Section 18 of Article XVI of the California Constitution; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Elections Code ("**Elections Code**") Section 10403 *et seq.*, it is appropriate for the Board to request consolidation of the election with any and all other elections to be held on November 4, 2008, and to request the County of Sacramento Registrar of Voters and the Placer County Registrar of Voters (collectively, the "**Registrars of Voters**") to perform certain election services for the District; and

WHEREAS, the District shall use its best efforts to construct all new schools in the District to achieve, when functionally, technologically and economically feasible, the following objectives: (i) renewable sources of energy as their primary source of power; (ii) environmentally-sound building materials; (iii) irrigation and drainage systems that optimize water use efficiency and reuse; (iv) landscaping materials and vegetation that optimizes water use and native plant species; and (v) site designs that facilitate and accommodate access by bicycles and

pedestrians (collectively, the "**Environmental Objectives**").

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF THE DISTRICT HEREBY RESOLVES, DETERMINES, AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Call for Election. The Board hereby orders an election and submits to the electors of the District the question of whether general obligation bonds of the District (the "**Bonds**") shall be issued and sold in one or more series from time to time in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$500,000,000 for the purpose of raising money for improvement, upgrade, and renovation of the District's existing facilities and paying costs incident thereto, as set forth more fully in a ballot proposition approved pursuant to Section 4 below.

Section 2. Order of Election. That this Resolution shall stand as the order to the Registrars of Voters to call an election within the boundaries of the District on November 4, 2008. The Registrars of Voters are hereby requested, pursuant to Section 5322 of the Education Code, to take all steps to call and hold the election in accordance with law and these specifications.

Section 3. Election Date. The date of the election shall be November 4, 2008, and the election shall be held solely within the boundaries of the District.

Section 4. Purpose of Election; Ballot Proposition. The purpose of the election shall be for the voters of the District to vote on a proposition, a full copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, containing the question of whether the District shall issue the Bonds for the purposes stated therein, together with the accountability requirements of Article XIII A and the requirements of Section 15272 of the Act. The Registrars of Voters are hereby requested to reprint Exhibit A hereof in its entirety in the voter information pamphlet to be distributed to voters. As required by Elections Code Section 13247, the abbreviated form of the measure to appear on the ballot is attached hereto as Exhibit B. The District's Superintendent (or his or her designee) is hereby authorized and directed to make any changes to the text of the proposition or its abbreviated form as required to comply with the intent of this Resolution, the requirements of elections officials, and requirements of law.

Section 5. The Bonds. That the maturity of any bonds issued pursuant hereto shall have a maturity not exceeding the maximum maturity permitted by law and shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed 12% per annum.

**MEASURE N RESOLUTION
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Section 6. Authority for Election. The authority for ordering the election is contained in the Act and Article XIII A, Section 1, paragraph (b), subsection (3) of the California Constitution. The authority for the specification of this election order is contained in Education Code Section 5322.

Section 7. School Facilities Projects. A list of the specific school facilities projects to be funded from the proceeds of the bonds is set forth in Exhibit A. As required by Article XIII A, the Board hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class-size reduction, and information technology needs of the District in developing the list of school facilities projects set forth in Exhibit A.

Section 8. The Environmental Objectives. The District shall use its best efforts to achieve the Environmental Objectives when functionally, technologically and economically feasible; provided, however, that the inability of the District to achieve an Environmental Objective will not affect the validity of the bonds or a project undertaken with proceeds of the bonds.

Section 9. Covenants of the Board Upon Approval of the Bonds by the Electorate. As required by Article XIII A and Section 15270 of the Act, if fifty-five percent (55%) of the voters of the District voting on the measure approve of the bonds, the Board shall:

(a) Use the bond proceeds only for the purposes of construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, as specifically set forth in Exhibit A, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses;

(b) Conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the projects listed in Exhibit A;

(c) Conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for school facilities projects listed in Exhibit A; and

(d) Establish and appoint members to an independent citizens' oversight committee in accordance with Sections 15278, 15280, and 15282 of the Act.

Section 10. Delivery of this Resolution. The Clerk of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to send or hand deliver a copy of this Resolution to the County of

Sacramento Superintendent of Schools, the County of Sacramento Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, the County of Placer Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and the Registrars of Voters no later August 7, 2008.

Section 11. Ballot Arguments; Tax Rate Statement. Any and all members of this Board are hereby authorized to act as an author of any ballot argument prepared in connection with the election, including a rebuttal argument. The Superintendent, President of the Board, or their designees, are hereby authorized to execute the Tax Rate Statement and any other required documents and to perform all acts necessary to place the bond measure on the ballot. The Tax Rate Statement shall be delivered to the Registrars of Voters on or before August 7, 2008.

Section 12. Consolidation of Election; Election Services.

(a) Pursuant to Section 15121 of the Education Code and Part 3 (commencing with Section 10400) of Division 10 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sacramento and the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer are requested to order consolidation of the school bond election ordered herein with such other elections as may be held on the same day in the same territory or in territory that is in part the same.

(b) Pursuant to Section 5303 of the Education Code and Section 10002 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors is requested to permit the Registrars of Voters, or other appropriate officials of the County of Sacramento and/or the County of Placer (collectively, the "Counties"), to render all services necessary in connection with the bond election including, but not limited to, publication of a Formal Notice of School Bond Election pursuant to Education Code 5363 and related law, the mailing of the sample ballot and tax rate statement (described in Section 9401 of the Elections Code), the opportunity to submit ballot arguments in connection with the bond election, the canvassing and certification of the returns of the election, and other ballot requirements pursuant to Elections Code Section 15123, for which services the District agrees to reimburse the County as required by law.

Section 13. Bond Counsel. That the Board hereby approves the retention of Nixon Peabody LLP as bond counsel in connection with the bond election and subsequent issuances of bonds.

Section 14. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**MEASURE N RESOLUTION
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ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED this 30th day of May, 2008.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CENTER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

By: Matthew L. Friedman
President

Attest:

By: Donald E. Wilson
Clerk of the Board

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO)

I, Dr. Kevin Jolly, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No.23/2007-08, which was duly adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Center Unified School District at meeting thereof held on the 30 day of May, 2008, and that it was so adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Anderson, Blenner, Friedman,
 Williams
NOES: none
ABSENT none
ABSTENTIONS: Wilson

By: Dr. Kevin J. Jolly
Secretary to the Board of Trustees

BOND PROJECT LIST

EXHIBIT A

INTRODUCTION

"To acquire, construct, and improve school facilities, including building new schools and classrooms to reduce student overcrowding, improving existing schools for greater energy efficiency and increased access to computers and technology, and qualify the District for approximately \$250,000,000 in State funds, shall the District issue up to \$500,000,000 in bonds at legal interest rates, with a citizens' oversight committee, annual audits, no money for administrator salaries, and provided funds cannot be transferred to the State?"

ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES

If the bonds are approved, the Board of Trustees will implement the following accountability measures in accordance with State law:

- (a) Use the proceeds from the sale of the bonds only for the purposes of construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, as specifically set forth in this Exhibit A, but not for any other purpose, including board member, administrator, teacher, or staff salaries or benefits or other school operating expenses;
- (b) Conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the projects listed in this Exhibit A;
- (c) Conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for school facilities projects listed in this Exhibit A; and
- (d) Establish and appoint members to an independent citizens' oversight committee to ensure the bonds

are used only for the projects listed in this Exhibit A.

SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED FROM BOND PROCEEDS

As required by the California Constitution, the proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, **and not for** any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses. All new schools constructed in the Center Unified School District will have, when functionally, technologically and economically feasible, the following:

1. Renewable sources of energy as their primary source of power;
2. Environmentally sound building materials;
3. Irrigation and drainage systems that optimize water use efficiency and reuse;
4. Landscaping materials and vegetation that optimizes water use and native plant species; and
5. Shall utilize site designs that facilitate and accommodate access by bicycles and pedestrians.

The Board of Trustees hereby certifies that it has evaluated the safety, class-size reduction, and information technology needs of the District in developing this list of school facilities projects:

- Build new schools, including high schools, middle schools, and elementary schools;
- Improve existing schools;
- Acquire leased facilities;
- Furnish and equip schools; and
- To the extent possible, the District will seek joint-use funding to build specific buildings for school and community use.

TAX RATE STATEMENT

An election will be held in the Center Unified School District (the "District") on November 4, 2008 to authorize the sale of up to \$500 million in bonds of the District to finance school facilities as described in the Measure. Principal and interest on the bonds will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the *Elections Code of the State of California*.

1. The best estimate of the tax which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is 0.923 cents per \$100 (\$9.23 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2012-13.
2. The best estimate of the tax which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the last series of bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is 6.000 cents per \$100 (\$60.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation in fiscal year 2035-36.
3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is 6.000 cents per \$100 (\$60.00 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation.

Voters should note that the estimated tax rates are based on the *ASSESSED VALUE* of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls, not on the property's market value. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon the District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary from those presently estimated, due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on the need for construction funds and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

Dated: May 30, 2008

Dr. Kevin Jolly, Superintendent
Center Unified School District

MEASURE P

**PROPOSAL TO AUTHORIZE PLACER HILLS FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT TO EXCEED APPROPRIATIONS LIMITATION**

Shall the Placer Hills Fire Protection District be allowed to exceed its Appropriations Limitation for four years beginning July 1, 2008 in order to maintain the current level of life and fire safety services protecting the residents and property of the fire district?

YES _____ NO _____

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY PLACER COUNTY COUNSEL

The Placer Hills Fire Protection District currently receives revenue from property taxes and a special tax. If the special tax previously approved by the voters continues to be collected, then the district will collect proceeds of taxes in excess of the constitutionally authorized spending limitation for the four-year period beginning fiscal year 2008-2009.

Article 13A of the California Constitution, passed by the electorate in 1978 as Proposition 13, requires approval by the electorate to levy special taxes. The district has obtained such approval and currently levies a special tax. If such taxes are collected, Article 13B requires a majority vote by the electorate to spend any such revenues in excess of the district appropriations limit. This raising of the appropriations limitation on spending is limited to a maximum of four years from the date of the most recent vote creating or continuing such change. Since the special tax being collected will cause the level of revenue to exceed the appropriations limit, this voter approval is necessary to spend such excess revenue.

A "Yes" vote is a vote to authorize an increase in the appropriations limit for the four (4) year period starting in fiscal year 2008-2009, in order that the district may spend revenue raised in excess of its appropriations limit.

A "No" vote will prohibit the District from spending revenues that exceed its appropriations limit.

This analysis is submitted by the Office of the County Counsel of Placer County, pursuant to the requirements of Section 9313 of the Elections Code of the State of California.

Anthony J. La Bouff
County Counsel

By: Brian R. Wirtz
Deputy County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE P

MEASURE P DOES NOT INCREASE YOUR PROPERTY TAXES.

It simply allows Placer Hills Fire District to spend the funds already allocated to this fire district from existing property taxes. The State requires your approval to keep these fire taxes in your district otherwise they will be distributed to other areas of the State.

A YES vote on Measure P directs these funds to Placer Hills Fire District.

A no vote on Measure P allows the State to direct the funds to other places.

Please continue your support for your fire department and vote **YES** on **MEASURE P**. Keep your already allotted fire taxes in your district and maintain the emergency services that you already have.

Greg Guyan, Director
Kelly Fulfer, Director
Jerry Johnson, Director
Eric Vereyken, Director
Richard Rogers, Director

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE P

Measure P allows the Placer Hills Fire Protection District to spend tax revenues in excess of the Constitutional limits that voters approved by 74% in 1979 as Proposition 4 (the "Gann Limit"). The Gann Limit allows spending to increase according to the cost of living and population growth. Even though this formula has permitted enormous spending growth in this District, there can never be enough money to satisfy some politicians. Measure P allows them to spend more than ever before, without regard to the quality of the services provided and without consideration for competing needs for our tax dollars.

Like other local districts, the Placer Hills Fire Protection District was designed for volunteer firefighters who would only be paid when actually called upon in emergencies. The District's current policies favor full-time, unionized employees who must be paid year-round, whether they are needed or not. As a result, the

District claims it cannot afford to live within the spending restrictions that apply to virtually every other local government. This should come as no surprise! Voters need to send a message to get the District to change its policies and live within Constitutional spending limits.

If Measure P is defeated, excess tax revenues need not be transferred to the State. They may be returned to taxpayers in the form of tax rate reductions (imagine that!) or re-directed to more critical local needs. The world will not end – but there might be some changes for the better!

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President California Taxpayer Protection Committee
George E Park Jr., President, Placer County Rep. Assembly

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE P

Fire Protection is a priority and our brave firefighters deserve our support, but Measure P is the wrong answer.

The Gann Limit is a very reasonable constitutional limit on local spending that allows spending to increase according to population growth and inflation. We need to protect taxpayers by demanding that the District live within this generous, ever-increasing spending limit. Experience has taught us that politicians will always want to spend more. Voters need to restrain the politicians and the Gann Limit has served that purpose very well. Voting no on Measure P will force the district to stay within this reasonable limit.

In 1993 voters approved a half-cent sales tax increase known as Proposition 172, which we were promised would pay for firefighting and police protection. District residents have been paying this tax for fifteen years, but none of this tax money is being spent on firefighting in the Placer Hills Fire Protection District! Before approving increased spending above the Gann Limit, we need to demand that our politicians keep their

promises and spend some of the Proposition 172 funds on firefighting in this District.

This District was originally designed and financed for volunteer firefighters, to be led by a very small professional staff. These brave volunteers get paid when they're called up for emergencies, but they hold other jobs and they do not require full-time government salaries in the "off season." Unfortunately, this District has become hostile to volunteers and (intentionally or otherwise) they have favored of unionized, full-time employees. Now they claim they cannot afford to live within the Gann Limit. Instead of raising the limit, we should demand that the District welcome back the volunteers and fully incorporate them into all of their activities, as they did before.

Please **VOTE NO** on Measure P.

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President, California Taxpayer Protection Committee

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE P

Placer Hills Fire Protection District's firefighters are NOT politicians wanting to spend your money. Measure P costs you nothing.

FACT: The Fire District tax base alone does not support needed funds to provide adequate fire and medical services to the area. In 2004 area voters widely approved a District Fire Assessment fee which enabled the District for the first time to staff both the Weimar and Meadow Vista Fire Stations that provide quick and reliable fire and medical protection in the District. Placer Hills Fire District needs your approval to maintain these services!

FACT: Proposition 172 funds are distributed to general funded public safety agencies and not to the independent Placer Hills Fire Protection District.

FACT: Placer Hills Fire Protection District is one of the few fire departments who train and use

volunteers extensively. The staffed fire engines provide quick, initial response while available volunteers augment the response with additional equipment and personnel.

Measure P is **NOT** a new tax on the Fire District residents but merely a renewal of your permission to exceed the Gann Limit. Under the Gann Act this must be approved every four years.

MAINTAIN YOUR FIRE AND MEDICAL PROTECTION

VOTE YES ON MEASURE P

Wally Reemelin, President League of Placer County Taxpayers
Kelly Fulfer, Board Member
Richard D. Rogers, Board Member
Eric Vereyken, Board Member
Jerry Johnson, Board Member

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-04

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PLACER HILLS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT CALLING FOR A MEASURE TO BE PLACED ON THE NOVEMBER 4, 2008 GENERAL ELECTION TO APPROVE THE PLACER HILLS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TO EXCEED ITS APPROPRIATIONS LIMITATION FOR FOUR YEARS BEGINNING JULY 1, 2008

Be it ordained by the Board of Directors of the Placer Hills Fire Protection District (hereinafter referred to as the "District") that:

1. The Board of Directors of said District finds and declares that it is necessary to exceed the District's Appropriations Limitation to provide a safe level of fire and life safety protection within the District.
2. Article 13B of the California Constitution requires a majority vote by the electorate to spend any tax revenue in excess of the District's Appropriations Limit.
3. Pursuant to the requirements of the Laws of the State of California relating to district elections, there shall be and there is hereby called, ordered and held in the Placer Hills Fire Protection District, County of Placer, on Tuesday, November 4, 2008, a general election of the qualified voters of the District for the purpose of submitting the following measure:

"Shall the Placer Hills Fire Protection District be allowed to exceed its Appropriations Limitation for four years beginning July 1, 2008 in order to maintain the current level of life and fire safety services protecting the residents and property of the fire district?"

4. Pursuant to Sections 10517 and 10519 of the Elections Code of the State of California, the Board of Directors of this District hereby requests the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer to authorize the County Clerk to render all services otherwise required for the election to be held on November 4, 2008.
5. The Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer is hereby authorized and directed to canvass the returns of the election and clarify the results of the election to the Board of Directors as required by law.
6. The District will further notice this election by posting a copy of this resolution on or near the door of the District Office at least two weeks prior to the time of the scheduled election.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Placer Hills Fire Protection District this Fourth Day of June 2008, by the following vote on roll call:

AYES: Fulfer, Guyan, Johnson, Rogers, Vereyken

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 0

Greg Guyan, President

ATTEST: Eric Vereyken, Secretary/Treasurer

MEASURE Q

PROPOSAL TO ISSUE BONDS FOR COLFAX ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

To provide comparable quality classrooms and technology as other nearby schools, update electrical systems to improve student access to computers/modern technology, construct a science/computer/vocational classroom laboratory to provide job skills, install solar panels to reduce utility costs, shall Colfax School District issue \$2,500,000 of bonds at legal rates, to acquire, construct, repair, equip schools, with no money for administrators' salaries, independent public audits, and spending annually reviewed by a citizens' oversight committee?

