

# **SOLANO COUNTY**Voter Information Guide

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# Presidential General Election **Tuesday, November 5, 2024** Polls open: 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

This is your official voter information guide. It has information on local candidates & measures, voting by mail, and answers to common voter questions.

# **VOTING IN-PERSON ON ELECTION DAY? Your Polling Place May Have Changed!**

Refer to Official Ballot Instructions or check www.solanocounty.com/elections for your new assigned polling place.



Text Solano to 2VOTE (28683) to download your sample ballot or voter information guide.



- ◆ Early voting starts **Monday, October 7, 2024**. Visit us at 675 Texas Street, Suite 2600, Fairfield to pick up a ballot. Our office is open Monday Friday, 8a.m. to 5p.m.
- ♦ Last day to request a Vote by Mail ballot to be mailed to you is **Tuesday**, **October 29**, **2024**.
- ◆ Any changes to your registration must be received by **Monday**, **October 21**, **2024**. Visit **registertovote.ca.gov** or call (707) 784-6675 to have a form mailed to you.

# October 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6	In-person Vote by Mail period begins. Ballot drop boxes available for next 29 days.	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 Holiday - County Offices Closed.	15	16	17	18	19
20	Last day to register or update registration for this election.	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	Last day to request a Vote by Mail Ballot to be mailed to you.	30	Benicia • Di	Ballot Drop-Off Locations xon ● Cordelia ● Fairfiel sun City ● Vacaville ● Va	d   Rio Vista

# November 2024

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3	4	ELECTION DAY	6	7	8	9
Daylight Savings Time ends.	Benicia	Off Locations Available: Cordelia • Fairfield y • Vacaville • Vallejo				



# **VOTING OPTIONS FOR ALL VOTERS**

In an effort to provide a safe voting environment, the Solano County Registrar of Voters has prepared several voting options for all voters. You have received a Vote by Mail ballot for the election in this packet.

Below is a description of the different options you have for voting to help provide a safe voting environment for all voters, our staff, and our community partners:

# **No Contact Voting:**

As an option to in-person voting, all voters can vote from the safety of their home, using the enclosed ballot. Ballots can be returned to our office in one of three manners:



# Ballot Drop-Off:

Starting October 7th through Election Day (29 days) - Ballot drop-off times and locations are identified on the next page (drop box is inside an office building).



# Curbside Drop-off:

Starting October 31st through Election Day (5 days) - Curbside drop-off times and locations are identified on the next page (stay in your vehicle, hand ballot to poll workers).



# Election Day Drop-Off:

Election Day (1 day) - Poll Place drop-off locations are available on Election Day-all locations are open from 7a.m. to 8p.m.

All ballots must be received or post-marked by Election Day. All postage is paid by the Registrar of Voters Office for voters mailing ballots back to our office. Voters do not have to vote this ballot, and can still choose to vote in-person using one of the options listed below.

# **Limited Contact Voting:**



At your assigned poll place, you can request to vote "curbside" from the comfort of your vehicle. Look for the blue cone outside of your polling place, and call the number listed on the cone. Poll workers will come out to your vehicle with your ballot and will securely deposit it for you.

This same curbside option is available if you want to drop off your Vote by Mail ballot. It may be preferable for you to remain in your vehicle and we support that option.

# **In-Person Voting:**



Traditional polling places are still available. Your assigned location is included on the cover sheet with your official ballot. Some voters may experience additional wait times due to the need to provide social distancing within the voting location. Please be prepared: it may take longer than usual to vote at your polling place.

If you need assistance...

As a voter, you may bring up to two individuals with you to your polling place to help you cast your ballot, as long as those individuals do not represent your employer or your union. Your polling place will have copies of the ballot in Spanish and Tagalog and may have poll workers ready to assist you who speak Spanish and Tagalog.

Si necesitas ayuda ...

Como votante, usted puede traer dos individuos a la estación de votación para que le ayuden a emitir su voto. Sus acompañantes no pueden ser representantes de su empleador o sindicato. La estación de votación quizá mantenga copias en español de la papeleta de votación y empleé trabajadores que le puedan asistir en español.

Kung kailangan mo ng tulong...

Bilang botante, maaari kang magkaroon ng hanggang dalawang tao sa iyong lugar ng botohan o presinto upang matulungan kang i-record ang iyong balota, hangga't ang mga taong ito ay hindi kinakatawan ng iyong tagapag-empleyo o iyong unyon. Magkakaroon ng mga kopya ng iyong balota na isinalin sa Tagalog sa iyong lugar ng botohan. Maaaring may mga taong nagtatrabaho na nagsasalita ngtagalog sa lugar ng botohan.

# **BALLOT RETURN ADDRESSES**



October 7 to November 5, voters can drop off ballots at the following locations. (Drop Boxes are inside office buildings.)

City	Name	Address	Hours Available
Benicia	Benicia City Clerk	250 East L St.	M-F 9:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. (Closed October 11 and 25)
Benicia	Benicia Pedrotti Ace Hardware	830 Southampton Rd.	M-Sat 8:00a.m. to 7:00p.m. Sun 9:00a.m. to 6:00p.m.
Dixon	Dixon City Clerk	600 East A St.	M-F 9:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.
Fairfield	Fairfield City Clerk	1000 Webster St. 4th Floor	M-F 8:00a.m. to 5:30p.m. (Closed October 18 and November 1)
Fairfield	Fairfield/Suisun Unified School District Office	2490 Hilborn Rd.	M-F 7:30a.m. to 4:30p.m. (Closed October 14)
Fairfield	Solano County Registrar of Voters	675 Texas St. Ste. 2600	M-F 8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m. (Closed October 14) 24-hour drop off on Union Ave. Election Day - 7:00a.m. to 8:00p.m.
Fairfield	Solano County Office of Education	5100 Business Center Dr.	M-F 8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.
Rio Vista	Rio Vista Library	44 South Second St.	M & W 9:00a.m. to 6:00p.m. TU. & TH. 9:00a.m. to 8:00p.m. F & Sat 9:00a.m. to 5:00p.m. (Closed October 14)
Suisun City	Suisun City Clerk	701 Civic Center Blvd.	M-TH. 9:00a.m. to 5:00p.m. (Closed October 14)
Vacaville	Vacaville City Clerk	650 Merchant St.	M-F 8:00a.m. to 5:30p.m. (Closed October 18 and November 1)
Vacaville	Nut Tree Airport	301 County Airport Dr.	M-F 8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m. (Closed October 14)
Vacaville	Mission Church	6391 Leisure Town Rd.	TUF 8:30a.m. to 4:00p.m.
Vallejo	Vallejo City Clerk	555 Santa Clara St.	M-TH. 9:00a.m. to 3:00p.m. (Closed October 14)
Vallejo	Solano County Fairgrounds	900 Fairgrounds Dr.	M-F 9:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. (Closed October 14)
Vallejo	Masonic Temple	101 Temple Way	M-F 9:00a.m. to 3:00p.m. (Closed October 14)

October 31 and November 1, 2, 4, and 5, voters can drop off ballots "Curbside" at the following locations. (Stay in your car, hand ballot to poll workers)

City	Name	Address	Hours Available
Benicia	Lighthouse Covenant Fellowship	1175 Church St.	All curbside locations are open
Dixon	Dixon Senior Center	201 South 5th St.	8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m., including Saturday, plus 7:00a.m. to
Fairfield	Solano County Office of Education	5100 Business Center Dr.	8:00p.m. on Election Day.
Fairfield	Solano County Registrar of Voters	675 Texas St. Ste. 2600 24-hour drop off on Union Ave.	
Rio Vista	45 Main Street Center	45 Main St.	
Suisun City	Nelson Community Center	611 Village Dr.	
Vacaville	Mission Church	6391 Leisure Town Rd.	
Vacaville	Vacaville City Clerk	650 Merchant St.	
Vallejo	Cal Maritime Academy (Aquatic Center)	117 Maritime Academy Dr.	
Vallejo	Solano County Fairgrounds	900 Fairgrounds Dr.	

On Election Day, November 5, ballots can be dropped off at any location listed on this page or at the polling locations on the following page, which are open from 7:00a.m. to 8:00p.m.



# **POLLING LOCATIONS**

**BENICIA** 

**BENICIA SENIOR CENTER** 

187 FAST L ST

**CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST - LDS** 

1125 SOUTHAMPTON RD

**HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS** 

1375 EAST 5TH ST

LIGHTHOUSE COVENANT FELLOWSHIP

1175 CHURCH ST

**TURNER ELEMENTARY** 

540 ROSE DR

DIXON

**DIXON SENIOR CENTER** 

201 SOUTH 5TH ST

MAINE PRAIRIE HIGH (FRMLY C.A. JACOBS)

200 NORTH LINCOLN ST

**VETERANS HALL** 

1305 NORTH 1ST ST

**FAIRFIELD** 

A GIRLS PLACE 3351 HILLRIDGE DR

**BETHEL COMMUNITY CHURCH** 

600 F TABOR AVE

**CALVARY CHAPEL SOLANO** 

1180 WESTERN ST

**CLUBHOUSE AT PARADISE VALLEY** 

3990 PARADISE VALLEY DR

COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CH

1875 FAIRFIELD AVE

**CORDELIA HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHL** 

4770 CANYON HILLS DR

**FAIRFIELD FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH** 

1108 WASHINGTON ST

FAIRFIELD/SUISUN SCHOOL DIST OFC

2490 HILBORN RD

**GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH** 

1405 KENTUCKY ST

IN-SHAPE: FAIRFIELD RANCHO SOLANO

3254 RANCHO SOLANO PKWY

LIBERTY CHURCH 2641 N TEXAS ST

**RODRIGUEZ HIGH SCHOOL** 

5000 RED TOP RD

SOLANO COUNTY OFFICE OF ED. 5100 BUSINESS CENTER DR

**SOLANO VALLEY CHURCH** 

1307 OLIVER RD

**TOLENAS ACADEMY** 4500 TOLENAS RD

WORD OF FAITH CHRISTIAN CENTER

650 PARKER RD

**RIO VISTA** 

**45 MAIN STREET CENTER** 

45 MAIN ST

TRILOGY AT RIO VISTA

990 SUMMERSET DR

**SUISUN CITY** 

**IN-SHAPE: SUISUN CITY** 

125 SUNSET AVE

**NELSON COMMUNITY CENTER** 

611 VILLAGE DR

SUISUN CITY HALL

701 CIVIC CENTER BLVD

**VACAVILLE** 

CAMBRIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

100 CAMBRIDGE DR

**COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH** 

3870 ALAMO DR

HARVEST CHURCH

126 PEABODY RD

MISSION CHURCH

6391 LEISURE TOWN RD

MOOSE LODGE

6585 GIBSON CANYON RD

**NEW HOPE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP** 

4910 ALLISON PKWY

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH 185 CHANDI FR ST

THE FATHER'S HOUSE 4800 HORSE CREEK DR

THRIVE CHURCH

190 BELLA VISTA RD

**ULATIS CULTURAL CENTER** 

1000 ULATIS DR

VACA. COMM. PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

425 HEMLOCK ST

**VACA PENA MIDDLE SCHOOL** 

VACA SEVENTH DAY ADVENT. CHURCH

4740 ALLENDALE RD

**VACAVILLE BIBLE CHURCH** 

490 BROWN ST

**VACAVILLE FIRE STATION 65** 

6080 A ST

**VACAVILLE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH** 

1127 DAVIS ST

VALLEJO

**COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** 

2800 GEORGIA ST

FELLOWSHIP UNITED METHODIST CH.