BONDS YES _____

BONDS NO _____

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY PLACER COUNTY COUNSEL

This measure, if approved by fifty-five percent of the voters voting thereon, would authorize the sale of general obligation bonds by the Colfax Elementary School District (the "District") in the amount of \$2,500,000 (two million five hundred thousand dollars). The proceeds of the bonds would be used for the purposes described in the text of Measure Q, which precedes this analysis. Principal and interest on the bonds would be paid from a tax placed on the taxable property within the district. The District's estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue follows this analysis.

A general obligation bond is a form of borrowing commonly used to fund school facilities. By law, local general obligation bonds, financed through an increase in local property taxes, can be used for renovating, reconstructing, and building new facilities and for acquiring certain new equipment. To authorize such bond issuance, school districts can seek either two-thirds or 55% voter approval. If districts seek the 55% approval, as has been done by the District, they must meet additional accountability requirements.

In order to meet these additional accountability requirements, the Board of Trustees of the District has committed to the following:

- use the bond proceeds only for the purposes set forth in the ballot measure, and not for any other purpose, such as teacher and administrator salaries and other operating expenses.
- the safety, class size reduction and information technology needs of the District as well as the importance of the projects to student achievement and enhanced instruction has been evaluated prior to determining that bond issuance was necessary.

- to conduct annual independent performance audits to ensure that the bond proceeds are expended only for the projects in the ballot measure.
- to conduct annual, independent financial audits of the expenditure of the bond proceeds until all bond proceeds have been expended.
- to create a Citizen's Oversight Committee in compliance with Education Code Section 15278 no later than 60 days after the Board enters the election results in its minutes.

The District has confirmed that the proposed bonds would bear interest at a rate not exceeding the statutory limit per annum and the maturity of the bonds will not exceed the statutory maximum.

A "YES" vote on this Measure would authorize the Colfax Elementary School District to borrow money through the sale of bonds in an amount not exceeding \$2,500,000.00, such bonds to be repaid by revenue derived from an annual tax levied upon the taxable property within the District.

A "NO" vote on this Measure is a vote against authorizing the sale of bonds by the District.

This analysis is submitted by the Office of the County Counsel of Placer County pursuant to the requirements of Section 9500 of the Elections Code of the State of California

Anthony J. La Bouff
County Counsel

By: Brian R. Wirtz
Deputy County Counsel

EDUCATION CODE SECTION 15122.5(b) "Approval of Measure Q does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Colfax Elementary School District that are the subject of bonds under Measure Q will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure Q. The district's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure."

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE Q

Vote Yes on Measure Q.

Colfax Elementary School District students deserve the same opportunity to achieve academic success as other students throughout Placer County. Providing Colfax students with the modern, up-to-date tools they need to meet their goals has been a hallmark of our community for generations. As state academic standards continue to increase, we are seeking the support of Colfax residents to provide students with the tools necessary to meet these increasing standards.

Measure Q will provide students with 21st Century classrooms equipped with modern technology that will allow them to keep pace with students in other Placer County school districts. Electrical wiring will be upgraded and cabling will be installed to accommodate computers and modern technology.

Construction of a new applied academic laboratory will be funded by Measure Q. The laboratory will offer students vocational skills and exploration into career pathways and technical training for today's global economy.

Measure Q will also allow the District to install solar panels at Colfax Elementary School that will increase energy efficiency, reduce the District's utility costs and

make Colfax Elementary School District a leader in energy conservation.

Outdoor facilities will be renovated and repaired for greater student and community safety. Athletic fields and bleachers will be renovated, and a restroom facility will be built to accommodate our community's use of Colfax Elementary. Proper locker room facilities will be constructed on to the gymnasium to meet current health and safety codes.

By law, an Independent Citizens Oversight Committee must be created to ensure that only voter-approved expenditures and construction projects are completed. Annual fiscal and performance audits must be conducted and made public to ensure taxpayer accountability.

Join parents, teachers, business owners, seniors and community leaders and vote Yes on Measure Q.

Visit www.ColfaxKids2008.com for more information.

James E. Albright, Citizen
James J. Gargan, Citizen
Stephanie Gargan, Citizen
Ken Delfino, Citizen/Resident
Helen Wayland, Director of Colfax Heritage Museum

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE Q

Measure Q reads like a very long wish-list of things that would be great to have for our schools. But we simply can't afford all of these new taxes and spending.

Colfax is facing some tremendous challenges, with massive fines from the state and major potential increases in our sewer rates to pay for a new wastewater treatment plant. Our city is struggling.

On top of that, our economy is in a major downturn right now. Many people have lost their jobs, and some are teetering on the edge of losing their homes.

Now is certainly not the right time to raise taxes.

There are other problems with Measure Q as well. We simply shouldn't be paying for new technology in the

classrooms with a bond measure – that would be like taking out a 30-year mortgage on your home to buy a computer and a home theater system. 25 years from now, our kids shouldn't have to be paying for technology that is completely obsolete.

Vote No on Measure Q. It's the wrong decision, at the wrong time.

John Gagnon, Colfax Resident
Larry Tillotson, General Contractor/Colfax Resident
Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President California Taxpayer Protection Committee
George E. Park Jr., President, Placer County Republican Assembly

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE Q

We vigorously oppose this ill-timed, ill-conceived measure that will increase taxes.

Earlier this year, the Colfax Record printed a list of all the projects Colfax Elementary School could spend two and a half million dollars on if this bond passed. Among the listed items were an all-weather track, an outdoor stage, and new bleachers. Additionally, we understand the plan is to equip every classroom with space-age smart boards and surround sound. We question whether this is the right time to pay for these niceties given the trouble so many families are having simply holding onto their homes and paying for the rising cost of gas. This is particularly true given the assessments that residents may have to pay to fix the sewer system issues in the City of Colfax.

Even if the projects were worthwhile, however, Colfax Elementary is faced with declining enrollment. This means that fewer and fewer students are enrolling in the District each year. Meanwhile, the State has increased its per pupil funding in recent years. Thus, if the District

were properly managing its budget, it could easily afford some of these items. There is no need for a tax increase. The only reason a tax increase is being proposed is because the District simply refuses to tighten its belt and live within its means.

Measure Q will require property owners to pay over 26 Dollars per \$100,000 of assessed value of their homes and properties. This means the average homeowner in Colfax will be taxed nearly \$100 a year so that a classroom of 20 students can have surround sound and other niceties that can be deferred until economic times are better for all District residents.

Please vote no on Measure Q.

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President, California Taxpayer Protection Committee
Jerry Simmons, Former President Sierra College Board
Rocky Warren, Retired Sheriff's Sergeant-Consultant

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE Q

Vote Yes on Measure Q

Measure Q will fund:

--Science, computer, and vocational classroom laboratories

--Upgrades to outdated electrical wiring and power to accommodate today's technology requirements

--Safe athletic facilities for the entire community

--A permanent shade structure at CES to protect students from the weather.

These are hardly "space age niceties" as some want you to believe.

We live in the 21st Century. The Colfax community shouldn't expect its students to meet today's increased educational standards using last century's tools.

Contrary to uninformed opinions, CESD has trimmed over \$700,000 from its budget in the past three years. Administrative personnel were cut, and the superintendent doubles as the principal.

CESD HAS DEMONSTRATED its ability to face the current school funding shortages while providing a quality education to students.

CESD qualifies for \$3,000,000.00 in state grants. This is money you already paid to the State through your income taxes. Voters must approve Measure Q to get state grants. Without Measure Q, your tax dollars will go to other school districts throughout the state, like San Francisco Unified School District or Los Angeles Unified School District.

Maybe that's why Mike Spence, a school board member in Los Angeles County, opposes Measure Q. Perhaps he wants to grab your state grant dollars and modernize **his** school district's classrooms.

Don't let people from outside Colfax dictate what's best for our children.

Tell Los Angeles County politicians to keep their hands off our state school grants!

Say YES to Colfax students!

Vote YES on Measure Q!

Visit www.ColfaxKids2008.com for more information.

James Gargan, property owner
Stephanie Gargan, property owner
Helen Wayland, Director Colfax Museum
Kenneth A. Delfino, Colfax Resident

RESOLUTION NO. 16 07/08

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE COLFAX ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
DISTRICT ORDERING AN ELECTION, AND
ESTABLISHING SPECIFICATIONS OF THE
ELECTION ORDER**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") has determined that Colfax Elementary School needs to be upgraded, repaired, improved, and better equipped, to enable the District to enhance the educational opportunities of all the students in the District; and

WHEREAS, the Colfax Elementary School District (the "District") has undertaken community outreach efforts to gather opinions of parents and community members as to their assessment of the District's facility needs; and

WHEREAS, the State of California (the "State") has been unable to provide the District with enough money for the District to adequately maintain, construct, repair, and equip Colfax Elementary School to provide an optimal learning environment for all students; and

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the Board, it is advisable to provide facility funding to both repair and upgrade Colfax Elementary School and to apply for additional State money, by means of a general obligation bond; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 46, approved by the voters of the State on June 3, 1986 ("Proposition 46"), amended Section 1(b) of Article XIII A of the California Constitution by adding a provision which exempts from the 1% of full cash value limitation, those ad valorem taxes used to pay for debt service of any bonded indebtedness for the acquisition or improvement of real property approved on or after July 1, 1978, by two-thirds of the votes cast by voters voting on the proposition; and

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2000 the voters of California approved the Smaller Classes, Safer Schools and Financial Accountability Act ("Proposition 39") which, as of its effective date, reduced the voter threshold for ad valorem tax levies used to pay for debt service or bonded indebtedness to 55% of the votes cast on a school district general obligation bond; and

WHEREAS, concurrent with the passage of Proposition 39, Chapter 1.5, Part 10, Division 1, Title 1 (commencing with Section 15264) of the Education Code (the "Act") became operative and established requirements associated with the implementation of Proposition 39; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to make certain findings herein to be applicable to this election order and to establish certain performance audits, standards of financial accountability and citizen oversight which are contained in Proposition 39 and the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby determines, in accordance with the opinion of the Attorney General of the State of California, that the restrictions in Proposition 39 which prohibit any bond money from being wasted or used for administrative salaries or other operating expenses of the District be strictly enforced by the Citizens' Oversight Committee; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Code Section 15270, based upon a projection of assessed property valuation, the Board has determined that, if approved by voters, the tax rate levied to meet the debt service requirements of the bonds proposed to be issued will not exceed the Proposition 39 limits per year per \$100,000 of assessed valuation of taxable property; and

WHEREAS, Section 9400 *et seq.* of the Elections Code of the State of California (the "Elections Code") requires that a tax rate statement be contained in all official materials, including any ballot pamphlet prepared, sponsored or distributed by the District, relating to the election; and

WHEREAS, the Board now desires to authorize the filing of a ballot argument in favor of the proposition to be submitted to the voters at the election; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the California Elections Code, it is appropriate for the Board to request consolidation of the election with any and all other elections to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2008, and to request that the Placer County Registrar of Voters perform certain election services for the District;

NOW THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE COLFAX ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the Board, pursuant to Education Code Sections 15100 *et seq.*, 15264 *et seq.*, and Government Code Section 53506, hereby requests the Placer County Registrar of Voters to conduct an election under the provisions of Proposition 39 and the Act and submit to the electors of the District the question of whether bonds of the District in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$2,500,000 (the "Bonds") shall be issued and sold for the purpose of raising money for the purposes described in Exhibits "A" and "B" hereto. Both exhibits are directed to be printed in the voter pamphlet.

Section 2. That the date of the election shall be November 4, 2008.

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Section 3. That the purpose of the election shall be for the voters in the District to vote on a proposition, a copy of which is attached hereto and marked Exhibit "A" and incorporated by reference herein, containing the question of whether the District shall issue the Bonds to pay for improvements to the extent permitted by such proposition. In compliance with Proposition 39 and the Act, the ballot proposition in Exhibit "A" is subject to the following requirements and determinations:

(a) the proceeds of the sale of the Bonds shall only be used for the purposes set forth in the ballot measure and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other operating expenses;

(b) that the Board, in establishing the projects set forth in Exhibit "B," evaluated the safety, class size reduction and information technology needs of the District as well as the importance of the projects to student achievement and enhanced instruction;

(c) that the Board will cause to be conducted an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the Bond moneys get expended for the projects identified in Exhibit "B" hereto;

(d) that the Board will cause an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of Bonds to be conducted until all of the Bond proceeds have been expended;

(e) that the Board will cause the appointment of a Citizens' Oversight Committee in compliance with Education Code Section 15278 no later than 60 days after the Board enters the election results in its minutes pursuant to Elections Code Section 15274; and

(f) that the tax levy authorized to secure the Bonds of this election shall not exceed the Proposition 39 limit per \$100,000 of taxable property in the District when assessed valuation is projected by the District to increase in accordance with Article XIII A of the California Constitution.

Section 4. That the authority for ordering the election is contained in Education Code Sections 15100 *et seq.*, 15264 *et seq.*, and Government Code Section 53506.

Section 5. That the authority for the specifications of this election order is contained in Sections 5322 of the Education Code.

Section 6. That the Placer County Registrar of Voters and the Placer County Board of Supervisors are hereby requested to consolidate the election ordered hereby with any and all other elections to be held on November 4, 2008 within the District.

Section 7. That the Secretary of the Board is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this Resolution to the Placer County Registrar of Voters no later than July 8, 2008.

Section 8. That the maturity of any Bonds issued pursuant to Section 15264 *et seq.* of the Education Code hereto shall have a maturity not exceeding twenty-five (25) years, and Bonds issued pursuant to Section 53506 of the Government Code shall have a maturity of not exceeding forty (40) years. The maximum rate of interest on any Bond shall not exceed the maximum rate allowed by Education Code Sections 15140 to 15143, as modified by Government Code Section 53531.

Section 9. That the Board requests the governing body of any such other political subdivision, or any officer otherwise authorized by law, to partially or completely consolidate such election and to further provide that the canvass be made by any body or official authorized by law to canvass the returns of the election, and that the Board consents to such consolidation.

Section 10. Pursuant to Section 5303 of the Education Code and Section 10002 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of Placer County is requested to permit the Registrar of Voters to render all services specified by Section 10418 of the Elections Code relating to the election, for which services the District agrees to reimburse Placer County, such services to include the printing of the Full Text Ballot Proposition in the voter pamphlet, the publication of a Formal Notice of School Bond Election and the mailing of the sample ballot and tax rate statement (described in Section 9401 of the Elections Code) pursuant to the terms of Section 5363 of the Education Code and Section 12112 of the Elections Code.

ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED this 16th day of June 2008.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE COLFAX
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

By Michelle Heimann
President

Attest: Jon Ray
Secretary

BOND PROJECT LIST

**EXHIBIT B
FULL TEXT BALLOT PROPOSITION
OF THE COLFAX ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOND MEASURE ELECTION NOVEMBER 4, 2008**

“To provide comparable quality classrooms and technology as other nearby schools, update electrical systems to improve student access to computers/modern technology, construct a science/computer/vocational classroom laboratory to provide job skills, install solar panels to reduce utility costs, shall Colfax School District issue \$2,500,000 of bonds at legal rates, to acquire, construct, repair, equip schools, with no money for administrators’ salaries, independent public audits, and spending annually reviewed by a citizens’ oversight committee?”

PRIORITY SCHOOL PROJECTS LIST

The Board of Trustees of the Colfax Elementary School District evaluated the District’s urgent and critical facility needs, including safety issues, class size, energy efficiency and computer technology, in developing the scope of projects to be funded. In developing the scope of projects, teachers, staff and community members have prioritized the key health and safety needs so that the most critical facility needs are addressed. The Board conducted a facilities evaluation and received public input and review in developing the scope of facility projects to be funded. This input concluded that if these needs were not addressed now, the problem would only get worse. **In approving this Priority School Projects List, the Board of Trustees makes five important policy determinations:**

- (i) **It is important that Colfax students have access to the same high-quality classrooms, technology and school facilities as other children in Placer County; and**
- (ii) **It is critical that the District be held accountable, thus an independent citizens’ oversight committee shall be established to review all bond expenditures to guarantee the money is spent as voters approved; and**
- (iii) **Independent annual public audits shall be conducted to make sure bond money is spent properly; and**
- (iv) **Upgrading electrical and power systems is vital for computer and technology instruction and additional solar panels should be installed to reduce utility bills and conserve energy.**

The Bond Project List is on file at the District Office of the Superintendent and includes the following projects:

PRIORITY SCHOOL PROJECTS

Colfax Elementary School

- Upgrade electrical and systems to improve access to computers and modern technology in classrooms and libraries.

- Upgrade classroom technology and infrastructure (fiberoptic cable, switches, new server) so that all classrooms are “SMART” classrooms.
- Upgrade heating, ventilation and air-conditioning system for energy efficiency and to reduce energy costs, install solar panels for cost savings.
- Renovate and upgrade classrooms, buildings and support areas to meet current teaching requirements and curriculum standards, add shade shelters, improve access for students and teachers with disabilities.
- Construct a new science, computer and vocational laboratory to provide students with real skills for real jobs.

Listed building, repair and rehabilitation projects and upgrades will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. In addition to the listed repair and construction projects stated above, the Priority School Projects List also includes the payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility assessment reviews, environmental studies and construction documentation, and temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by bond projects. The allocation of bond proceeds will be affected by the final costs of each project. In the absence of State matching funds, which the District will aggressively pursue to reduce the District’s share of the costs of the projects, the District may not be able to complete some of the projects listed above. Certain projects may be undertaken as joint use projects in cooperation with other local public agencies. The budget for each project is an estimate and may be affected by factors beyond the District’s control. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded and projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each project, certain of the projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. In the event there are sufficient bond moneys available, the District would increase locker room capacity and install an all weather field and track, bleachers and required restrooms. Demolition of existing facilities and reconstruction of facilities scheduled for repair and upgrade may occur, if the Board determines that such an approach would be more cost-effective in creating more enhanced and operationally efficient campuses. Necessary site preparation/restoration may occur in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing,

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replacing, or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, redirecting fire access, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property. Bond proceeds shall only be expended for the specific purposes identified herein. Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District staff when performing work on or necessary and incidental to the bond projects. The District shall create an account into which proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code § 53410.

FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY. IN ACCORDANCE WITH EDUCATION CODE SECTION 15272, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WILL APPOINT A CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE AND CONDUCT ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDITS TO ASSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT ONLY ON DISTRICT PROJECTS AND FOR NO OTHER PURPOSE. THE EXPENDITURE OF BOND MONEY ON THESE PROJECTS IS SUBJECT TO STRINGENT FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS. BY LAW, PERFORMANCE AND

FINANCIAL AUDITS WILL BE PERFORMED ANNUALLY, AND ALL BOND EXPENDITURES WILL BE MONITORED BY AN INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO ENSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT AS PROMISED AND SPECIFIED. THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MUST INCLUDE, AMONG OTHERS, REPRESENTATION OF A BONA FIDE TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION, A BUSINESS ORGANIZATION AND A SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION. NO DISTRICT EMPLOYEES OR VENDORS ARE ALLOWED TO SERVE ON THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

NO ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES. PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF THE BONDS AUTHORIZED BY THIS PROPOSITION SHALL BE USED ONLY FOR THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, REHABILITATION, OR REPLACEMENT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES, INCLUDING THE FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOL FACILITIES, AND NOT FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE, INCLUDING TEACHER AND SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES.

TAX RATE STATEMENT

An election will be held in the Colfax Elementary School District (the "District") on November 4, 2008, for the purpose of submitting to the electors of the District the question of incurring a bonded indebtedness of the District in a principal amount of \$2,500,000. If such bonds are authorized and sold, the principal thereof and interest thereon will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information regarding tax rates is given to comply with Section 9401 of the California Elections Code. Such information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District, and other demonstrable factors.

Based upon the foregoing and projections of the District's assessed valuation, and assuming the entire debt service will be paid through property taxation:

1. The best estimate of the tax which would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement is \$26.35 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation for the year 2009-10.

2. The best estimate from official sources of the tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue during the first fiscal year after the last sale of the bonds and an estimate of the year in which that

rate will apply based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement is \$26.35 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation for the year 2009-10.

3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue and an estimate of the year in which that rate will apply based on estimated assessed valuation available at the time of filing this statement is \$26.50 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation for the year 2017-18.

Attention to all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon projections and estimates only. The actual times of sales of said bonds and the amount sold at any given time will be governed by the needs of the District and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold, which in any event will not exceed the maximum permitted by law, will depend upon the bond market at the time of sales. The actual assessed valuations in the future years will depend upon the value of property within the District as determined in the assessment and the equalization process. Hence, the actual tax rates and the years in which such rates are applicable may vary from those presently estimated as above stated.

Jon Ray
Superintendent
Colfax Elementary School District

MEASURE R

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PLACER COUNTY CHARTER REGARDING
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COMPENSATION**

Shall Article II, Section 207 of the Placer County Charter be amended to adjust the current \$30,000.00 maximum compensation for Placer County Supervisors, put in place by the voters of Placer County in 1992, to a maximum of \$48,000, effective January 1, 2009, with such amount adjusted each January 1 thereafter in accordance with a specially designated U.S. Department of Labor Consumer Price Index?

YES _____ NO _____

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY PLACER COUNTY COUNSEL

This measure, if approved by a majority of those voting on the measure, would amend Section 207 of the Placer County Charter. This section of the Charter sets compensation of the members of the Placer County Board of Supervisors.

Currently, each member of the Board of Supervisors receives a salary of \$30,000 per annum, which represents the entire compensation paid to each member, with the exception of mandatory employer contributions for social security, workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, retirement, and reimbursement for actual expenses. The current \$30,000 compensation level was established in 1992 and has not changed since then.

This measure, if approved, would amend the current compensation in two ways. First, the compensation would be raised from \$30,000 to \$48,000 per year; this increase would go into effect on January 1, 2009. Second, beginning on January 1, 2010 and each year after that, the compensation would be adjusted according to the increase in the U.S. Department of Labor Consumer Price Index for the prior year.

A "YES" vote on this Measure would be to amend the County Charter to increase the salaries of the members of the Board of Supervisors from \$30,000 to \$48,000, with future increases based on the Consumer Price Index.

A "NO" vote on this Measure is a vote against increasing the salaries of the members of the Board of Supervisors.

This analysis is submitted by the Office of the County Counsel of Placer County pursuant to the requirements of Section 9160 of the Elections Code of the State of California

Anthony J. La Bouff
County Counsel

By: Brian R. Wirtz
Deputy County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE R

The residents and businesses of Placer County deserve the best governance possible. The Placer County Supervisors manage a budget of over a half a billion dollars a year. Compensation for County Supervisors has been frozen at \$30,000 per year for sixteen years, with no benefits.

This full-time work, validated by the Charter Review Committee, in governing one of the most rapidly growing counties in the nation is extremely demanding of the elected officials in terms of attending agency meetings, reviewing materials, dealing with constituent issues and providing services to the public.

While the county consistently provides high quality services in fiscally responsible manner, the pool of candidates is highly restricted given the hours required for the position and current compensation.

- A modest increase to \$48,000 per year for one of the most important jobs in elected positions in a county with a budget of more than \$700 million is reasonable.

- Placer County needs and deserves full time representation commensurate with the responsibilities associated with governing our dynamic county.
- Placer County is a dynamic, growing County—one of the best Counties in the entire State of California and our Supervisors are compensated at one of the lowest levels in the State—on par with counties like Modoc, Alpine and Sierra, who have the lowest populations and smallest budgets in the State!

Placer County is an outstanding place to live, work and raise a family and needs and deserves full time representation commensurate with the responsibilities associated with governing our dynamic county.

Harriet White, Retired Placer County Supervisor
Annabell McCord, Member, Placer County Charter Review Commission

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE R

Who manages the services provided by Placer County government?

FACT: Placer County pays a County Executive Officer \$231,000 a year, **and** gives him a staff to run the affairs of the county. The Board of Supervisors only role is to set policy and provide input to the budget.

Supervisors believe that taxpayers don't pay them enough, why then do they campaign for the job?

FACT: Supervisors receive **extra perks** above an annual salary, including a county car, a credit card for travel, meals, and hotels, as well as a personal cell phone. Credit card usage ranges to \$3,200 annually.

In 1998 Supervisors thought they deserved a 17% raise, but voters rejected it despite the League of Taxpayers remaining neutral.

FACT: The requirement for Supervisors to request a raise from voters, is a REPORT CARD from the

public. No wonder the Supes want to do away with this protection!

It's a slippery slope to allow supervisors to give themselves raises. **Do voters want the Board of Supervisors to govern like the California Legislature?**

VOTERS NOW HAVE A SAY ON SUPERVISOR PAY.

FACT: Measure R would END that with a small print section, tying raises to an arbitrary CPI index.

RETAIN YOUR SAY ON SUPERVISOR PAY!

VOTE NO ON MEASURE R

Wally Reemelin, President League of Placer County Taxpayers
Harvey Eisley, Former: Auburn Mayor
Ben Mavy, Former Secretary, Placer County Republican Party

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE R

Voters now have a voice in Supervisor compensation due to County Charter Amendment 207 placed on the ballot by the League of Placer County Taxpayers and approved by over 60 percent of voters in 1992. YOU, THE VOTER, NOW HAVE A SAY ON PAY.

Measure R would change that.

Supervisor pay would be on automatic pilot to increase each year due to the Consumer Price Index part of Measure R. (CPI = cost of things). Supervisors could ignore voter wishes and yet continue their pay increase. Measure R would increase Supervisor pay exponentially to \$54,000 in 4 years and almost \$61,000 by 8 years

Economic conditions NOW indicate a surge in CPI such that pay rates could increase by a third more than this.

RETAIN YOUR SAY ON PAY. VOTE NO ON R.

Harvey B. Easley, Former Auburn Mayor
Norma M. Harris, CEO, Auburn Iron Works/Harris Industrial Gases
Wally Reemelin, President League of Placer County Taxpayers
Phil Ozenick, Former Placer County Supervisor, District One
Ben Mavy, Former Secretary Placer County Republican Party

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE R

As residents of Placer County we are fortunate to live in one of the best communities in the State. This didn't happen by accident. We have prospered because a few individuals have given their time, commitment and service.

Your Yes vote on Measure R is critical to Placer County.

- The five elected members of the Board of Supervisors manage a budget of over \$800 million per year, overseeing Placer County and all of its services to residents and visitors.
- This more than full-time job, as validated by the Charter Review Committee, requires much time and commitment in order to provide policy direction and high quality services available to all.

Our Supervisors' annual salary of \$30,000 per year is near the bottom of the 58 counties in California, yet Placer consistently ranks as one of the best places to live, work, visit, and raise a family.

- Residents and businesses of our county deserve the best governance possible.

- Compensation for County Supervisors has been frozen at \$30,000 per year for 16 years, with no benefits.
- Having quality, caring and capable leaders is essential to good government and the well being of the people of Placer.

This is a small increase to \$48,000 per year—including a modest cost of living allowance.

Placer County needs and deserves full time representation and compensation in line with the responsibilities of governing such a growing and dynamic place to live.

Please vote Yes on Measure R! Thank you.

Alex Ferreira, Former Placer County Supervisor
Jim Gray, Mayor of Roseville
Primo Santini, Mayor of Lincoln
E. Ken Tokutomi, CPA: Past President – Placer Co. Board Ed.

ORDINANCE NO. 5514-B

The following Ordinance was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held June 24, 2008 by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes: ROCKHOLM, WEYGANDT, HOLMES
Noes: UHLER, KRANZ
Absent: NONE

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Jim Holmes, CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Attest: Ann Holman, Clerk of said Board

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF PLACER, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN THAT:

WHEREAS, Section 207 of the Placer County Charter was amended by the voters of Placer County in 1992 to cap compensation for Supervisors in a maximum amount of \$30,000.00 per annum; and

WHEREAS, as a result of that initiative, Section 207 currently reads as follows:

Sec. 207 Compensation. Members of the Board of Supervisors shall receive compensation as established by ordinance from time to time. Until the effective date of the first such ordinance subsequent to the effective date of the Charter, members of the Board of Supervisors shall continue to receive the same compensation as now provided for by law.

Each member of the Board of Supervisors shall receive compensation in the maximum amount of \$30,000.00 per annum, which amount shall include the actual cost to the county of all benefits of whatever kind or nature, including but not limited to salary, per diem compensation, allowances, expense reimbursement, credit cards, health insurance, life insurance, leave, and retirement.

WHEREAS, on December 29, 1993, the Superior Court of Placer County in Ferreira vs. Williams, Case No. SCV-00553, ruled that the mandatory employer contributions for social security, workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, PERS, and reimbursement for actual expenses cannot be included in this compensation cap; and

WHEREAS, since 1992 there has been no modification of the compensation cap adopted by the voters in 1992; and

WHEREAS, the 2007-2008 Placer County Charter Review Committee has determined that the amount of time required to perform the duties of a Supervisor of the Board in Placer County is at least equivalent to a full-time position and has recommended that the compensation of the Board of Supervisors be increased; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors is authorized to propose amendments to the County Charter to the electorate; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer, State of California, that:

1. The Board of Supervisors orders that the following question be placed as a County measure on the ballot of the Statewide General Election to be held November 4, 2008, and that the County Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters take all actions necessary to effect such action:

Shall Article II, Section 207 of the Placer County Charter be amended to adjust the current \$30,000.00 maximum compensation for Placer County Supervisors, put in place by the voters of Placer County in 1992, to a maximum of \$48,000, effective January 1, 2009, with such amount adjusted each January 1 thereafter in accordance with a specially designated U.S. Department of Labor Consumer Price Index?

_____ Yes _____ No

2. That if a majority of the electorate approves the above question, that Section 207 of the Placer County Code shall be amended as follows:

Sec. 207 Compensation. Members of the Board of Supervisors shall receive compensation as established by ordinance from time to time. Until the effective date of the first such ordinance subsequent to the effective date of the Charter, members of the Board of Supervisors shall continue to receive the same compensation as now provided for by law.

Each member of the Board of Supervisors shall receive compensation in the maximum amount of ~~\$30,000.00~~ **\$48,000** per annum, which amount shall include the actual cost to the county of all benefits of whatever kind or nature, including but not limited to salary, per diem compensation, allowances, expense reimbursement, credit cards, health insurance, life insurance, leave, and retirement.

Effective January 1, 2010, the maximum compensation set by this provision shall be adjusted by a cost of living adjustment equal to a percent as determined each preceding year as measured by the index entitled "Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Price Index, U.S. Cities Average, Urban Wage Earners & Clerical Workers."

3. This ordinance is effective immediately pursuant to California Government Code Section 25123(a.)

MEASURE S

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PLACER COUNTY CHARTER REGARDING
COUNTY COUNSEL TERM OF OFFICE**

Shall Article V, Section 507 of the Placer County Charter be amended to change the terms of the County Counsel's employment from serving at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors to employment consistent with state general law, which provides for a four year term and removal during that term for neglect of duty, malfeasance or misconduct in office, or other good cause shown ?

YES _____ NO _____

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY PLACER COUNTY COUNSEL

This measure, if approved by a majority of those voting on the measure, would amend Section 507 of the Placer County Charter. This section of the Charter sets the terms of employment and the duties of the County Counsel. Currently, the County Counsel "serves at the will of the Board" which means that the County Counsel can be removed at any time, for any reason, by a majority vote of the Board of Supervisors.

This measure, if approved, would change the current "at will" employment to employment for a four-year term consistent with Government Code 27641. This section further provides that removal of the County Counsel during this term may occur because of "neglect of duty, malfeasance or misconduct in office, or other good cause shown". The section further requires that to remove the County Counsel, the Board be presented with a written accusation by a person not a member of the board, and that the Board of Supervisors conduct a hearing on the allegation. After the hearing, a three-fifths affirmative vote of the board would be necessary to remove the County Counsel.

A "YES" vote on this Measure would amend the County Charter to change the terms of the County Counsel's appointment from serving at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors to employment consistent with state general law, which provides for a four-year term and removal during that term for neglect of duty, malfeasance or misconduct in office, or other good cause shown.

A "NO" vote on this Measure is a vote against amending the County Charter as it pertains to the terms of employment of the County Counsel.

This analysis is submitted by the Office of the County Counsel of Placer County pursuant to the requirements of Section 9160 of the Elections Code of the State of California

Anthony J. La Bouff
County Counsel

By: Brian R. Wirtz
Deputy County Counsel

**NO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF
MEASURE S WAS SUBMITTED**

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE S

Measure S is a misguided solution to a problem that doesn't exist. It would prevent the Placer County Board of Supervisors from firing their own attorney, the County Counsel, except under rare circumstances that could be difficult and expensive to prove. If this measure is adopted, taxpayers could be forced to pay for both sides of a lawsuit if our Supervisors ever attempted to hire a different attorney, even if the County Counsel was under investigation for corruption or incompetence.

The County Counsel is among the highest-paid public employees in Placer County. There has never been a shortage of attorneys seeking this prestigious job. Even the proponents admit that the current County Counsel is in no danger of losing his job whether this measure passes or not. No one should blame a County Counsel for wanting more job security, but employee benefits always come at a price for taxpayers. In this case, the price is too high and taxpayers receive no benefit.

Our long-standing County Charter should not be amended willy-nilly to reward special interests or to pay back friends. Amendments often have unintended

consequences that can cause expensive problems in the future. Until there is a demonstrated need for change, we should support our charter and oppose frivolous amendments.

Measure S forces us to answer a very simple question: Should our elected Supervisors be forced to pay an un-elected attorney for up to four years, even if they cannot trust him, they have no confidence in him, or they think he is corrupt but cannot prove it? Would you keep paying your own attorney for four years if you didn't like him and couldn't trust him? We all know the answer is no!

Please vote no on Measure S.

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President, California Taxpayer Protection Committee
Jerry Simmons, Former President, Sierra College Board
Phil Ozenick, Former Placer County Supervisor District One

MEASURE Q

PROPOSAL TO ISSUE BONDS FOR COLFAX ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

To provide comparable quality classrooms and technology as other nearby schools, update electrical systems to improve student access to computers/modern technology, construct a science/computer/vocational classroom laboratory to provide job skills, install solar panels to reduce utility costs, shall Colfax School District issue \$2,500,000 of bonds at legal rates, to acquire, construct, repair, equip schools, with no money for administrators' salaries, independent public audits, and spending annually reviewed by a citizens' oversight committee?

BONDS YES _____

BONDS NO _____

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY PLACER COUNTY COUNSEL

This measure, if approved by fifty-five percent of the voters voting thereon, would authorize the sale of general obligation bonds by the Colfax Elementary School District (the "District") in the amount of \$2,500,000 (two million five hundred thousand dollars). The proceeds of the bonds would be used for the purposes described in the text of Measure Q, which precedes this analysis. Principal and interest on the bonds would be paid from a tax placed on the taxable property within the district. The District's estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue follows this analysis.