140 LADERA DR

**FILIPINO CULTURAL CENTER** 

611 AMADOR ST

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1350 AMADOR ST

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST HALL

1905 FLORIDA ST

HIDDENBROOKE GOLF CLUB

1095 HIDDENBROOKE PKWY

**IMPACT BIBLE MINISTRIES** 

1680 FAIRGROUNDS DR

**MASONIC TEMPLE** 101 TEMPLE WAY

MIRA THEATER (FRMLY BAY TERRACE)

51 DANIELS AVE

NORMAN C. KING CENTER

545 MAGAZINE ST

NORTH VALLEJO COMMUNITY CTR. 1121 WHITNEY AVE

**SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH** 1170 BENICIA RD

**SOLANO COMMUNITY COLLEGE-VJO** 

1687 N ASCOT PKWY

**SOLANO COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS** 900 FAIRGROUNDS DR

**SOLANO WIDENMANN ACADEMY** 

(FRMLY SOLANO MIDDLE SCHOOL)

1025 CORCORAN AVE

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

3450 TENNESSEE ST

200 KEITH WAY

THE LIGHTHOUSE AT GLEN COVE MARINA 2000 GLEN COVE MARINA RD

LINION BAPTIST CHURCH

128 ENCERTI AVE

**VALLEJO CITY HALL** 555 SANTA CLARA ST

VALLEJO REGIONAL EDUCATION CTR.

436 DEL SUR ST

**VALLEJO VETERANS BUILDING** 

420 ADMIRAL CALLAGHAN LN **VALLEJO WOMENS CLUB** 

200 VALLE VISTA AVE

WAYSIDE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2309 COLUMBUS PKWY



# WHAT OFFICES ARE ON THIS BALLOT?

In the November Statewide General Election, all voters receive the same ballot, no matter what political party you are registered with (or if you have no party preference). The address where you are registered to vote determines which local contests are on your ballot.

In the March Primary Election, all Californians were able to vote to decide which candidates for state and local offices moved on to the November General Election.

Presidential Nominated by Party	California Top-Two Primary Nominated by Voters	County and Local Primary Nonpartisan Candidates
President and Vice-President	<ul> <li>U.S. Senate (partial, full terms)</li> <li>U.S. Representative (Districts 4, 7, and 8)</li> <li>State Senator (District 3)</li> <li>State Assembly Member (District 11)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>School Districts*</li> <li>Special District Boards*</li> <li>Municipal Offices*</li> </ul>
The candidates nominated by each political party are on the ballot.	The top-two candidates, the ones with the most votes from the March Primary, are on your ballot.	
You can write-in a candidate for President and Vice President.	There is no write-in for these offices.	You can write-in a candidate for these offices.
The party nominating the candidate is listed with the candidate's name.  A candidate may be nominated by	The candidate's party preference (or "None") is listed with their name.  Both candidates on the ballot may	Candidates for nonpartisan offices do not have a party preference listed on the ballot.
more than one party.	have the same party preference.	

<sup>\*</sup>Not all districts have an election. Please review your sample ballot for the contests available to you.

# **U.S. Senate Contest Information**

There are two contests for U.S. Senate on the November 5, 2024 General Election Ballot:

- The first contest is a special vacancy election for the remainder of the term, due to vacancy, ending on January 3, 2025 (partial unexpired term)
- The second contest is for the full 6-year term ending January 3, 2031

You may vote on both.

For more information you can:



Email the Elections Department at elections@solanocounty.com

Visit out website at www.solanocounty.com/elections

Visit the California Secretary of State's website at https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/upcoming-elections/general-election-nov-5-2024

# **VOTER INFORMATION**



The following pages contain information relating to your ballot, which may include

Candidates' Statements\*

Arguments\*\*

- Ballot Measures\*
- Analyses

This information guide may not contain a statement for each candidate. Each candidate's statement is volunteered by the candidate and is printed at the expense of the candidate unless otherwise determined by the governing body. (EC 13312

- \* All measure documents and Candidates' Statements are printed exactly as filed.
- \*\* Arguments in support of or in opposition to the proposed laws are the opinions of the authors. (EC 9315)

  Refer to the State Voter Information Guide for information on state candidates and measures.

# **Party Endorsements**

	Democratic	Republican	American Independent	Green	Libertarian	Peace and Freedom
US Senate (Full Term)	Adam Schiff					
US Senate (Partial Term)	Adam Schiff					
Congressional District 4	Mike Thompson	John Munn	John Munn			
Congressional District 7	Doris Matsui	Tom Silva	Tom Silva			
Congressional District 8	John Garamendi	Rudy Recile	Rudy Recile			
Assembly District 11	Lori D Wilson	Dave Ennis				
State Senate District 3	Christopher Cabaldon	Thom Bogue	Thom Bogue			

# **Campaign Expenditure Limits**

The following California Legislative candidates have accepted voluntary campaign expenditure limits, and were eligible to purchase a Candidate Statement of Qualifications in this Voter Information Guide (listed in alphabetical order by last name):

- State Senate, District 3 Thom Bogue, Christopher Cabaldon
- State Assembly, District 11 Dave Ennis, Lori D Wilson

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STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, DISTRICT 8	
JOHN GARAMENDI	
No statement submitted.	

# STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR **UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, DISTRICT 8 RUDY RECILE AGE**: 56 Occupation: Business Owner / Consultant Education and Qualifications: Hello, fellow Americans! I'm a proud Retired US Army Major, former US Department of Agriculture employee and owner of a small web design company. My family made Solano County our home for 18 years. My platform issues include energy independence, supporting the Bill of Rights, tax dollars accountability, public safety, supporting veterans, California's water issues and quality education. I support successful public schools, protecting our children and I believe in equality of opportunity for everyone. I'm President of a children's education non-profit organization, and treasurer for a Veterans of Foreign Wars Post. I volunteer with community organizations at voter registration drives and other events. I was a logistics officer at the Pentagon in Washington DC,. I became savvy with the inner workings of various agencies, and how to successfully accomplish the mission. During the 2020 election cycle, I wasn't pleased with what I witnessed. I decided to run for congress because my 33 years of service to the USA prepared me well to immediately serve you in Congress. I am on a mission to restore our country with new blood and fresh ideas. "Ang Inyong Lingkod" (At Your Service), Rudy

# **CALIFORNIA STATE SENATE, DISTRICT 3** THOM BOGUE Occupation: City Council Member / Business Owner Education and Qualifications: As a former Vice Mayor, Mayor, current City Council Member, and Small Business owner, I have held key positions with esteemed organizations including the Solano Transportation Authority (STA), Solano County Water Agency (SCWA), Yolo-Solano Air Resource Board, Green Belt Authority, Association Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Planning Commission and Executive Board. I have collaborated with Congressmen to secure housing for our homeless veterans. Successfully housed up to 75% of our local homeless population. Developed a comprehensive plan to incorporate income-based housing within every residential project, effectively addressing this crisis head-on. By doing so, we will create safer and more prosperous communities. In partnership with STA significantly enhanced public transportation: Expanding bus routes, ferry services throughout the bay area, and doorto-door services for the elderly. Additionally, we allocated funds to support our agricultural community in meeting climate change mandates. While I do not fully endorse California's complete transition to electric energy, I acknowledge the importance of expanding our resource base while concurrently improving our use of fossil fuels. I believe that diversification is the key to our future success. As a father, I have always prioritized parental rights. I strongly advocate for parents having the final say in matters concerning their children's education. Recognizing California residents possess tremendous potential. I believe that transcending partisan politics, working together, we can restore our Golden State to its former glory, regain its esteemed status, bring prosperity and an enhanced quality of life back to all Californians. People before politics! www.ThomBogue4StateSenate.com **BT53**

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR

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# **CALIFORNIA STATE SENATE, DISTRICT 3 CHRISTOPHER CABALDON** Occupation: Education and Qualifications: Like so many of us, the opportunity for a good education changed my life. I was honored when President Obama appointed me to create over 400 initiatives across the country to guarantee a tuition-free college education for graduating local high school As Vice-Chancellor of California Community Colleges and university professor, I've worked to strengthen California's education system. In the Senate, I'll deliver resources to help students succeed and prepare them for modern careers. As West Sacramento mayor, I turned our forgotten industrial town into a place that was named "America's Most Livable City" with good jobs, safe neighborhoods, and quality housing that's affordable. I'm running for Senate to expand prosperity and economic opportunity to families evervwhere. During my tenure as mayor, we lowered unsheltered homelessness by 58%. I'll focus on building more housing, expanding mental health and job training services, and keeping us safe. I know we can make communities more secure because I've done it, cutting burglary and assault rates by more than half. A proven champion for the environment and agriculture, I've cracked down on polluters and protected thousands of acres of habitat, farmland, and open space. I'll protect our water supplies and communities threatened by wildfires and floods. My campaign is supported by the California Democratic Party, Planned Parenthood Northern California Action Fund, the Sierra Club, and Congressman Mike Thompson. I have a track record of delivering real results on the biggest challenges facing our communities. I hope to earn your vote. www.CabaldonforSenate.com

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR

# STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 11

### LORI WILSON

Occupation: Assemblymember, 11th District

**Education and Qualifications:** As your state representative, I'm delivering results for our community and focused on building a California for everyone!

I made a promise to you in early 2022 to hit the ground running fighting for the issues you care about. I've kept that promise!

I've delivered over \$20 million in state resources directly to our District for public safety, housing, electric vehicle infrastructure, flood resiliency, and transportation projects while passing landmark legislation supporting manufacturing, people with disabilities, flood control projects, habitat restoration, and the needs of farmers.

All this was accomplished while I battled breast cancer! Now, cancer-free and with a continued sense of purpose and optimism for the future, "y'all ain't seen nothing vet".

We need long-term solutions for homelessness, housing, public safety, climate change, transportation and more. That's why I led negotiations for the statewide bond measures on your ballot, Proposition 2 and Proposition 4, giving you the choice to fund education, key infrastructure projects, and other priorities for our state.

As the chair of the Assembly Transportation Committee, I'm working to speed construction to improve traffic circulation and lessen commute times. Making Interstate 80, Highway 12, State Route 37 and our local roads safer!

I'm also deeply concerned about our democracy. To that end, as the Chair of the California Legislative Black Caucus, I'm reaching out across diverse communities to reinforce everyone's right to live their version of the California Dream with dignity and respect.

Let's build a California for everyone, I would be honored to have your vote. Thank you.

ElectLoriWilson.com

# DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATA PARA MIEMBRO DE LA ASAMBLEA ESTATAL. DISTRITO 11

### LORI WILSON

Ocupación: Miembro de la Asamblea, Distrito 11

**Educación y Competencia:** Como su representante estatal, ofrezco resultados a nuestra comunidad y me centro en construir una California para todos.

A principios de 2022 le prometí que me pondría manos a la obra para luchar por los asuntos que a usted le preocupan. ¡He cumplido esa promesa!

He obtenido más de \$20 millones en recursos estatales directamente para nuestro Distrito para proyectos de seguridad pública, vivienda, infraestructura de vehículos eléctricos, resiliencia a las inundaciones y transporte, al tiempo que aprobaba leyes históricas de apoyo a la industria manufacturera, las personas con discapacidad, los proyectos de control de inundaciones, la restauración del hábitat y las necesidades de los granieros.

¡Todo esto lo conseguí mientras luchaba contra el cáncer de seno! Ahora, sin cáncer y con una sensación de propósito y optimismo para el futuro, "todavía no han visto nada".

Necesitamos soluciones a largo plazo para la indigencia, la vivienda, la seguridad pública, el cambio climático, el transporte y mucho más. Por eso encabecé las negociaciones para las iniciativas de ley de bonos a nivel estatal en su boleta, la Propuesta 2 y la Propuesta 4, que le dan la opción de financiar la educación, proyectos clave de infraestructura y otras prioridades para nuestro estado.

Como presidenta del Comité de Transporte de la Asamblea, estoy trabajando para acelerar las obras que mejoren la circulación del tráfico y reduzcan los tiempos de desplazamiento al trabajo. ¡Hacer más seguras la Interestatal 80, la Autopista 12, la Ruta Estatal 37 y nuestras carreteras locales!

También me preocupa profundamente nuestra democracia. Con ese fin, como Presidenta de la Asamblea Partidaria Legislativa Negra de California, estoy tendiendo la mano a diversas comunidades para reforzar el derecho de todos a vivir su versión del Sueño de California con dignidad y respeto.

Construyamos una California para todos, sería un honor contar con tu voto. Gracias.

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# PAHAYAG NG KANDIDATO PARA SA MIYEMBRO NG ASEMBLEYA NG ESTADO, DISTRITO 11

# LORI WILSON

Trabaho: Miyembro ng Asembleya, Ika-11 Distrito

**Edukasyon at mga Kuwalipikasyon:** Bilang inyong kinatawan ng estado, maghahatid ako ng mga resulta para sa ating komunidad at nakatuon sa pagbuo ng California para sa lahat!

Nangako ako sa inyo sa unang bahagi ng 2022 na simulan ang pakikipaglaban para sa mga usaping pinahahalagahan ninyo. Tinupad ko ang pangakong iyon!

Direkta kong inihatid ang mahigit \$20 milyon sa mga mapagkukunan ng estado sa Distrito para sa pampublikong kaligtasan, pabahay, imprastruktura ng de-kuryenteng sasakyan, katatagan sa baha, at mga proyektong pantransportasyon habang nagpapasa ng makasaysayang lehislasyon na sumusuporta sa pagmamanupaktura, mga taong may mga kapansanan, mga proyekto sa pagkontrol ng baha, pagpapanumbalik ng tahanan ng buhay-ilang, at mga pangangailangan ng mga magsasaka.

Naisakatuparan ang lahat ng ito habang nilalabanan ko ang kanser sa suso! Ngayong walang na akong kanser at may nagpapatuloy na layunin at optimismo para sa hinaharap, "hindi niyo pa nakikita ang lahat".

Kailangan natin ang mga pangmatagalang solusyon para sa kawalan ng tirahan, pabahay, pampublikong kaligtasan, pagbabago sa klima, transportasyon at marami pa. Kung kaya pinangunahan ko ang mga negosasyon para sa mga panukala sa bono sa inyong balota sa buong estado, ang Proposisyon 2 at Proposisyon 4, na magbibigay sa inyo ng mapagpipilian para pondohan ang edukasyon, mga pangunahing proyektong imprastruktura, at iba pang mga priyoridad para sa ating estado.

Bilang tagapangulo ng Komite ng Asembleya sa Transportasyon, nagsusumikap ako upang mapabilis ang konstruksyon upang mapabuti ang sirkulasyon ng trapiko at mabawasan ang mga oras ng biyahe. Ginagawang mas ligtas ang Interstate 80, Highway 12, State Route 37 at ang ating mga lokal na daan.

Lubos kong inaalala ang ating demokrasya. Sa layuning iyon, bilang Tagapangulo ng California Legislative Black Caucus, nakikipag-ugnayan ako sa iba't ibang komunidad upang mabigyang-diin ang karapatan ng bawat isa na mamuhay sa kanyang bersyon ng California Dream nang may dignidad at paggalang.

# STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY, DISTRICT 11

### **DAVID ENNIS**

Occupation: Professional Civil Engineer

**Education and Qualifications:** People in our District are struggling to make ends meet. While the homeless look for shelter, our state legislatures focus on issues that do not put food on the table, stop crime, or improve our schools. I have a new vision, back to basics and getting our children a good education, helping small business stay in business, and creating jobs for hard working folks. With common sense and community spirit, we can make California proud again.