A general obligation bond is a form of borrowing commonly used to fund school facilities. By law, local general obligation bonds, financed through an increase in local property taxes, can be used for renovating, reconstructing, and building new facilities and for acquiring certain new equipment. To authorize such bond issuance, school districts can seek either two-thirds or 55% voter approval. If districts seek the 55% approval, as has been done by the District, they must meet additional accountability requirements.

In order to meet these additional accountability requirements, the Board of Trustees of the District has committed to the following:

- use the bond proceeds only for the purposes set forth in the ballot measure, and not for any other purpose, such as teacher and administrator salaries and other operating expenses.
- the safety, class size reduction and information technology needs of the District as well as the importance of the projects to student achievement and enhanced instruction has been evaluated prior to determining that bond issuance was necessary.

- to conduct annual independent performance audits to ensure that the bond proceeds are expended only for the projects in the ballot measure.
- to conduct annual, independent financial audits of the expenditure of the bond proceeds until all bond proceeds have been expended.
- to create a Citizen's Oversight Committee in compliance with Education Code Section 15278 no later than 60 days after the Board enters the election results in its minutes.

The District has confirmed that the proposed bonds would bear interest at a rate not exceeding the statutory limit per annum and the maturity of the bonds will not exceed the statutory maximum.

A "YES" vote on this Measure would authorize the Colfax Elementary School District to borrow money through the sale of bonds in an amount not exceeding \$2,500,000.00, such bonds to be repaid by revenue derived from an annual tax levied upon the taxable property within the District.

A "NO" vote on this Measure is a vote against authorizing the sale of bonds by the District.

This analysis is submitted by the Office of the County Counsel of Placer County pursuant to the requirements of Section 9500 of the Elections Code of the State of California

Anthony J. La Bouff
County Counsel

By: Brian R. Wirtz
Deputy County Counsel

EDUCATION CODE SECTION 15122.5(b) "Approval of Measure Q does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Colfax Elementary School District that are the subject of bonds under Measure Q will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure Q. The district's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure."

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE Q

Vote Yes on Measure Q.

Colfax Elementary School District students deserve the same opportunity to achieve academic success as other students throughout Placer County. Providing Colfax students with the modern, up-to-date tools they need to meet their goals has been a hallmark of our community for generations. As state academic standards continue to increase, we are seeking the support of Colfax residents to provide students with the tools necessary to meet these increasing standards.

Measure Q will provide students with 21st Century classrooms equipped with modern technology that will allow them to keep pace with students in other Placer County school districts. Electrical wiring will be upgraded and cabling will be installed to accommodate computers and modern technology.

Construction of a new applied academic laboratory will be funded by Measure Q. The laboratory will offer students vocational skills and exploration into career pathways and technical training for today's global economy.

Measure Q will also allow the District to install solar panels at Colfax Elementary School that will increase energy efficiency, reduce the District's utility costs and

make Colfax Elementary School District a leader in energy conservation.

Outdoor facilities will be renovated and repaired for greater student and community safety. Athletic fields and bleachers will be renovated, and a restroom facility will be built to accommodate our community's use of Colfax Elementary. Proper locker room facilities will be constructed on to the gymnasium to meet current health and safety codes.

By law, an Independent Citizens Oversight Committee must be created to ensure that only voter-approved expenditures and construction projects are completed. Annual fiscal and performance audits must be conducted and made public to ensure taxpayer accountability.

Join parents, teachers, business owners, seniors and community leaders and vote Yes on Measure Q.

Visit www.ColfaxKids2008.com for more information.

James E. Albright, Citizen
James J. Gargan, Citizen
Stephanie Gargan, Citizen
Ken Delfino, Citizen/Resident
Helen Wayland, Director of Colfax Heritage Museum

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE Q

Measure Q reads like a very long wish-list of things that would be great to have for our schools. But we simply can't afford all of these new taxes and spending.

Colfax is facing some tremendous challenges, with massive fines from the state and major potential increases in our sewer rates to pay for a new wastewater treatment plant. Our city is struggling.

On top of that, our economy is in a major downturn right now. Many people have lost their jobs, and some are teetering on the edge of losing their homes.

Now is certainly not the right time to raise taxes.

There are other problems with Measure Q as well. We simply shouldn't be paying for new technology in the

classrooms with a bond measure – that would be like taking out a 30-year mortgage on your home to buy a computer and a home theater system. 25 years from now, our kids shouldn't have to be paying for technology that is completely obsolete.

Vote No on Measure Q. It's the wrong decision, at the wrong time.

John Gagnon, Colfax Resident
Larry Tillotson, General Contractor/Colfax Resident
Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President California Taxpayer Protection Committee
George E. Park Jr., President, Placer County Republican Assembly

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE Q

We vigorously oppose this ill-timed, ill-conceived measure that will increase taxes.

Earlier this year, the Colfax Record printed a list of all the projects Colfax Elementary School could spend two and a half million dollars on if this bond passed. Among the listed items were an all-weather track, an outdoor stage, and new bleachers. Additionally, we understand the plan is to equip every classroom with space-age smart boards and surround sound. We question whether this is the right time to pay for these niceties given the trouble so many families are having simply holding onto their homes and paying for the rising cost of gas. This is particularly true given the assessments that residents may have to pay to fix the sewer system issues in the City of Colfax.

Even if the projects were worthwhile, however, Colfax Elementary is faced with declining enrollment. This means that fewer and fewer students are enrolling in the District each year. Meanwhile, the State has increased its per pupil funding in recent years. Thus, if the District

were properly managing its budget, it could easily afford some of these items. There is no need for a tax increase. The only reason a tax increase is being proposed is because the District simply refuses to tighten its belt and live within its means.

Measure Q will require property owners to pay over 26 Dollars per \$100,000 of assessed value of their homes and properties. This means the average homeowner in Colfax will be taxed nearly \$100 a year so that a classroom of 20 students can have surround sound and other niceties that can be deferred until economic times are better for all District residents.

Please vote no on Measure Q.

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party

Mike Spence, President, California Taxpayer Protection Committee

Jerry Simmons, Former President Sierra College Board
Rocky Warren, Retired Sheriff's Sergeant-Consultant

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE Q

Vote Yes on Measure Q

Measure Q will fund:

--Science, computer, and vocational classroom laboratories

--Upgrades to outdated electrical wiring and power to accommodate today's technology requirements

--Safe athletic facilities for the entire community

--A permanent shade structure at CES to protect students from the weather.

These are hardly "space age niceties" as some want you to believe.

We live in the 21st Century. The Colfax community shouldn't expect its students to meet today's increased educational standards using last century's tools.

Contrary to uninformed opinions, CESD has trimmed over \$700,000 from its budget in the past three years. Administrative personnel were cut, and the superintendent doubles as the principal.

CESD HAS DEMONSTRATED its ability to face the current school funding shortages while providing a quality education to students.

CESD qualifies for \$3,000,000.00 in state grants. This is money you already paid to the State through your income taxes. Voters must approve Measure Q to get state grants. Without Measure Q, your tax dollars will go to other school districts throughout the state, like San Francisco Unified School District or Los Angeles Unified School District.

Maybe that's why Mike Spence, a school board member in Los Angeles County, opposes Measure Q. Perhaps he wants to grab your state grant dollars and modernize his school district's classrooms.

Don't let people from outside Colfax dictate what's best for our children.

Tell Los Angeles County politicians to keep their hands off our state school grants!

Say YES to Colfax students!

Vote YES on Measure Q!

Visit www.ColfaxKids2008.com for more information.

James Gargan, property owner

Stephanie Gargan, property owner

Helen Wayland, Director Colfax Museum

Kenneth A. Delfino, Colfax Resident

RESOLUTION NO. 16 07/08

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE COLFAX ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
DISTRICT ORDERING AN ELECTION, AND
ESTABLISHING SPECIFICATIONS OF THE
ELECTION ORDER**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") has determined that Colfax Elementary School needs to be upgraded, repaired, improved, and better equipped, to enable the District to enhance the educational opportunities of all the students in the District; and

WHEREAS, the Colfax Elementary School District (the "District") has undertaken community outreach efforts to gather opinions of parents and community members as to their assessment of the District's facility needs; and

WHEREAS, the State of California (the "State") has been unable to provide the District with enough money for the District to adequately maintain, construct, repair, and equip Colfax Elementary School to provide an optimal learning environment for all students; and

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the Board, it is advisable to provide facility funding to both repair and upgrade Colfax Elementary School and to apply for additional State money, by means of a general obligation bond; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 46, approved by the voters of the State on June 3, 1986 ("Proposition 46"), amended Section 1(b) of Article XIII A of the California Constitution by adding a provision which exempts from the 1% of full cash value limitation, those ad valorem taxes used to pay for debt service of any bonded indebtedness for the acquisition or improvement of real property approved on or after July 1, 1978, by two-thirds of the votes cast by voters voting on the proposition; and

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2000 the voters of California approved the Smaller Classes, Safer Schools and Financial Accountability Act ("Proposition 39") which, as of its effective date, reduced the voter threshold for ad valorem tax levies used to pay for debt service or bonded indebtedness to 55% of the votes cast on a school district general obligation bond; and

WHEREAS, concurrent with the passage of Proposition 39, Chapter 1.5, Part 10, Division 1, Title 1 (commencing with Section 15264) of the Education Code (the "Act") became operative and established requirements associated with the implementation of Proposition 39; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to make certain findings herein to be applicable to this election order and to establish certain performance audits, standards of financial accountability and citizen oversight which are contained in Proposition 39 and the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Board hereby determines, in accordance with the opinion of the Attorney General of the State of California, that the restrictions in Proposition 39 which prohibit any bond money from being wasted or used for administrative salaries or other operating expenses of the District be strictly enforced by the Citizens' Oversight Committee; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Code Section 15270, based upon a projection of assessed property valuation, the Board has determined that, if approved by voters, the tax rate levied to meet the debt service requirements of the bonds proposed to be issued will not exceed the Proposition 39 limits per year per \$100,000 of assessed valuation of taxable property; and

WHEREAS, Section 9400 *et seq.* of the Elections Code of the State of California (the "Elections Code") requires that a tax rate statement be contained in all official materials, including any ballot pamphlet prepared, sponsored or distributed by the District, relating to the election; and

WHEREAS, the Board now desires to authorize the filing of a ballot argument in favor of the proposition to be submitted to the voters at the election; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the California Elections Code, it is appropriate for the Board to request consolidation of the election with any and all other elections to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2008, and to request that the Placer County Registrar of Voters perform certain election services for the District;

NOW THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE COLFAX ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the Board, pursuant to Education Code Sections 15100 *et seq.*, 15264 *et seq.*, and Government Code Section 53506, hereby requests the Placer County Registrar of Voters to conduct an election under the provisions of Proposition 39 and the Act and submit to the electors of the District the question of whether bonds of the District in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$2,500,000 (the "Bonds") shall be issued and sold for the purpose of raising money for the purposes described in Exhibits "A" and "B" hereto. Both exhibits are directed to be printed in the voter pamphlet.

Section 2. That the date of the election shall be November 4, 2008.

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Section 3. That the purpose of the election shall be for the voters in the District to vote on a proposition, a copy of which is attached hereto and marked Exhibit "A" and incorporated by reference herein, containing the question of whether the District shall issue the Bonds to pay for improvements to the extent permitted by such proposition. In compliance with Proposition 39 and the Act, the ballot proposition in Exhibit "A" is subject to the following requirements and determinations:

(a) the proceeds of the sale of the Bonds shall only be used for the purposes set forth in the ballot measure and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other operating expenses;

(b) that the Board, in establishing the projects set forth in Exhibit "B," evaluated the safety, class size reduction and information technology needs of the District as well as the importance of the projects to student achievement and enhanced instruction;

(c) that the Board will cause to be conducted an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the Bond moneys get expended for the projects identified in Exhibit "B" hereto;

(d) that the Board will cause an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of Bonds to be conducted until all of the Bond proceeds have been expended;

(e) that the Board will cause the appointment of a Citizens' Oversight Committee in compliance with Education Code Section 15278 no later than 60 days after the Board enters the election results in its minutes pursuant to Elections Code Section 15274; and

(f) that the tax levy authorized to secure the Bonds of this election shall not exceed the Proposition 39 limit per \$100,000 of taxable property in the District when assessed valuation is projected by the District to increase in accordance with Article XIII A of the California Constitution.

Section 4. That the authority for ordering the election is contained in Education Code Sections 15100 *et seq.*, 15264 *et seq.*, and Government Code Section 53506.

Section 5. That the authority for the specifications of this election order is contained in Sections 5322 of the Education Code.

Section 6. That the Placer County Registrar of Voters and the Placer County Board of Supervisors are hereby requested to consolidate the election ordered hereby with any and all other elections to be held on November 4, 2008 within the District.

Section 7. That the Secretary of the Board is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this Resolution to the Placer County Registrar of Voters no later than July 8, 2008.

Section 8. That the maturity of any Bonds issued pursuant to Section 15264 *et seq.* of the Education Code hereto shall have a maturity not exceeding twenty-five (25) years, and Bonds issued pursuant to Section 53506 of the Government Code shall have a maturity of not exceeding forty (40) years. The maximum rate of interest on any Bond shall not exceed the maximum rate allowed by Education Code Sections 15140 to 15143, as modified by Government Code Section 53531.

Section 9. That the Board requests the governing body of any such other political subdivision, or any officer otherwise authorized by law, to partially or completely consolidate such election and to further provide that the canvass be made by any body or official authorized by law to canvass the returns of the election, and that the Board consents to such consolidation.

Section 10. Pursuant to Section 5303 of the Education Code and Section 10002 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of Placer County is requested to permit the Registrar of Voters to render all services specified by Section 10418 of the Elections Code relating to the election, for which services the District agrees to reimburse Placer County, such services to include the printing of the Full Text Ballot Proposition in the voter pamphlet, the publication of a Formal Notice of School Bond Election and the mailing of the sample ballot and tax rate statement (described in Section 9401 of the Elections Code) pursuant to the terms of Section 5363 of the Education Code and Section 12112 of the Elections Code.

ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED this 16th day of June 2008.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE COLFAX
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

By Michelle Heimann
President

Attest: Jon Ray
Secretary

BOND PROJECT LIST

EXHIBIT B FULL TEXT BALLOT PROPOSITION OF THE COLFAX ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOND MEASURE ELECTION NOVEMBER 4, 2008

"To provide comparable quality classrooms and technology as other nearby schools, update electrical systems to improve student access to computers/modern technology, construct a science/computer/vocational classroom laboratory to provide job skills, install solar panels to reduce utility costs, shall Colfax School District issue \$2,500,000 of bonds at legal rates, to acquire, construct, repair, equip schools, with no money for administrators' salaries, independent public audits, and spending annually reviewed by a citizens' oversight committee?"

PRIORITY SCHOOL PROJECTS LIST

The Board of Trustees of the Colfax Elementary School District evaluated the District's urgent and critical facility needs, including safety issues, class size, energy efficiency and computer technology, in developing the scope of projects to be funded. In developing the scope of projects, teachers, staff and community members have prioritized the key health and safety needs so that the most critical facility needs are addressed. The Board conducted a facilities evaluation and received public input and review in developing the scope of facility projects to be funded. This input concluded that if these needs were not addressed now, the problem would only get worse. **In approving this Priority School Projects List, the Board of Trustees makes five important policy determinations:**

- (i) **It is important that Colfax students have access to the same high-quality classrooms, technology and school facilities as other children in Placer County; and**
- (ii) **It is critical that the District be held accountable, thus an independent citizens' oversight committee shall be established to review all bond expenditures to guarantee the money is spent as voters approved; and**
- (iii) **Independent annual public audits shall be conducted to make sure bond money is spent properly; and**
- (iv) **Upgrading electrical and power systems is vital for computer and technology instruction and additional solar panels should be installed to reduce utility bills and conserve energy.**

The Bond Project List is on file at the District Office of the Superintendent and includes the following projects:

PRIORITY SCHOOL PROJECTS

Colfax Elementary School

- Upgrade electrical and systems to improve access to computers and modern technology in classrooms and libraries.

- Upgrade classroom technology and infrastructure (fiberoptic cable, switches, new server) so that all classrooms are "SMART" classrooms.
- Upgrade heating, ventilation and air-conditioning system for energy efficiency and to reduce energy costs, install solar panels for cost savings.
- Renovate and upgrade classrooms, buildings and support areas to meet current teaching requirements and curriculum standards, add shade shelters, improve access for students and teachers with disabilities.
- Construct a new science, computer and vocational laboratory to provide students with real skills for real jobs.

Listed building, repair and rehabilitation projects and upgrades will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. In addition to the listed repair and construction projects stated above, the Priority School Projects List also includes the payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility assessment reviews, environmental studies and construction documentation, and temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by bond projects. The allocation of bond proceeds will be affected by the final costs of each project. In the absence of State matching funds, which the District will aggressively pursue to reduce the District's share of the costs of the projects, the District may not be able to complete some of the projects listed above. Certain projects may be undertaken as joint use projects in cooperation with other local public agencies. The budget for each project is an estimate and may be affected by factors beyond the District's control. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded and projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each project, certain of the projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. In the event there are sufficient bond moneys available, the District would increase locker room capacity and install an all weather field and track, bleachers and required restrooms. Demolition of existing facilities and reconstruction of facilities scheduled for repair and upgrade may occur, if the Board determines that such an approach would be more cost-effective in creating more enhanced and operationally efficient campuses. Necessary site preparation/restoration may occur in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing,

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replacing, or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, redirecting fire access, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property. Bond proceeds shall only be expended for the specific purposes identified herein. Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District staff when performing work on or necessary and incidental to the bond projects. The District shall create an account into which proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code § 53410.

FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY. IN ACCORDANCE WITH EDUCATION CODE SECTION 15272, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WILL APPOINT A CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE AND CONDUCT ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDITS TO ASSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT ONLY ON DISTRICT PROJECTS AND FOR NO OTHER PURPOSE. THE EXPENDITURE OF BOND MONEY ON THESE PROJECTS IS SUBJECT TO STRINGENT FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS. BY LAW, PERFORMANCE AND

FINANCIAL AUDITS WILL BE PERFORMED ANNUALLY, AND ALL BOND EXPENDITURES WILL BE MONITORED BY AN INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO ENSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT AS PROMISED AND SPECIFIED. THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MUST INCLUDE, AMONG OTHERS, REPRESENTATION OF A BONA FIDE TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION, A BUSINESS ORGANIZATION AND A SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION. NO DISTRICT EMPLOYEES OR VENDORS ARE ALLOWED TO SERVE ON THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

NO ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES. PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF THE BONDS AUTHORIZED BY THIS PROPOSITION SHALL BE USED ONLY FOR THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, REHABILITATION, OR REPLACEMENT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES, INCLUDING THE FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOL FACILITIES, AND NOT FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE, INCLUDING TEACHER AND SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES.

TAX RATE STATEMENT

An election will be held in the Colfax Elementary School District (the "District") on November 4, 2008, for the purpose of submitting to the electors of the District the question of incurring a bonded indebtedness of the District in a principal amount of \$2,500,000. If such bonds are authorized and sold, the principal thereof and interest thereon will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information regarding tax rates is given to comply with Section 9401 of the California Elections Code. Such information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District, and other demonstrable factors.

Based upon the foregoing and projections of the District's assessed valuation, and assuming the entire debt service will be paid through property taxation:

1. The best estimate of the tax which would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement is \$26.35 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation for the year 2009-10.

2. The best estimate from official sources of the tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue during the first fiscal year after the last sale of the bonds and an estimate of the year in which that

rate will apply based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement is \$26.35 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation for the year 2009-10.

3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue and an estimate of the year in which that rate will apply based on estimated assessed valuation available at the time of filing this statement is \$26.50 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation for the year 2017-18.

Attention to all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon projections and estimates only. The actual times of sales of said bonds and the amount sold at any given time will be governed by the needs of the District and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold, which in any event will not exceed the maximum permitted by law, will depend upon the bond market at the time of sales. The actual assessed valuations in the future years will depend upon the value of property within the District as determined in the assessment and the equalization process. Hence, the actual tax rates and the years in which such rates are applicable may vary from those presently estimated as above stated.

Jon Ray
Superintendent
Colfax Elementary School District

MEASURE R

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PLACER COUNTY CHARTER REGARDING
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COMPENSATION**

Shall Article II, Section 207 of the Placer County Charter be amended to adjust the current \$30,000.00 maximum compensation for Placer County Supervisors, put in place by the voters of Placer County in 1992, to a maximum of \$48,000, effective January 1, 2009, with such amount adjusted each January 1 thereafter in accordance with a specially designated U.S. Department of Labor Consumer Price Index?

YES _____ NO _____

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY PLACER COUNTY COUNSEL

This measure, if approved by a majority of those voting on the measure, would amend Section 207 of the Placer County Charter. This section of the Charter sets compensation of the members of the Placer County Board of Supervisors.

Currently, each member of the Board of Supervisors receives a salary of \$30,000 per annum, which represents the entire compensation paid to each member, with the exception of mandatory employer contributions for social security, workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, retirement, and reimbursement for actual expenses. The current \$30,000 compensation level was established in 1992 and has not changed since then.

This measure, if approved, would amend the current compensation in two ways. First, the compensation would be raised from \$30,000 to \$48,000 per year; this increase would go into effect on January 1, 2009. Second, beginning on January 1, 2010 and each year after that, the compensation would be adjusted according to the increase in the U.S. Department of Labor Consumer Price Index for the prior year.

A "YES" vote on this Measure would be to amend the County Charter to increase the salaries of the members of the Board of Supervisors from \$30,000 to \$48,000, with future increases based on the Consumer Price Index.

A "NO" vote on this Measure is a vote against increasing the salaries of the members of the Board of Supervisors.

This analysis is submitted by the Office of the County Counsel of Placer County pursuant to the requirements of Section 9160 of the Elections Code of the State of California

Anthony J. La Bouff
County Counsel

By: Brian R. Wirtz
Deputy County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE R

The residents and businesses of Placer County deserve the best governance possible. The Placer County Supervisors manage a budget of over a half a billion dollars a year. Compensation for County Supervisors has been frozen at \$30,000 per year for sixteen years, with no benefits.

This full-time work, validated by the Charter Review Committee, in governing one of the most rapidly growing counties in the nation is extremely demanding of the elected officials in terms of attending agency meetings, reviewing materials, dealing with constituent issues and providing services to the public.

While the county consistently provides high quality services in fiscally responsible manner, the pool of candidates is highly restricted given the hours required for the position and current compensation.

- A modest increase to \$48,000 per year for one of the most important jobs in elected positions in a county with a budget of more than \$700 million is reasonable.

- Placer County needs and deserves full time representation commensurate with the responsibilities associated with governing our dynamic county.
- Placer County is a dynamic, growing County—one of the best Counties in the entire State of California and our Supervisors are compensated at one of the lowest levels in the State—on par with counties like Modoc, Alpine and Sierra, who have the lowest populations and smallest budgets in the State!

Placer County is an outstanding place to live, work and raise a family and needs and deserves full time representation commensurate with the responsibilities associated with governing our dynamic county.

Harriet White, Retired Placer County Supervisor
Annabell McCord, Member, Placer County Charter Review Commission

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE R

Who manages the services provided by Placer County government?

FACT: Placer County pays a County Executive Officer \$231,000 a year, **and** gives him a staff to run the affairs of the county. The Board of Supervisors only role is to set policy and provide input to the budget.

Supervisors believe that taxpayers don't pay them enough, why then do they campaign for the job?

FACT: Supervisors receive **extra perks** above an annual salary, including a county car, a credit card for travel, meals, and hotels, as well as a personal cell phone. Credit card usage ranges to \$3,200 annually.

In 1998 Supervisors thought they deserved a 17% raise, but voters rejected it despite the League of Taxpayers remaining neutral.

FACT: The requirement for Supervisors to request a raise from voters, is a REPORT CARD from the

public. No wonder the Supes want to do away with this protection!

It's a slippery slope to allow supervisors to give themselves raises. **Do voters want the Board of Supervisors to govern like the California Legislature?**

VOTERS NOW HAVE A SAY ON SUPERVISOR PAY.

FACT: Measure R would END that with a small print section, tying raises to an arbitrary CPI index.

RETAIN YOUR SAY ON SUPERVISOR PAY!

VOTE NO ON MEASURE R

Wally Reemelin, President League of Placer County Taxpayers
Harvey Easley, Former: Auburn Mayor
Ben Mavy, Former Secretary, Placer County Republican Party

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE R

Voters now have a voice in Supervisor compensation due to County Charter Amendment 207 placed on the ballot by the League of Placer County Taxpayers and approved by over 60 percent of voters in 1992. YOU, THE VOTER, NOW HAVE A SAY ON PAY.

Measure R would change that.

Supervisor pay would be on automatic pilot to increase each year due to the Consumer Price Index part of Measure R. (CPI = cost of things). Supervisors could ignore voter wishes and yet continue their pay increase. Measure R would increase Supervisor pay exponentially to \$54,000 in 4 years and almost \$61,000 by 8 years

Economic conditions NOW indicate a surge in CPI such that pay rates could increase by a third more than this.

RETAIN YOUR SAY ON PAY. VOTE NO ON R.

Harvey B. Easley, Former Auburn Mayor
Norma M. Harris, CEO, Auburn Iron Works/Harris Industrial Gases
Wally Reemelin, President League of Placer County Taxpayers
Phil Ozenick, Former Placer County Supervisor, District One
Ben Mavy, Former Secretary Placer County Republican Party

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE R

As residents of Placer County we are fortunate to live in one of the best communities in the State. This didn't happen by accident. We have prospered because a few individuals have given their time, commitment and service.

Your Yes vote on Measure R is critical to Placer County.

- The five elected members of the Board of Supervisors manage a budget of over \$800 million per year, overseeing Placer County and all of its services to residents and visitors.
- This more than full-time job, as validated by the Charter Review Committee, requires much time and commitment in order to provide policy direction and high quality services available to all.

Our Supervisors' annual salary of \$30,000 per year is near the bottom of the 58 counties in California, yet Placer consistently ranks as one of the best places to live, work, visit, and raise a family.

- Residents and businesses of our county deserve the best governance possible.

- Compensation for County Supervisors has been frozen at \$30,000 per year for 16 years, with no benefits.
- Having quality, caring and capable leaders is essential to good government and the well being of the people of Placer.

This is a small increase to \$48,000 per year—including a modest cost of living allowance.

Placer County needs and deserves full time representation and compensation in line with the responsibilities of governing such a growing and dynamic place to live.

Please vote Yes on Measure R! Thank you.

Alex Ferreira, Former Placer County Supervisor
Jim Gray, Mayor of Roseville
Primo Santini, Mayor of Lincoln
E. Ken Tokutomi, CPA: Past President – Placer Co. Board Ed.

ORDINANCE NO. 5514-B

The following Ordinance was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held June 24, 2008 by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes: ROCKHOLM, WEYGANDT, HOLMES
Noes: UHLER, KRANZ
Absent: NONE

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Jim Holmes, CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Attest: Ann Holman, Clerk of said Board

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF PLACER, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN THAT:

WHEREAS, Section 207 of the Placer County Charter was amended by the voters of Placer County in 1992 to cap compensation for Supervisors in a maximum amount of \$30,000.00 per annum; and

WHEREAS, as a result of that initiative, Section 207 currently reads as follows:

Sec. 207 Compensation. Members of the Board of Supervisors shall receive compensation as established by ordinance from time to time. Until the effective date of the first such ordinance subsequent to the effective date of the Charter, members of the Board of Supervisors shall continue to receive the same compensation as now provided for by law.

Each member of the Board of Supervisors shall receive compensation in the maximum amount of \$30,000.00 per annum, which amount shall include the actual cost to the county of all benefits of whatever kind or nature, including but not limited to salary, per diem compensation, allowances, expense reimbursement, credit cards, health insurance, life insurance, leave, and retirement.

WHEREAS, on December 29, 1993, the Superior Court of Placer County in Ferreira vs. Williams, Case No. SCV-00553, ruled that the mandatory employer contributions for social security, workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, PERS, and reimbursement for actual expenses cannot be included in this compensation cap; and

WHEREAS, since 1992 there has been no modification of the compensation cap adopted by the voters in 1992; and

WHEREAS, the 2007-2008 Placer County Charter Review Committee has determined that the amount of time required to perform the duties of a Supervisor of the Board in Placer County is at least equivalent to a full-time position and has recommended that the compensation of the Board of Supervisors be increased; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors is authorized to propose amendments to the County Charter to the electorate; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer, State of California, that:

- 1. The Board of Supervisors orders that the following question be placed as a County measure on the ballot of the Statewide General Election to be held November 4, 2008, and that the County Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters take all actions necessary to effect such action:

Shall Article II, Section 207 of the Placer County Charter be amended to adjust the current \$30,000.00 maximum compensation for Placer County Supervisors, put in place by the voters of Placer County in 1992, to a maximum of \$48,000, effective January 1, 2009, with such amount adjusted each January 1 thereafter in accordance with a specially designated U.S. Department of Labor Consumer Price Index?

_____ Yes _____ No

- 2. That if a majority of the electorate approves the above question, that Section 207 of the Placer County Code shall be amended as follows:

Sec. 207 Compensation. Members of the Board of Supervisors shall receive compensation as established by ordinance from time to time. Until the effective date of the first such ordinance subsequent to the effective date of the Charter, members of the Board of Supervisors shall continue to receive the same compensation as now provided for by law.

Each member of the Board of Supervisors shall receive compensation in the maximum amount of ~~\$30,000.00~~ **\$48,000** per annum, which amount shall include the actual cost to the county of all benefits of whatever kind or nature, including but not limited to salary, per diem compensation, allowances, expense reimbursement, credit cards, health insurance, life insurance, leave, and retirement.

Effective January 1, 2010, the maximum compensation set by this provision shall be adjusted by a cost of living adjustment equal to a percent as determined each preceding year as measured by the index entitled "Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Price Index, U.S. Cities Average, Urban Wage Earners & Clerical Workers."

- 3. This ordinance is effective immediately pursuant to California Government Code Section 25123(a.)

MEASURE S

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PLACER COUNTY CHARTER REGARDING
COUNTY COUNSEL TERM OF OFFICE**

Shall Article V, Section 507 of the Placer County Charter be amended to change the terms of the County Counsel's employment from serving at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors to employment consistent with state general law, which provides for a four year term and removal during that term for neglect of duty, malfeasance or misconduct in office, or other good cause shown ?

YES _____ NO _____

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY PLACER COUNTY COUNSEL

This measure, if approved by a majority of those voting on the measure, would amend Section 507 of the Placer County Charter. This section of the Charter sets the terms of employment and the duties of the County Counsel. Currently, the County Counsel "serves at the will of the Board" which means that the County Counsel can be removed at any time, for any reason, by a majority vote of the Board of Supervisors.

This measure, if approved, would change the current "at will" employment to employment for a four-year term consistent with Government Code 27641. This section further provides that removal of the County Counsel during this term may occur because of "neglect of duty, malfeasance or misconduct in office, or other good cause shown". The section further requires that to remove the County Counsel, the Board be presented with a written accusation by a person not a member of the board, and that the Board of Supervisors conduct a hearing on the allegation. After the hearing, a three-fifths affirmative vote of the board would be necessary to remove the County Counsel.

A "YES" vote on this Measure would amend the County Charter to change the terms of the County Counsel's appointment from serving at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors to employment consistent with state general law, which provides for a four-year term and removal during that term for neglect of duty, malfeasance or misconduct in office, or other good cause shown.

A "NO" vote on this Measure is a vote against amending the County Charter as it pertains to the terms of employment of the County Counsel.

This analysis is submitted by the Office of the County Counsel of Placer County pursuant to the requirements of Section 9160 of the Elections Code of the State of California

Anthony J. La Bouff
County Counsel

By: Brian R. Wirtz
Deputy County Counsel

**NO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF
MEASURE S WAS SUBMITTED**

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE S

Measure S is a misguided solution to a problem that doesn't exist. It would prevent the Placer County Board of Supervisors from firing their own attorney, the County Counsel, except under rare circumstances that could be difficult and expensive to prove. If this measure is adopted, taxpayers could be forced to pay for both sides of a lawsuit if our Supervisors ever attempted to hire a different attorney, even if the County Counsel was under investigation for corruption or incompetence.

The County Counsel is among the highest-paid public employees in Placer County. There has never been a shortage of attorneys seeking this prestigious job. Even the proponents admit that the current County Counsel is in no danger of losing his job whether this measure passes or not. No one should blame a County Counsel for wanting more job security, but employee benefits always come at a price for taxpayers. In this case, the price is too high and taxpayers receive no benefit.

Our long-standing County Charter should not be amended willy-nilly to reward special interests or to pay back friends. Amendments often have unintended

consequences that can cause expensive problems in the future. Until there is a demonstrated need for change, we should support our charter and oppose frivolous amendments.

Measure S forces us to answer a very simple question: Should our elected Supervisors be forced to pay an un-elected attorney for up to four years, even if they cannot trust him, they have no confidence in him, or they think he is corrupt but cannot prove it? Would you keep paying your own attorney for four years if you didn't like him and couldn't trust him? We all know the answer is no!

Please vote no on Measure S.

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President, California Taxpayer Protection Committee
Jerry Simmons, Former President, Sierra College Board
Phil Ozenick, Former Placer County Supervisor District One

ORDINANCE NO. 5513-B

The following Ordinance was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held June 24, 08 by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes: ROCKHOLM, WEYGANDT, UHLER, KRANZ, HOLMES

Noes: NONE

Absent: NONE

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Jim Holmes
CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Attest:
Clerk of said Board
Ann Holman

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF PLACER, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN THAT:

WHEREAS, the 2007-2008 Placer County Charter Review Committee recommended that a Charter amendment be proposed to amend Section 507 of the Placer County Charter to change the employment of the County Counsel from serving at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors to terms consistent with Section 27641 of the Government Code; and

WHEREAS, Section 507 of the Placer County Charter currently reads as follows:

Sec. 507 County Counsel. The County Counsel shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors and serve at its pleasure. Unless his duties are otherwise prescribed or modified by an ordinance of the Board, he shall have all the powers and duties of a County Counsel now or hereafter set forth in the general laws; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 27641 provides that, under general state law, a county counsel shall serve for a four-year term and can only be removed from office during that term for neglect of duty, malfeasance or misconduct in office, or other good cause shown; and

WHEREAS, the 2007-2008 Placer County Charter Review Committee suggested that the change be made to as it was felt that state law was more in keeping with the goal of Placer County receiving the best possible legal advice

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer, State of California, that:

- 1. The Board of Supervisors orders that the following question be placed as a County measure on the ballot of the Statewide General Election to be held November 4, 2008:

Shall Article V, Section 507 of the Placer County Charter be amended to change the terms of the County Counsel's employment from serving at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors to employment consistent with state general law, which provides for a four year term and removal during that term for neglect of duty, malfeasance or misconduct in office, or other good cause shown ?

_____ Yes _____ No

- 2. That if a majority of the electorate approves the above question, that Section 507 of the Placer County Code shall be amended as follows:

Sec. 507 County Counsel. The County Counsel shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors and serve at its pleasure according to the terms of Government Code section 27641 as currently enacted or hereafter amended including any successor statute enacted by the State Legislature to replace it. Unless his duties are otherwise prescribed or modified by an ordinance of the Board, he shall have all the powers and duties of a County Counsel now or hereafter set forth in the general laws.

- 3. This ordinance is effective immediately pursuant to California Government Code Section 25123, as it relates to an election.

MEASURE T

**PROPOSAL TO AUTHORIZE A SPECIAL TAX IN THE
ALTA-DUTCH FLAT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Shall the Alta-Dutch Flat Union School District, in order to protect our neighborhood school's academic excellence, reduce state budget cut impacts, limit class size increases, preserve academic programs, materials, and facilities, and maintain local control, collect \$45.00 per taxable parcel annually for four years beginning July 1, 2009, with citizen oversight and exemptions for taxpayers aged 65 and older?

YES _____ NO _____

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY PLACER COUNTY COUNSEL

The Alta-Dutch Flat Union Elementary School District proposes to levy a parcel tax of \$45.00 (forty-five dollars) per year on each parcel located within the boundaries of the District. This special tax would begin on July 1, 2009 and continue for four years.

The district proposes to use the funds raised by this parcel tax to pay for various programs as described in the ballot measure, as the district has determined that the State funding alone does not provide sufficient revenues to provide quality education for children in the district. A Senior Citizen's Exemption from the tax will be available to parcel owners 65 years old and older who use that parcel for his or her principal residence.

The proposed special tax, which would be imposed upon the passage of this measure, would be an annual tax upon parcels of property commencing with the 2009-2010 tax year and continuing for four years. The special tax would continue to be collected in the same manner as ad valorem taxes are collected by the county.

Measure T must receive approval by two-thirds (2/3) of the votes cast by the voters voting upon the measure to be considered approved by the voters. The complete terms of this measure can be reviewed in Alta-Dutch Flat Union Elementary School District Resolution No. 09-08.

A "YES" vote on Measure T means that each taxable parcel located within the boundaries of the Alta-Dutch Flat Union Elementary School District will be taxed at a rate of \$45.00 per year for a 4-year period beginning on July 1, 2009, except as to parcel owners qualifying for the senior citizen's exemption.

A "NO" vote on the Measure T parcel tax means that the parcel tax will not be levied.

This analysis is submitted by the Office of the County Counsel of Placer County pursuant to the requirements of Section 9500 of the Elections Code of the State of California

Anthony J. La Bouff
County Counsel

By: Brian R. Wirtz
Deputy County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE T

The Alta-Dutch Flat School District needs your help. A YES vote is needed to maintain our excellent school programs.

The school has been a community cornerstone for over seventy years and is a California Distinguished School. However, the school has experienced both a reduction in government funding and a decline in enrollment. These problems are common to many schools, but present extra challenges for small schools.

The school board has made difficult decisions for 2008-09. It has reduced administrative services, staff and all other possible expenses.

The district continues to carefully manage its finances while maintaining the state required reserves necessary for contingencies. But, the budget cutting has been offset by rising costs and could ultimately deplete our reserve funds if unexpected financial demands arise.

Can the schools be maintained? YES! The Board of Trustees concluded that the district has made every effort to cut costs, and has exhausted every possible source of funding. Therefore, the Board asks the voters to approve a modest, temporary parcel tax of \$45 per year for four years. Taxpayers aged 65 and older are eligible for exemption.

What does my vote mean?

A NO vote means that the district's financial situation will remain vulnerable, with closure of the schools a very real possibility.

A YES vote allows the district to maintain its excellent educational programs for the children in our communities. Revenues will be used to provide necessary instructional supplies, staff support, facility maintenance, and adequate budget reserves.

Our communities' leaders and persons of all backgrounds and points of view support measure T. This support reflects a belief that the schools' contribution to the community is worth more than the less-than-one dollar per week tax on a temporary basis.

Please join us in voting YES.

David Rosenquist, President, Alta-Dutch Flat Board of Trustees

Lynn Oliver, Trustee, Placer County Board of Education
Eleanor Bridges, Dutch Flat V.F.D. Auxillary, Board Member-at-Large, Dutch Flat Community Center
Ernie Bullard, Director, Dutch Flat Mutual Water Co.

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE T

The Alta-Dutch Flat School needs to go back to the drawing board because Measure T is an unfair tax.

This measure will tax a tiny sliver of vacant land the same as an enormous mansion on a 30 acre parcel. The owner of a tiny sliver of land will pay the same amount as a property owner with multiple houses on a lot.

The school has chosen to allow seniors, no matter their economic situation, to opt out of paying this tax. No matter the justification for such a policy, it reeks of discrimination. Either allow ALL residents to opt out who can't afford the tax, or allow none.

If keeping a school in town is important to residents, there is no prohibition on sending a check to the school. Taxing those who can least afford it while giving others a free pass is shameful, and should be rejected.

Please **VOTE NO** on Measure T

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party

Mike Spence, President California Taxpayer Protection Committee

George E Park Jr, President, Placer County Rep. Assembly

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE T

This measure reminds us of the high school health class lecture to hormone-crazed young men that "When a girl says No, you stop." Voters have already rejected this unfair tax twice in the last two years.

This election will cost the district thousands of dollars. Three unnecessary elections have wasted a great deal of money that could have been spent on students. Instead, the District is wasting precious resources to convince voters that their taxes aren't high enough.

Measure T will **INCREASE PROPERTY TAXES** currently paid for schools by \$45/year. The proponents claim they need more revenue because the Alta-Dutch Flat Union School District has suffered declining student enrollment. Somehow, they think that fewer students require more spending, instead of less spending. This is illogical and unjustified by the facts. No one honestly expects the District to follow this logic by offering a tax cut when the student population increases.

While \$45 is a modest tax increase, our schools are already receiving about \$12,000 per student on average.

Property owners are paying higher taxes for fire protection, parks, high schools, bonds, vector control, etc. Where will it end? When will they live within their means?

Measure T is a REGRESSIVE TAX, charging the same amount regardless of the value of the property, even for vacant land. Wealthy and influential property owners may prefer a flat-rate for everyone, but does that make it fair? The District has added to the unfairness of this tax by exempting seniors, no matter how wealthy they are or how many students live on their property. It might be legal to discriminate against young families struggling to buy their first home, but that does not make it right. Voters should reject this cynical ploy.

Please vote NO on Measure T.

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President, California Taxpayer Protection Committee
Jerry Simmons, Former President Sierra College Board

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE T

The argument against Measure T is over-inflated and easily negated.

The opponents claim that Measure T is "unjustified by the facts". *Unsurprisingly, they offer no facts because they have no facts.*

The district is the exact opposite of a bloated, inefficient government bureaucracy. It operates a no-frills school, with a history of deep cuts to administration, teaching and clerical staff. Such cuts have been insufficient and further cuts jeopardize the school's core functions.

Measure T is temporary. Over its four-year span, parcel owners will pay less than \$200 to support an award-winning, longstanding cornerstone of our community.

The opponents allege the school receives \$12,000 per student. **Wrong!** The actual state allocation is \$5,637.

They claim previous parcel tax elections have "wasted a great deal of money". **Wrong again!** Those elections cost less than \$50.00.

Opponents neglect to mention that on each prior measure, a majority of voters, although not the required two-thirds, approved a parcel tax. These majorities would be called landslide victories in any other context.

The argument against Measure T is clearly an off-the-shelf, knee-jerk, anti-tax reaction. It was written by individuals with a political agenda, neither living, nor having an interest, in our community. The closure of our school would have no impact on them whatsoever.

The intrusion of outsiders from Rocklin, Roseville and Los Angeles into our community underscores the very need for Measure T: Vote YES to maintain a local school by maintaining local control.

Lynn Oliver, Trustee, Placer County Board of Education
Eleanor Bridges, Director, Dutch V.F.D. Auxillary
Ernie Bullard, Director, Dutch Flat Mutual Water Company
David Rosenquist, President, Alta-Dutch Flat Board of Trustees
Joel C. Baiocchi, Attorney at Law; Trustee, Alta-Dutch Flat Board of Trustees

RESOLUTION No. 09-08

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ALTA-DUTCH FLAT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT ORDERING A PARCEL TAX ELECTION BE HELD IN ITS JURISDICTION; REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO CONSOLIDATE THIS ELECTION WITH ANY OTHER ELECTION CONDUCTED ON SAID DATE; AND REQUESTING ELECTION SERVICES BY THE COUNTY CLERK.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Alta-Dutch Flat Union School District (the "District") has determined that the present revenues of the District are inadequate to fund the cost of education within said District, and

WHEREAS, without authorization by the voters for a parcel assessment, immediate and substantial reduction and elimination of educational programs and services will be necessary and will have a severe impact on the children of the District; and

WHEREAS, the District has engaged in a variety of efforts to generate funds for the educational program, including many local fundraising efforts, and has undertaken cost-cutting measures, including employee layoffs, reduction in staffing, and reduction of programs and services beneficial and necessary to the students of the District; and

WHEREAS, a thorough and developed public education program delivers many long-lasting benefits and advantages to all the residents of our community; and

WHEREAS, Section 4 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and Sections 50075, 50075.1, 50075.3, 50075.5, 50076, 50077, 50079, and 53720 et seq. of the California Government Code authorize school districts, upon approval by two-thirds (2/3) of the electorate voting on the measure, to levy a special tax to raise funds for the purpose of conducting its business upon the approval of two-thirds of the votes cast by voters voting upon such a special tax proposal; and

WHEREAS, the Board held a public hearing on June 13, 2008, which was duly noticed where all interested persons have been heard on the matter of holding an election in the District on the matter of levying a qualified special tax on each parcel in the District; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the Board conduct an election on November 4, 2008, at which will be submitted to the qualified voters of the District a measure to authorize a special tax for the purpose of continuing vital educational programs critical to the educational process in the schools of the District; and

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Education of the Alta-Dutch Flat Union School District does hereby resolve, determine, and order as follows:

Section 1. Said election is hereby called to be held within the boundaries of the District, at which election shall be submitted to the qualified voters within the District the following measure, to wit:

"MEASURE"

Shall the Alta-Dutch Flat Union School District, in order to protect our neighborhood school's academic excellence, reduce state budget cut impacts, limit class size increases, preserve academic programs, materials, and facilities, and maintain local control, collect \$45.00 per taxable parcel annually for four years beginning July 1, 2009, with citizen oversight and exemptions for taxpayers aged 65 and older?

The special tax will be imposed in the amount of \$45.00 per year for each assessor's parcel. For a parcel owner age 65 or older who uses that parcel as his or her principal place of residence, to be entitled to a Senior Citizens Exemption from the special tax, such a parcel owner, as such owner is shown on the latest current assessment roll, shall submit proof of entitlement to an exemption from the special tax, in a manner satisfactory to the District, proving such parcel is owned individually or in common with others. Partnerships, corporations, trusts, and other entities may not be entitled to an exemption, in the discretion of the District. The Board, in consultation with the county assessors, shall adopt, after public hearing, further rules and regulations governing the within exemption.

Section 2. Commencing on July 1, 2009, the special tax collected annually on all assessor's parcels at the rate specified above, shall be collected and administered in the same manner as *ad valorem* property taxes are fixed and collected under provisions of the California Revenue and Taxation Code.

Section 3. The Board is hereby requested to call an election of the said special tax to be held on November 4, 2008. The Placer County Clerk is hereby requested and authorized to: 1) set forth said measure on all ballots relating to said election to be mailed to the qualified electors of the District; and 2) to provide absent voter ballots for said special tax election for use by qualified electors of the District who are entitled thereto in the manner provided by law.

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**MEASURE T RESOLUTION
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The Board requests that the District's election be consolidated with any and all elections to be held on the same date as specified above.

Section 4. If any section, sub-section, phrase, or clause of this resolution is for any reason held to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this resolution. This Board of Trustees declares that it would have adopted this resolution and each section, sub-section, phrase, or clause thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, sub-sections, sentences, phrases, or clauses shall be declared invalid.

Section 5. The Board shall provide in each year (pursuant to section 7902.1 of the California government Code or any successor provision of law) for any increase in the District's appropriations limit as shall be necessary to ensure that proceeds of the parcel tax may be spent for the authorized purposes.

Section 6. The President of the Board and/or his designees are hereby authorized to prepare and file with the Registrar of Voters a ballot argument in favor of the proposition, or act as an author of any ballot argument prepared in connection with the election including a rebuttal argument, each within the time established by the Registrar of Voters, which shall be considered the official ballot arguments of the Board as sponsor of the proposition.

Section 7. The Clerk of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to certify to the due adoption of this resolution and to transmit a copy hereof so certified to the Placer County Superintendent of Schools and to file a copy hereof so certified with the Placer County Clerk.

Section 8. The district hereby certifies that there have been no district boundary line changes since our last election, but the district understands that the Placer County Mapping Division will verify our district boundary lines prior to the election.

Section 9. Pursuant to Government Code Section 50075.3, the Board directs the chief fiscal officer of the District to file a report with the Board each year containing the amount of funds collected and expended.

The foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Governing Board of the Alta-Dutch Flat Union School District this 13th day of June 2008, by the following vote:

Ayes: Rosenquist, Ostrom, Mutto, Baiocchi,
Vrooman
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstention: None

ATTEST:
David Rosenquist, President of the Board
Debra Sandoval, Secretary of the Board

MEASURE U

**PROPOSAL TO ISSUE BONDS FOR THE SCHOOL FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT
DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE TAHOE TRUCKEE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

To improve energy efficiency, replace portable classrooms, upgrade computer/instructional technology, expand career/vocational classrooms, meet seismic safety/snow load requirements, shall Facilities Improvement District No. 1 of the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District issue \$93,530,000 of bonds at legal rates to renovate, acquire, construct, repair, equip Truckee area schools, sites, facilities, with independent financial audits, citizens' oversight, no money for administrators' salaries and maintain 1999 voter approved tax rates?

BONDS YES _____

BONDS NO _____

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY PLACER COUNTY COUNSEL

This measure, if approved by fifty-five percent of the voters voting thereon, would authorize the sale of general obligation bonds by the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District (the "District") in the amount of \$93,530,000 (ninety-three million five hundred thirty thousand dollars). The proceeds of the bonds would be used for the purposes described in the text of Measure U, which precedes this analysis. Principal and interest on the bonds would be paid from a tax placed on the taxable property within the district. The District's estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue follows this analysis.

A general obligation bond is a form of borrowing commonly used to fund school facilities. By law, local general obligation bonds, financed through an increase in local property taxes, can be used for renovating, reconstructing, and building new facilities and for acquiring certain new equipment. To authorize such bond issuance, school districts can seek either two-thirds or 55% voter approval. If districts seek the 55% approval, as has been done by the District, they must meet additional accountability requirements.

In order to meet these additional accountability requirements, the Board of Trustees of the District has committed to the following:

- use the bond proceeds only for the purposes set forth in the ballot measure, and not for any other purpose such as teacher and administrator salaries and other operating expenses.
- the safety, class size reduction and information technology needs of the District as well as the importance of the projects to student achievement and enhanced instruction has been evaluated prior to determining that bond issuance was necessary.

- to conduct annual independent performance audits to ensure that the bond proceeds are expended only for the projects in the ballot measure.
- to conduct annual, independent financial audits of the expenditure of the bond proceeds until all bond proceeds have been expended.
- to create a Citizen's Oversight Committee in compliance with Education Code Section 15278 no later than 60 days after the Board enters the election results in its minutes.

The District has confirmed that the proposed bonds would bear interest at a rate not exceeding the statutory limit per annum and the maturity of the bonds will not exceed the statutory maximum.

A "YES" vote on this Measure would authorize the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District to borrow money through the sale of bonds in an amount not exceeding \$93,530,000.00, such bonds to be repaid by revenue derived from an annual tax levied upon the taxable property within the District.

A "NO" vote on this Measure is a vote against authorizing the sale of bonds by the District.

This analysis is submitted by the Office of the County Counsel of Placer County pursuant to the requirements of Section 9500 of the Elections Code of the State of California

Anthony J. La Bouff
County Counsel

By: Brian R. Wirtz
Deputy County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE U

Vote Yes on Measure U

Measure U provides funding for modern, safe school facilities, updated classrooms and technology to create the physical school environment where our skilled faculty can deliver teaching excellence. By law, Measure U cannot fund teacher's salaries.

Measure U will fund these improvements:

Truckee High School:

- New media lab, library and classroom technology so children become well equipped to function in the 21st Century
- Replace/expand deteriorating portables with a permanent wing
- Modernize classrooms to deliver vocational courses that provide graduates with living wage jobs (Fire Science, Channel 6, Shop and more)
- Implement "green" energy-efficient technology for heating and lighting to reduce long term operational and maintenance costs
- Upgrade and replace sports fields, regulation running track and associated facilities to improve safety and allow increased use for our athletes and Community.

Truckee Elementary:

- Redesign traffic flow and add parking to address safety concerns
- Expand/upgrade fields/playgrounds to reduce density issues

Truckee Elementary, Truckee High School and Donner Trail will also receive funding to upgrade aged buildings to meet modern snow load requirements.

Sierra Mountain:

- Complete the conversion to an elementary school for future student growth and relieve overcrowding at elementary sites

MEASURE U does not increase the existing tax rate. Measure U maintains and continues the tax rate voters approved in 1999 through Measure C.

Taxpayer Accountability:

By law, a Citizens' Oversight Committee will ensure Measure U funds are ONLY used for Truckee area school facilities as defined in the ballot and supported by annual performance and financial audits. Measure U funds provide access to potential matching state and local funds.