I am a professional civil engineer (Duke) licensed in California since 1994 with executive experience in the aerospace industry. I envision a crime free and affordable District with local jobs and shorter commutes. I want our local schoolboards to focus on reading, writing, and arithmetic (STEM), independent of statewide educational mandates. I support school choice, and a back-to-basics approach to education. I want to stop crime, and reform criminals, mindful that the victims are not guilty! We need to prevent crime and fix Prop 47.

I spent 2 years on the San Leandro Planning Commission and 4 years as President of the United Parents for San Leandro High School. I have spent 6 years reviewing cost effectiveness and technical feasibility for FEMA projects in California, Texas, and Puerto Rico approving over \$1BN of projects with Federal funding for resilient infrastructure instead of more local taxes.

Details are on my website: https://www.ennis2024.org

I will earn your vote, focused on supporting our families, building affordable housing, crime free safety, education, and jobs.

### DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA MIEMBRO DE LA ASAMBLEA ESTATAL. DISTRITO 11

# **DAVID ENNIS**

Ocupación: Ingeniero Civil Profesional

Educación y Competencia: La gente de nuestro Distrito tiene dificultades para llegar a fin de mes. Mientras los indigentes buscan refugio, nuestras legislaturas estatales se enfocan en asuntos que no ponen comida en la mesa, ni detienen el delito, ni mejoran nuestras escuelas. Tengo una nueva visión, volver a lo básico y lograr que nuestros hijos reciban una buena educación, ayudar a las pequeñas empresas a seguir funcionando y crear puestos de trabajo para la gente trabajadora. Con sentido común y espíritu comunitario, podemos hacer que California vuelva a sentirse orquilosa.

Soy ingeniero civil profesional (Duke) licenciado en California desde 1994 con experiencia ejecutiva en la industria aeroespacial. Imagino un Distrito sin crímenes y asequible, con empleos locales y desplazamientos más cortos. Quiero que nuestras juntas escolares locales se centren en la lectura, la escritura y la aritmética STEM (Ciencia, Tecnología, Ingeniería, Matemática), independientemente de los mandatos educativos estatales. Apoyo la elección de escuela y un enfoque de la educación que vuelva a lo básico. Quiero acabar con el crimen y reformar a los delincuentes, ¡sin olvidar que las víctimas no son culpables! Necesitamos prevenir el crimen y corregir la Prop 47.

Pasé 2 años en la Comisión de Planificación de San Leandro y 4 años como Presidente de Padres Unidos para la Escuela Secundaria San Leandro. He pasado 6 años revisando la rentabilidad y la viabilidad técnica de los proyectos de la FEMA en California, Texas y Puerto Rico, aprobando más de \$1 Mil Millones en proyectos con financiamiento Federal para infraestructuras resilientes en lugar de más impuestos locales.

Encontrará más información en mi página web: https://www.ennis2024.org

Me ganaré su voto, centrándome en el apoyo a nuestras familias, la construcción de viviendas asequibles, la seguridad sin delitos, la educación y el empleo.

# STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION Trustee Area No. 2

# BONNIE HAMILTON

Occupation: Pediatrician/Parent

**Education and Qualifications:** I'm running for Solano County Board of Education Area 2 to help ensure our students have access to the best education possible and can reach their full potential. As a pediatrician, mom, and community volunteer, I have decades of expertise and practical experience caring for local kids and families.

Education was my pathway to opportunity. It wasn't easy growing up, losing my father at a young age and witnessing the challenges my mother faced, raising me and my 4 brothers on her own. My mother taught me tenacity, compassion and devotion to family. My father taught me service, curiosity and a love of learning.

My daughter attended Fairfield public schools and struggled due to a hearing disAbility. We worked closely with teachers and school administration. She ultimately graduated with honors and is now a research scientist.

I know that enriching the lives of our children and youth will improve our community and help create a thriving future. On the Board of Education, I will work to make life better for kids and parents and to ensure our schools are places where every student can find opportunity, purpose and success, whether they are college bound or learn a valuable trade.

I'd be honored to have your vote!

www.DrBonnieHamilton.com

# STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR **SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION** Trustee Area No. 2 **CAROL KALAMARAS** Occupation: Retired Educator Education and Qualifications: My BA in English is from University Michigan. I received Library Science Graduate Degree, Berkeley. I have California Clear General Secondary Credential (7-12) & School Library Administration (K-12). In Solano County I field tested Spanish reading materials in Dixon developed by Bay Area Bilingual Education League, funded by Title VII through Berkeley Unified School District. While an elected trustee FSUSD 1979-1987, I represented Solano County on the California School Board Association's General Assembly as a Director, Area 3, Napa, Solano, Sonoma. I have also supervised student teachers completing their final step in classroom experience through Touro and Chapman credential programs. During my twenty years participating on Solano County Library Advisory Council, we achieved very first tax appropriation to support funding for increased services and materials for Solano County Library System. My current role in California Retired Teachers Association, Div. 24 (Solano County), has me advocating the repeal of an unfair penalty by social security offset known as WEP/GPO. We have 650 members! The breadth and depth of my history of service to students, teachers and citizens of this county are foremost in shaping my hopes to bring a fresh outlook and balanced viewpoint to this office if elected in Novem-

# STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION Trustee Area No. 2

**AMY SHARP AGE:** 49

Occupation: Mom/Children's Advocate/Solano County Board of Education Trustee

Education and Qualifications: BA, Government, CSU Sacramento; Masters in Governance, CSBA

Kids aren't one-size-fits-all, and their education shouldn't be either.