Parents, teachers, seniors, community and business leaders support Measure U. Vote YES if you care about our children, their educational future and our Community.

Visit <http://www.UforSchools.org/> for more information.

Ann Holmes Delforge, Excellence in Education Allocations Chair
Phebe T. Bell, Parent
Embree B "Breeze" Cross, Business Owner
Ted Owens, Nevada County Supervisor
Perry Norris, Parent and Conservationist

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE U

Measure U is an unnecessary, poorly-timed, and ill-defined **TAX INCREASE** that we cannot afford. Taxpayers will be forced to pay higher taxes for decades and decades, long after the new technology purchased by this bond has become worn-out, out-dated technology that needs to be repaired and replaced again. Future taxpayers will be forced to pay for future repairs and renovations while they are still paying off this debt. Children in school now will still be paying for this bond after their own children have grown up and graduated. This is financially irresponsible.

We all want the best for our children, but higher taxes hit families with children the hardest and they cannot be justified in this District. The last thing we need in Placer County is higher rents, larger property tax bills, more foreclosures and more evictions.

This District has already been generously funded by taxpayers and property tax receipts have grown by

record-breaking amounts in recent years, so money is not the problem. The District could save money by ending its hostility to cost-saving charter schools. Experience teaches us that the politicians and high-paid administrators who run this District will never reform their spending habits until taxpayers make it absolutely clear that tax increases are not an option. At that point, they will quickly figure out how to live within their means – and we may get better schools as a result.

Please send a message by voting **NO on Measure U**.

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party
Mike Spence, President California Taxpayer Protection Committee
George E. Park Jr., President, Placer County Rep. Assembly

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE U

We oppose this bond measure because it is poorly planned and poorly timed. The list of projects to be funded with this bond is not detailed and what details are available indicate clearly that the bond is more of a "wish list" put together by administrators rather than a demonstration of real need.

The District already has the resources to make significant progress on their wish list without raising taxes because it is funded at a much greater rate per student than most school districts in California. Local property tax revenues are so great that they exceed the typical state funding per student. The District may spend these surpluses on anything it wants, including facilities, under state law. These surpluses are also projected to grow significantly in future years.

The District seems to be more focused on raising taxes than on raising student achievement. Their test scores reflect a serious lack of commitment to low income students. It is openly hostile to charter schools and other parental choice options that could improve student achievement. This bond measure will do nothing to improve student learning.

This bond is poorly timed. Our community is suffering tremendously due to the poor economy and home foreclosures. Additionally, enrollment in Tahoe Truckee Unified has been in decline in recent years. The District has been getting more and more tax revenues but has fewer and fewer students to serve. They've already passed a number of bond and parcel tax measures in recent years, just adding to the District's coffers. What we have is a spending problem, not a revenue problem. The District is not setting priorities, not addressing problems, and not making an impact on our most needy students with its already plentiful resources. Please vote no on this poorly planned and poorly timed tax increase.

Tom Hudson, Chairman, Placer County Republican Party

Mike Spence, President, California Taxpayer Protection Committee

Jerry Simmons, Former President Sierra College Board
William K. Newharth, Chairman Nevada County Republican Central Committee

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE U

It's unfortunate that such a poorly informed argument purports to represent a Republican viewpoint. Our bond enjoyed widespread support from Republican voters in June, and from Republican endorsers, including our County supervisor. Our core bond committee is mostly Republican.

The writer is unaware of the lengthy master planning process involving teaching staff, community, and parents. The comments are from a small group of people in Roseville, who aren't Truckee residents and didn't take the time to investigate the needs, the lack of available resources for major work, or the continuing efforts by the District, and the teaching staff toward the education of *all* students.

While the projects provide an intelligent plan for future growth, the primary focus is safety and education. The safety of:

- buildings that have low snow load capacities,
- congested parking, pick-up, and drop-off areas,
- deteriorating athletic facilities.

The education of *all* students, not only through the best technology, but also through training in current, *and local*, job skills when they choose different career paths.

Surveys show local voters felt informed regarding the proposed projects. They are also well aware of the many demands placed on our general fund as we struggle with pent-up needs typical for a District that, only recently, moved to a more reliable funding source. Those funds must address salaries, educational programs, maintenance and operations, and many other basic needs. There is no surplus! Don't let a small, uninformed group in Roseville dictate what our community needs. Vote Yes on U.

Alison Elder, Measure U Committee Chairperson

RESOLUTION NO. 02-08/09

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TAHOE TRUCKEE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ACTING AS THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF THE FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE TAHOE TRUCKEE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ORDERING AN ELECTION, AND ESTABLISHING SPECIFICATIONS OF THE ELECTION ORDER

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District (the "Board") has determined that certain properties and educational facilities within the Facilities Improvement District No. 1 of the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District (the "Improvement District"), within Placer County (the "County") and Nevada County need to be acquired, constructed, improved, and equipped to enable the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District (the "District") to enhance the educational opportunities of the students in the District; and

WHEREAS, due to the need to renovate existing aging schools, enhance safety and facilities for vocational training, the District needs to expand its classroom capacity and upgrade school facilities; and

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the Board, it is advisable to provide additional funding for such facility repair and construction, technology, and safety needs in the Improvement District by means of a general obligation bond; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 46, approved by the voters of the State of California on June 3, 1986 ("Proposition 46"), amended Section 1(b) of Article XIII A of the California Constitution by adding a provision which exempts from the 1% of full cash value limitation, those ad valorem taxes used to pay for debt service of any bonded indebtedness for the acquisition or improvement of real property approved on or after July 1, 1978, by two-thirds of the votes cast by voters voting on the proposition; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 3, Part 10, Division 1, Title 1 (commencing with Section 15300) of the Education Code (the "Act") provides that the Improvement District may call an election for the purpose of seeking voter approval for the issuance of general obligation bonds by the Improvement District; and

WHEREAS, both the Placer County and Nevada County Boards of Supervisors have adopted a resolution causing the provisions of the Act to be applicable within Placer County and Nevada County; and

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2000, the voters of California approved the Smaller Classes, Safer Schools and Financial Accountability Act ("Proposition 39") which, as of its effective date, reduced the voter

threshold for ad valorem tax levies used to pay for debt service or bonded indebtedness to 55% of the votes cast on a school district general obligation bond; and

WHEREAS, concurrent with the passage of Proposition 39, Chapter 1.5, Part 10, Division 1, Title 1 (commencing with Section 15264) of the Education Code (the "Prop 39 Act") became operative and established requirements associated with the implementation of Proposition 39; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to make certain findings herein to be applicable to this election order and to establish certain performance audits, standards of financial accountability and citizens' oversight committee which are contained in Proposition 39 and the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Board determines that the restrictions in Proposition 39, as interpreted by the Attorney General of the State of California, which prohibit any bond money to be used for administrator salaries and expenses be strictly enforced by a Citizens' Oversight Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to authorize the filing of a ballot argument in favor of the proposition to be submitted to the voters at the election; and

WHEREAS, Section 9400 *et seq.* of the Elections Code of the State of California (the "Elections Code") requires that a tax rate statement be contained in all official materials, including any ballot pamphlet prepared, sponsored or distributed by the District, relating to the election; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the California Elections Code, it is appropriate for the Board to request consolidation of the election with any and all other elections to be held on November 4, 2008, and to request each of the Placer County Registrar of Voters and the Nevada County Registrar of Voters to perform certain election services for the District; and

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the Board, it is advisable to request the Placer County Registrar of Voters and the Nevada County Registrar of Voters to call an election pursuant to Proposition 39 on the question of whether general obligation bonds shall be issued and sold on behalf of the District for purposes set forth below; and

NOW THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TAHOE TRUCKEE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ACTING AS THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF THE FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE TAHOE TRUCKEE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

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**MEASURE U RESOLUTION
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Section 1. That the Board, pursuant to Education Code Sections 15100 et seq. (including Sections 15300 et seq.), 15264 et seq., and Government Code Section 53506, hereby requests each of the Placer County Registrar of Voters and the Nevada County Registrar of Voters to conduct an election under the provisions of the Proposition 39 Act and submit to the electors of the Improvement District the question of whether bonds of the Improvement District in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$93,530,000 (the "Bonds") shall be issued and sold for the purpose of raising money for the purposes described in Exhibit A hereto.

Section 2. That the date of the election shall be November 4, 2008.

Section 3. That the purpose of the election shall be for the voters in the Improvement District to vote on a proposition, a copy of which is attached hereto and marked Exhibit "A" and incorporated by reference herein, containing the question of whether the Improvement District shall issue the Bonds to pay for improvements to schools, to the extent permitted by such proposition. In compliance with Proposition 39 and the Act, the ballot proposition in Exhibit "A" is subject to the following requirements and determinations:

(a) the proceeds of the sale of the Bonds shall only be used for the purposes set forth in the ballot measure and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other District operating expenses;

(b) that the Board, in compliance with Proposition 39, and in establishing the projects set forth in Exhibits "A" and "B", evaluated the safety, class size reduction and information technology needs of the District;

(c) that the Board will cause to be conducted an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the Bond moneys get expended for the projects identified in Exhibits "A" and "B" hereto;

(d) that the Board will cause an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of Bonds to be conducted until all of the Bond proceeds have been expended;

(e) that the Board will cause the appointment of a Citizens' Oversight Committee in compliance with Education Code Section 15278 no later than 60 days after the Board enters the election results in its minutes pursuant to Education Code Section 15274;

(f) that the tax levy authorized to secure the bonds of this election shall not exceed the Proposition 39 limit per \$100,000 of taxable property in the Improvement District when assessed valuation is projected by the

Improvement District to increase in accordance with Article XIII A of the California Constitution; and

Section 4. That the authority for ordering the election is contained in Education Code Sections 15340, 15264 et seq. and Government Code Section 53506.

Section 5. That the authority for the specifications of this election order is contained in Sections 5322 of the Education Code.

Section 6. That each of the Placer County Registrar of Voters and the Nevada County Registrar of Voters is hereby requested to consolidate the election ordered hereby with any and all other elections to be held on November 4, 2008 within the District.

Section 7. That the Secretary of the Board is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this Resolution to each of the Placer County Registrar of Voters and the Nevada County Registrar of Voters no later than July 10, 2008. That this Resolution shall stand as the "order of election" to the Placer County Registrar of Voters and the Nevada County Registrar of Voters to call an election within the boundaries of the Improvement District on November 4, 2008.

Section 8. That the maturity of any Bonds issued pursuant to Section 15300 et seq. of the Education Code hereto shall have a maturity not exceeding twenty-five (25) years, and Bonds issued pursuant to Section 53506 of the Government Code shall have a maturity of not exceeding forty (40) years. The maximum rate of interest on any Bond shall not exceed the maximum rate allowed by Education Code Sections 15140 to 15143, as modified by Government Code Section 53531.

Section 9. That the Board requests the governing body of any such other political subdivision, or any officer otherwise authorized by law, to partially or completely consolidate such election and to further provide that the canvass be made by any body or official authorized by law to canvass the returns of the election; and that the Board consents to such consolidation.

Section 10. Pursuant to Section 5303 of the Education Code and Section 10002 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of each of Placer County and Nevada County is requested to permit the respective Registrar of Voters to render all services specified by Section 10418 of the Elections Code relating to the election, for which services the District agrees to reimburse each of Placer County and Nevada County, such services to include the publication of a Formal Notice of School Bond and the mailing of the sample ballot and tax rate statement (described in Section 9401 of the Elections Code) pursuant to the terms of Section 5363 of the Education Code and Section 12112 of the Elections Code.

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ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED this 9th day of July, 2008.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TAHOE TRUCKEE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ACTING AS THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF THE FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE TAHOE TRUCKEE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

By Kristy Olk
President

Attest: Stephen A. Jennings
Secretary

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
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PLACER COUNTY)

I, Stephen A. Jennings, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 02-08/09, which was duly adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District acting as the legislative body of the Facilities Improvement District No. 1 of the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District at meeting thereof held on the 9th day of July, 2008, and that it was so adopted by the following vote:

AYES: 5
NOES: 0
ABSENT: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0

By Stephen A. Jennings
Secretary

BOND PROJECT LIST

EXHIBIT B

FULL TEXT BALLOT PROPOSITION

**FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE TAHOE TRUCKEE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOND MEASURE ELECTION NOVEMBER 4, 2008**

The following is the full proposition presented to the voters of the Facilities Improvement District No. 1 of the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District.

“Truckee Schools Safety / Repair Measure: To improve energy efficiency, replace portable classrooms, upgrade computer/instructional technology, expand career/vocational classrooms, meet seismic safety/snow load requirements, shall Facilities Improvement District No. 1 of the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District issue \$93,5300,000 of bonds at legal rates to renovate, acquire, construct, repair, equip Truckee area schools, sites, facilities, with independent financial audits, citizens’ oversight, no money for administrators’ salaries and maintain 1999 voter approved tax rates?”

Bonds – Yes

Bonds – No

PRIORITY SCHOOL PROJECTS LIST

The Board of Trustees of the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District evaluated the District’s urgent and critical facility needs, including safety issues, enrollment trends, class size, energy efficiency and computer technology, in developing the scope of projects to be funded. In developing the scope of projects, teachers, staff and community members have prioritized the key health and

safety needs so that the most critical facility needs are addressed. The Board conducted a facilities evaluation and received public input and review in developing the scope of facility projects to be funded. This input concluded that if these needs were not addressed now, the problem would only get worse. **In approving this Priority School Projects List, the Board of Trustees determines that the District must:**

- (i) **Repair aging schools and give priority to basic repairs, such as seismic upgrades, structural improvements to roofs to meet snow load standards and upgrading heating, ventilation and lighting systems to make them more energy efficient; and**
- (ii) **Replace aging portable classrooms with permanent classrooms; and**
- (iii) **Upgrade or expand the number of high school classrooms devoted to career and vocational training to help students prepare for post-graduation jobs;**
- (iv) **Maximize its resources through efficient facility and financial management, seek energy and utility cost savings, must aggressively apply for State matching funds, and must spend any local bond money on projects within the Truckee area and shall not allow bond monies to be transferred to the State or any other agency; and**

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(v) **Improve computer and instructional technology in classrooms; and**

(vi) **Maintain the cost of the bonds within the tax rate limit approved by the voters in 1999.**

The Bond Priority School Project List is on file at the District Office of the Superintendent and include the following projects:

PRIORITY SCHOOL PROJECTS

Truckee High School: To permit Truckee students to have access to the same high quality classrooms, science labs and school facilities as students attending North Tahoe High School:

- Repair/replace structurally unsafe roofs.
- Upgrade heating, ventilation and lighting systems for energy efficiency and to reduce energy costs; implement energy conservation improvements.
- Upgrade career and vocational classrooms and create a new library/media center to help students prepare for post-graduation jobs.
- Replace deteriorated portable classrooms with permanent classrooms.
- Upgrade classroom computer and instructional technology.
- Renovate, upgrade classrooms, buildings, including support areas, construct new physical education/athletic facilities with safe spectator seating.
- Construct additional classrooms.

Truckee Elementary School

- Improve student safety by expanding and improving hard court areas, play surfaces and improve parking and traffic circulation.

Sierra Mountain Community Education Center

- Convert existing site and facility for future pre-school and elementary classroom use.

All School Sites

- Repair and renovate existing school facilities within the Improvement District, including but not limited to, some or all of the following: repair and replace lighting, heating and ventilation systems; repair and replace worn-out roofs and reinforce structural systems so that snow load standards are satisfied; install electrical system wiring to safely accommodate computers, technology and other electrical devices; improve grading, drainage and traffic circulation; structural upgrades; interior and exterior painting; repair, improve or eliminate

portable classrooms; demolition; inspect for and abate any hazardous materials, including asbestos and mold; and construct classrooms.

Listed building, repair and rehabilitation projects and upgrades will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. In addition to the listed repair and construction projects stated above, the Priority School Projects List also includes the payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility assessment reviews, environmental studies and construction documentation, and temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by bond projects. The allocation of bond proceeds will be affected by the District's receipt of State matching funds and the final costs of each project. Certain classroom areas at Truckee High School may be used on an interim basis for District administration purposes and Board meetings until needed for student instruction. Certain projects may be undertaken as joint use projects in cooperation with other local public agencies. The budget for each project is an estimate and may be affected by factors beyond the District's control. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded and projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each project, certain of the projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. Demolition of existing facilities and reconstruction of facilities scheduled for repair and upgrade may occur, if the Board determines that such an approach would be more cost-effective in creating more enhanced and operationally efficient campuses. Necessary site preparation/restoration may occur in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, redirecting fire access, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property. Bond proceeds shall only be expended for the specific purposes identified herein. The District shall create an account into which, proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code § 53410.

FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY. IN ACCORDANCE WITH EDUCATION CODE SECTION 15272, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WILL APPOINT A CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE AND CONDUCT ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDITS TO ASSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT ONLY ON DISTRICT PROJECTS AND FOR NO OTHER PURPOSE. THE EXPENDITURE OF BOND MONEY ON THESE PROJECTS IS SUBJECT TO STRINGENT FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS.

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BY LAW, PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL AUDITS WILL BE PERFORMED ANNUALLY, AND ALL BOND EXPENDITURES WILL BE MONITORED BY AN INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO ENSURE THAT FUNDS ARE SPENT AS PROMISED AND SPECIFIED. THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MUST INCLUDE, AMONG OTHERS, REPRESENTATION OF A BONA FIDE TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION, A BUSINESS ORGANIZATION AND A SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION. NO DISTRICT EMPLOYEES OR VENDORS ARE ALLOWED TO SERVE ON THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

NO ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES. PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF THE BONDS AUTHORIZED BY THIS PROPOSITION SHALL BE USED ONLY FOR THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, REHABILITATION, OR REPLACEMENT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES, INCLUDING THE FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOL FACILITIES, AND NOT FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE, INCLUDING TEACHER AND SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES.