I'm focused on quality education with a solid path for all kids. From high achievers to those struggling and every student in between; kids with special needs, those needing a second chance, and those failed by the system. As a longtime Children's Advocate and mom, I know every child deserves the best education.

My direct-to-teacher grants plan is putting needed supplies in classrooms. I helped parents and educators get Board approval for a charter school that is improving test scores and morale for an entire community. I continue my push for career technical education programs, sports and

I'm your independent voice in schools. I ask tough guestions, oppose wasteful spending and bad policies, while working together to find solutions. I voted against closing schools and for community-driven programs that make a difference. I was unanimously elected by my colleagues and chosen by local districts to represent Solano County at the California School Boards Association.

If re-elected, I'll continue keeping politics out, putting children first and empowering parents. I'd be honored to earn your vote. Learn more at AmySharp.org or call my cell at (707) 592-1829.

# **DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATA PARA** LA JUNTA DE EDUCACIÓN DEL CONDADO DE SOLANO Área Sindical N.º 2

**AMY SHARP** FDΔD: 49

Ocupación: Mamá/Defensora de los Niños/Síndica de la Junta de Educación del Condado de Solano

Educación y Competencia: BA (Licenciada) en Gobierno, CSU (Universidad Estatal de California) Sacramento; Maestría en Gobernanza, CSBA.

Los niños no son de talla única, y su educación tampoco debería serlo.

Me centro en una educación de calidad con una orientación sólida para todos los niños. Desde los estudiantes de alto rendimiento hasta los que tienen dificultades, pasando por todos los estudiantes con necesidades especiales, los que necesitan una segunda oportunidad v aquellos a los que el sistema les ha fallado. Como madre v Defensora de los Niños desde hace mucho tiempo, sé que todos los niños merecen la meior educación

Mi plan de subsidios directos a los maestros consiste en distribuir el material necesario en las aulas. Ayudé a padres y educadores a obtener la aprobación de la Junta para una escuela autónoma que está mejorando los resultados de las pruebas y la moral de toda una comunidad. Sigo impulsando los programas de educación técnica profesional, los deportes y las artes.

Soy su voz independiente en las escuelas. Hago preguntas difíciles, me opongo al despilfarro y a las malas políticas, al tiempo que colaboro para encontrar soluciones. He votado en contra del cierre de escuelas y a favor de programas comunitarios que hagan la diferencia. Fui electa unánimemente por mis colegas y elegida por los distritos locales para representar al Condado de Solano en la Asociación de Juntas Escolares de California.

Si soy reelegida, seguiré manteniendo la política al margen, dando prioridad a los niños v empoderando a los padres. Sería un honor ganarme su voto. Más información en AmySharp.org a llamando a mi celular al (707) 592-1829.

# STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF THE GOVERNING BOARD Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District, Trustee Area 3

### **BRIGETTE HUNLEY**

Occupation: Parent/Education Advisor

Education and Qualifications: I'm running for the Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District Governing Board because I want to ensure our kids have a high-quality public education. As a school board member, I will meet with parents, families, and educators to find common-sense solutions to problems facing our schools.

Our schools are our best opportunity to create college and career ready students that are ready to find well-paying jobs in the real-world. I am an over 25 year resident of Fairfield, where my husband Andrew and I raised our daughter Hannah. As a parent, I know the challenges FSUSD parents face in advocating for their children's education. As an education advisor, I have worked to bring our classrooms into the 21st century by giving students access to state of the art resources that help their learning.

As a school board member, my focus will be on making sure the school district supports every student's future. Our public schools are our very best way to make a difference in the lives of children in Fairfield-Suisun. I would be honored to earn your vote.

Learn more at VoteHunlev.com

### **DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATA PARA** MIEMBRO DE LA JUNTA GUBERNATIVA Distrito Escolar Unificado de Fairfield-Suisun, Área Sindical 3

### **BRIGETTE HUNLEY**

Ocupación: Madre/Conseiera de Educación

Educación y Competencia: Me estoy postulando para la Junta Gubernativa del Distrito Escolar Unificado de Fairfield-Suisun porque guiero asegurar que nuestros niños reciban una educación pública de alta calidad. Como miembro de la junta escolar, me reuniré con padres, familias y educadores para encontrar soluciones de sentido común a los problemas que enfrentan nuestras escuelas.

Nuestras escuelas son la mejor oportunidad para crear estudiantes preparados para el colegio y las carreras que estén listos para encontrar empleos bien remunerados en el mundo real. Soy residente de Fairfield desde hace más de 25 años, donde mi esposo Andrew v vo criamos a nuestra hija Hannah. Como madre, conozco los desafíos que enfrentan los padres del FSUSD (Distrito Escolar Unificado de Fairfield-Suisun) en la defensa de la educación de sus hijos. Como consejera de educación, he trabajado para llevar nuestras aulas al siglo 21 dando a los estudiantes acceso a recursos de vanguardia que ayuden a su aprendizaje.

Como miembro de la junta escolar, me centraré en garantizar que el distrito escolar apoye el futuro de todos los estudiantes. Nuestras escuelas públicas son nuestra mejor manera de hacer una diferencia en las vidas de los niños en Fairfield-Suisun. Sería un honor contar con su voto.