TAX RATE STATEMENT

REGARDING PROPOSED

\$93,530,000

GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

**of School Facilities Improvement District No. 1
TAHOE TRUCKEE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

An election will be held in School Facilities Improvement District No. 1 of the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District (the "School Facilities Improvement District") of Placer and Nevada County on November 4, 2008, for the purpose of authorizing the sale of \$93,530,000 in general obligation bonds of the School Facilities Improvement District. The bonds would be payable from tax levies made upon the taxable property in the Schools Facilities Improvement District.

In compliance with Elections Code Sections 9400-9405 the following information is submitted:

1. The best estimate of the tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue during the first fiscal year after the first sale bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, is \$0.01262 per 100 dollars assessed valuation (this equals to \$12.62 annually or \$1.05 monthly per \$100,000 of assessed valuation) for the year 2009-10.

2. The best estimate of the tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue during the first fiscal year after the last sale of the bonds and an estimate of the year in which that rate will apply based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement is \$0.01392 per 100 dollars of assessed valuation (this equals to \$13.92 annually or \$1.16 monthly per \$100,000 of assessed valuation) for the year 2012-13.

3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund the bond issues and an estimate of the year in which that rate will apply based on estimated assessed valuation available at the time of filing this statement is \$0.0480 per 100 of assessed valuation (this equals to \$48.00 annually or \$4.00 monthly per \$100,000 of assessed valuation) for the year 2025-26.

4. In 1999 voters approved a tax rate not to exceed \$0.0489 per 100 dollars of assessed valuation (this equals \$48.90 annually or \$4.08 monthly per \$100,000 of assessed valuation). The highest tax rate for the Measure U bonds when combined with the Election of 1999 bonds is estimated to be \$48.00 annually or \$4.00 monthly per \$100,000 of assessed valuation, less than the rate approved by voters in 1999.

Attention to all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon projections and estimates only. The actual times of sales of said bonds and the amount sold at any given time will be governed by the needs of the District and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold, which in any event will not exceed the maximum permitted by law, will depend upon the bond market at the time of sales. The actual assessed valuations in the future years will depend upon the value of property within the District as determined in the assessment and the equalization process. Hence, the actual tax rates and the years in which such rates are applicable may vary from those presently estimated as above stated.

Mr. Stephen Jennings
Superintendent
Tahoe Truckee Unified School District

VOTER INSTRUCTIONS

To vote for a candidate whose name appears on the ballot, COMPLETELY FILL IN THE OVAL beside the candidate's name. When two or more candidates for the same office are to be elected, COMPLETELY FILL IN THE OVALS beside the names of the candidates for whom you desire to vote. Do not exceed the number of candidates to be elected.

To vote for a qualified write-in candidate, COMPLETELY FILL IN THE OVAL next to the blank line provided at the end of the list of candidates for that particular office. Next, write the name of the qualified write-in candidate on that line. Unless both of these steps are completed, your vote cannot be counted.

To vote on a measure, COMPLETELY FILL IN THE OVAL beside the word "Yes" if you desire to vote in favor of the measure or beside the word "No" if you desire to vote against the measure.

All distinguishing marks or erasures are forbidden and can make the ballot void.

If you wrongly mark, tear or deface any portion of your ballot sheet, replace the sheet in the secrecy folder and return it to the election officer. A replacement ballot will be issued. If you are voting from home and you need a replacement ballot, please call the Elections Division at 530-886-5650 or toll-free in California at 1-800-824-8683 for special instructions.

VOTING AT YOUR POLLING PLACE:

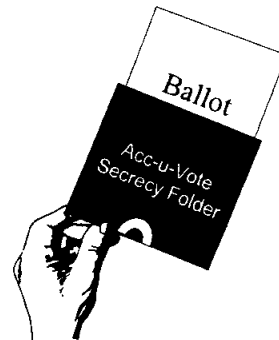
After you have completed voting, look over your choices one final time to be sure they are correct, place your ballot in the secrecy folder and deposit the ballot into the ballot counting machine. Once your ballot has been deposited into the machine, it cannot be retrieved.

VOTING BY MAIL:

After you have completed voting, look over your choices one final time to be sure they are correct and place your ballot in the return envelope provided. Be sure to sign and date the envelope where required. The envelope must have your signature on it or the ballot cannot be counted. Return the envelope according to the instructions you received with your ballot.

TO VOTE:

- ★ Use a pencil or a pen with blue or black ink to mark the ballot.
- ★ Darken the oval completely (●).
- ★ Remember to vote both sides of the ballot if both sides are printed.
- ★ Do not vote for more than the number of candidates to be elected for each office.
- ★ If you make a mistake in marking your ballot, do not attempt to erase or cross out a choice after it has been made. Return the ballot to the election officer and a replacement ballot will be issued.



RIGHT



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WRONG



IMPORTANT Election Dates

OCTOBER 6, 2008
OCTOBER 20, 2008
OCTOBER 28, 2008
NOVEMBER 4, 2008

First day to request a vote by mail ballot.
Last day to register for this election.
Last day to request a vote by mail ballot.
Election Day and last day to return your vote by mail ballot to the Placer County Elections Division or to any polling place within the county by 8:00 PM.

You may vote by mail every election!

- Would you like to make voting more convenient?
- Would you like more time to review your voting choices in the comfort of your own home?

Become a Permanent Vote By Mail (PVBM) Voter

Some voters may not know that state law allows all voters to receive a ballot by mail. PVBM Voters receive their ballots about 4 weeks before every election. It gives them time to think about their voting choices, return their ballot on or before Election Day and they do not have to plan time to appear at a specific polling place. Currently in Placer County, almost half of all registered voters are PVBM Voters.

To request PVBM status, complete and return the vote by mail application on the back of this sample ballot booklet. Our office will process the application and you will automatically receive a ballot for each election. If the signature line indicates you're already a PVBM Voter, then there is no need to return the application. Your ballot is on its way.

For more information about this service, please call the Placer County Elections Division at 530-886-5650 or toll-free in California, 1-800-824-8683.



IMPORTANT VOTER INFORMATION!

There are four ways to vote in Placer County:

1. **Polling Place Voting:** Your polling place is listed on the front of this sample ballot booklet. Polls are open on Election Day from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM. Find your polling place by going to the Elections Division website at www.placer.ca.gov/elections or by calling the Elections Division at 530-886-5650 or toll-free in California 1-800-824-8683 for directions.

2. **Vote by Mail Ballot Voting:** You may request a vote by mail ballot using the form on the back of this sample ballot booklet or by printing a copy from the website listed above.

If you do not receive your requested vote by mail ballot within five days, please call the Elections Division at 530-886-5650 or toll-free in California 1-800-824-8683 to request another vote by mail ballot.

3. **Mail Ballot Precinct Voting:** Your ballot is automatically mailed to you.

Your voted vote by mail ballot must be received by the Elections Division no later than 8:00 PM on Election Day. If your ballot arrives later than November 4, 2008 (even with a November 4, 2008 postmark), your ballot cannot be counted. If you prefer, you may drop off your ballot at any Placer County polling place on Election Day or at the Elections Division any day from October 6, 2008 until Election Day. We also have a 24-hour drive-up ballot drop-off box located at 2956 Richardson Drive, Auburn.

4. **Early Voting at the Elections Division in Auburn:** Beginning 29 days before each election, the Placer County Elections Division opens as a polling place providing voters with ballots they can vote at the office or take home. The Elections Division is located at 2956 Richardson Drive in Auburn and is open from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday through Friday. Please telephone us or visit our website listed above for additional information.

FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE the Elections Division in Auburn will be open from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM on the following weekend days prior to the Election. Placer County voters can come to the Elections Division located at 2956 Richardson Drive, Auburn to vote, pick up vote by mail ballots or drop off their voted ballots.

Saturday, October 25th

Saturday, November 1st

Sunday, October 26th

Sunday, November 2nd

**No matter how you vote whether it's at the polls or vote by mail
make sure and VOTE - have your voice heard on November 4, 2008!**

PLACER COUNTY VOTER'S BILL OF RIGHTS

Your right to vote is important to us. The Placer County Elections Division compiled this information to explain the election process, your voting rights and some of the services we offer.

#1 - The Right to Vote

You may vote in a scheduled election if you are a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years old by Election Day, not currently in prison or on parole for a felony conviction, live in Placer County, and provide us with a completed voter registration card at least 15 days before the scheduled election. If you go to the polls and are not listed on our registration rolls, you have the right to cast a provisional ballot. You also have the right to vote as long as you are in line at your polling place before the polls close at 8:00 PM. There are a few exceptions to these rules, so contact the Elections Division with any questions.

#2 - The Right Not to Vote

State law no longer requires you to vote in every election to stay registered. If none of the candidates or issues interest you by Election Day, you can skip the election and your registration will not be deleted. In addition, if your ballot has multiple issues, you are not required to vote on all of them. Blank sections on your ballot will not affect any of your other votes.

#3 - The Right to Vote by Vote by Mail Ballot or Permanent Vote by Mail Ballot

Whether you are sick, out of town or just like the convenience of voting from home, all California voters have the option of voting by a vote by mail ballot. Your written request for a vote by mail ballot must be received at least one week before the election to allow us enough time to process and mail your ballot. For best results, use the form on the back of this sample ballot booklet. You may also become a Permanent Vote by Mail voter (meaning your ballot will always be mailed to you without your having to complete an application each election). You may return your completed vote by mail ballot by mail or to any poll location in the county on Election Day or drop it at our office, but we must receive it no later than 8:00 PM Election Day.

#4 - The Right to Request Another Ballot

If you make a mistake when voting your official ballot, you may return your spoiled ballot and receive a new one at the polls (or from the Elections Division if voting by a vote by mail ballot). However, state law allows us to issue no more than two replacement ballots per voter.

#5 - The Right to Assistance and to Ask Questions

Important information is contained in your sample ballot booklet, at the polls, and on our website at www.placer.ca.gov/elections. You can also take your sample ballot booklet or other voting guides with you into the polls. If you are physically unable to vote without assistance, we have devices to help you in casting your vote or an elections official or other person of your choice can aid you. Your election officials are available to answer any questions about election procedures, as well.

#6 - The Right to Unbiased Political Information

Many people are so frustrated by negative political campaigning that they have decided to stop voting. While we cannot stop negative campaigning completely, we will enforce our "No Negative Attacks" policy for Candidate Statements printed in this sample ballot booklet, to the best of our ability.

#7 - The Right to Contact the Candidates

Can't find out how a candidate stands on an issue? The Elections Division requires each local candidate to provide at least one public telephone number so you can have your questions answered.

#8 - The Right to Watch Ballots Being Counted and Observe the Canvass

Counting ballots is a public process. Eleven days before Election Day, the Elections Division begins opening and preparing the vote by mail ballots to be included in Election Night totals. Voters may observe this process, and for years we have invited the public to come and observe Election Night activities. Voters are also allowed to watch what goes on at the polling places Election Day. For rules on how to be an Election Night or polling place observer, please contact the Elections Division. After Election Day, the election canvass begins. This is an internal audit required by state law to ensure the accuracy of election results. California election law allows 28 days to conduct the official canvass. During the canvass, vote by mail and provisional ballots not counted on Election Night are checked for eligibility, write in votes are tallied, the number of ballots cast is balanced against the number of ballots issued, and a hand count of 1% of all ballots cast in each race is performed to verify the machine count. All aspects of the canvass are open to public inspection.

#9 - The Right to Hold Office and to Make a Difference

At each November election, Placer County has over 200 local offices up for election. Someone has to fill these offices – why not you? If you are registered to vote and live in a district or city going to election, you are most likely eligible. We conduct candidate workshops roughly six months before every major election, which will walk you through the candidate filing process (watch your local newspaper or call us for dates and times).

#10 - The Right to a Fair Election

You have the right to report any illegal or fraudulent activity to our office or to the Secretary of State's Office. If you believe you have been denied any of your rights, or if you are aware of any election fraud or misconduct, please call us at (530) 886-5650 or toll-free in California 1-800-824-8683 or you may use the Secretary of State's confidential, toll-free VOTER PROTECTION HOTLINE at 1-800-345-8683.

Voters: Your polling place location and/or mail ballot precinct status may have changed and here is why...

On the front cover of this sample ballot booklet, you will find your polling place location. If you live in a mail ballot precinct, no polling place will be listed. Instead, this information will be blank and your official ballot will be mailed to you.

In certain areas of Placer County, voters receive their official ballots in the mail instead of at the polls. These areas are called "Mail Ballot Precincts." Other times, factors like growth, polling place availability or boundary line adjustments change your voting location or status.

Some voters like vote by mail ballots because they enjoy the convenience of voting from home. Other voters prefer voting at a polling place. While we attempt to provide a polling place for every voter, this is not always possible. *Furthermore, it is not always possible to have voters go back to the same polling place for each election.*

Additionally, some voters will find that they have been moved to new polling places or into mail ballot precincts because of "reapportionment." Reapportionment (and redistricting) refers to the process of moving Congressional, Senate, Assembly and Supervisorial district lines to make representation more equal among citizens. Reapportionment occurs after every national census.



PLEASE READ THE FRONT COVER OF YOUR SAMPLE BALLOT BOOKLET BEFORE ELECTION DAY TO DETERMINE YOUR VOTING STATUS OR LOCATION.

You may also locate your polling place and obtain driving directions from our website at www.placer.ca.gov/elections.

If your polling place will be inconvenient to go to on Election Day, the Elections Division can mail you a vote by mail ballot that you may vote in the privacy of your home. You may request a vote by mail ballot by using the form on the back cover of this booklet. *If you are a permanent vote by mail voter or are in a mail ballot precinct, you do not need to complete this application because a ballot will automatically be mailed to you.*

If you are a mail ballot precinct voter and would prefer to vote at a polling place, starting October 6th, you may come to the Elections Division during office hours and vote your official ballot in person. Please call 530-886-5650 or toll-free in California 1-800-824-8683 for directions to our Auburn office.

No matter how you vote, at the polls, by mail ballot or in the Elections Division...

Please be sure to vote on Election Day!



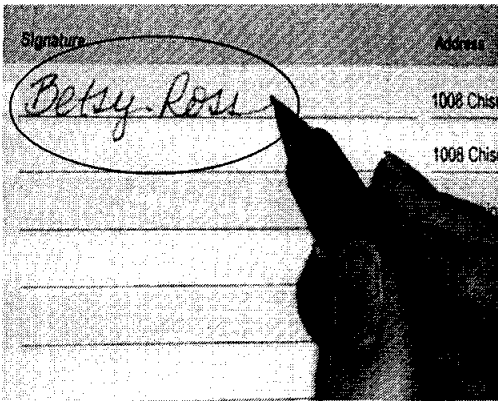
Voting in Placer County is easy as 1,2,3...

In Placer County, when voters go to the polls on November 4, 2008, they will simply mark a paper ballot and feed it into an electronic scanner that can quickly tabulate the results. Instructions for marking your ballot are located on the inside front cover of this booklet. A sample ballot (determined by your residence address) can also be found in this booklet. Please take the time to read the instructions and study your ballot so you will be ready to vote on Election Day.

We at the County Elections Division are confident about the advantages and benefits the AccuVote system brings to the voters of Placer County. This system combines the speed of modern computer processing with the back up security of the voted paper ballot.

If you have any questions about the AccuVote system or your ballot, you may contact us at 530-886-5650 or toll free in California at 1-800-824-8683. We welcome your comments and questions!

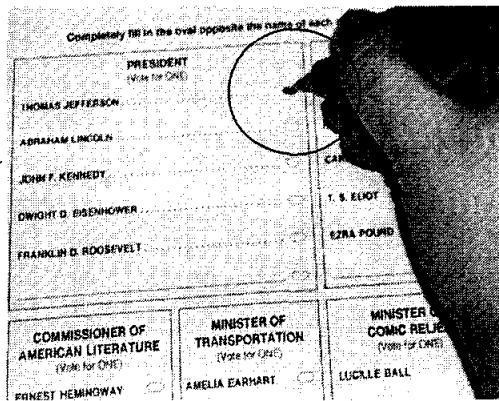
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Sign roster to receive a ballot.

Once the voter signs the roster, the voter will receive a ballot with the names of the candidates and measures on it.

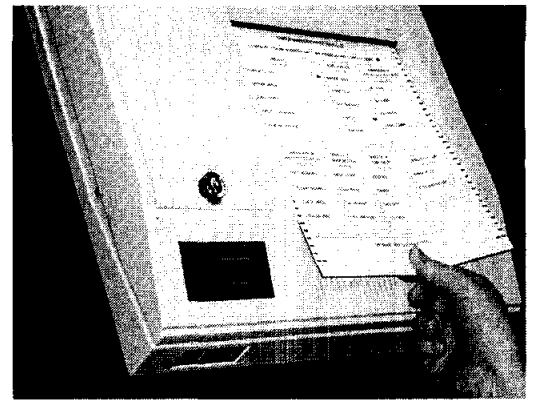
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Vote ballot.

The voter takes the ballot to a booth and votes by using the pen provided. When voting for a candidate or a measure, the voter will completely fill in the oval beside the candidate or measure of choice.

3.



Feed ballot into ballot counting machine.

Once the voter has finished voting, the voter feeds the ballot into the AccuVote ballot counting machine.