Más información en VoteHunley.com

# PAHAYAG NG KANDIDATO PARA SA MIYEMBRO NG NAMAMAHALANG LUPON

Pinag-isang Distrito ng Paaralan ng Fairfield-Suisun, Lugar ng Katiwala 3

# **BRIGETTE HUNLEY**

Trabaho: Magulang/Tagapayo sa Edukasyon

Edukasyon at mga Kuwalipikasyon: Ako ay kumakandidato para sa Namamahalang Lupon ng Pinag-isang Distrito ng Paaralan ng Fairfield-Suisun dahil gusto kong tiyakin na ang ating mga anak ay may mataas na kalidad na pampublikong edukasyon. Bilang miyembro ng lupon ng paaralan, makikipagpulong ako sa mga magulang, pamilya, at edukador na maghanap ng mga solusyong ginagamitan ng sentido-kumon sa mga problemang kinakaharap ng ating mga paaralan.

Ang ating mga paaralan ay ang ating pinakamabuting oportunidad upang lumikha ng mga estudyanteng handa sa kolehiyo at karera na handang maghanap ng mga trabahong may magandang suweldo sa totoong mundo. Ako ay mahigit 25 taong residente ng Fairfield, kung saan ako at ang aking asawang si Andrew ay nagpalaki sa aming anak na si Hannah. Bilang magulang, alam ko ang mga hamon na kinakaharap ng mga magulang sa FSUSD sa pagtataguyod para sa edukasyon ng kanilang mga anak. Bilang tagapayo sa edukasyon, nagtrabaho ako upang ihatid ang ating mga klase sa ika-21 siglo sa pamamagitan ng pagbibigay sa mga estudyante ng akses sa mga makabagong mapagkukunan na tumutulong sa kanilang pag-aaral.

Bilang miyembro ng lupon ng paaralan, ang aking pokus ay ang pagtitiyak na sinusuportahan ng distrito ng paaralan ang kinabukasan ng bawat estudyante. Ang ating mga pampublikong paaralan ay ang ating pinakamabuting paraan upang makagawa ng pagkakaiba sa buhay ng mga bata sa Fairfield-Suisun. Ikinararangal kong makamit ang inyong boto.

Alamin pa sa VoteHunlev.com

# STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF THE GOVERNING BOARD Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District. Trustee Area 3

### JUDI HONEYCHURCH

Occupation: FSUSD Trustee Vice-President/Educator/Parent

**Education and Qualifications:** I am running for reelection because I strongly believe in free public education for all children. I have devoted my entire adult life in support of public education, first as a teacher, district administrator, school principal, and now governing board trustee.

My top priorities as a member of the Governance Team are designed to support diversity, equity and inclusion to improve student learning. We need to retain and recruit quality teachers and staff, continue to provide educational options for families, and expand our career technical education opportunities for students to acquire the necessary skills for quality jobs. We must improve our graduation rates and remain fiscally sound.

My husband, Denis, and I have lived in this area for over 40 years and have three adult sons who have successfully completed their K-12 years in our district schools.

I am proud of the progress our district has made, but we have more work to do. I believe board continuity is especially needed to support our new superintendent as we move forward.

Please help to improve and excel in educating our students by voting for me this November.

### DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATA PARA MIEMBRO DE LA JUNTA GUBERNATIVA Distrito Escolar Unificado de Fairfield-Suisun, Área Sindical 3

### JUDI HONEYCHURCH

Ocupación: Síndica Vicepresidenta/Educadora/Madre del FSUSD (Distrito Escolar Unificado de Fairfield-Suisun)

Educación y Competencia: Me postulo a la reelección porque creo firmemente en la educación pública gratuita para todos los niños. He dedicado toda mi vida adulta en apoyo de la educación pública, primero como maestra, administradora del distrito, director de escuela y ahora como síndica de la junta gubernativa.

Mis principales prioridades como miembro del Equipo de Gobernanza están destinadas a apoyar la diversidad, la equidad y la inclusión para mejorar el aprendizaje de los estudiantes. Tenemos que retener y reclutar a maestros y personal de calidad, continuar proveyendo opciones educacionales para las familias y ampliar nuestras oportunidades de educación técnica profesional para que los estudiantes adquieran las habilidades necesarias para conseguir empleos de calidad. Debemos mejorar nuestros índices de graduación y seguir siendo fiscalmente sólidos.

Mi esposo, Denis, y yo hemos vivido en esta área durante más de 40 años y tenemos tres hijos adultos que han completado con éxito los años de K-12 en las escuelas de nuestro distrito.

Estoy orgullosa del progreso que nuestro distrito ha hecho, pero tenemos más trabajo por hacer. Creo que la continuidad de la junta es especialmente necesaria para apoyar a nuestro nuevo superintendente a medida que avanzamos.

Por favor ayude a mejorar y sobresalir en la educación de nuestros estudiantes votando por mí este noviembre.

# PAHAYAG NG KANDIDATO PARA SA MIYEMBRO NG NAMAMAHALANG LUPON Pinag-isang Distrito ng Paaralan ng Fairfield-Suisun, Lugar ng Katiwala 3

### JUDI HONFYCHURCH

Trabaho: Bise Presidenteng Katiwala ng FSUSD/Edukador/Magulang

**Edukasyon at mga Kuwalipikasyon:** Tumatakbo ako upang muling mahalal dahil lubos akong naniniwala sa libreng pampublikong edukasyon para sa lahat ng bata. Inilaan ko ang kabuuan ng aking buhay bilang nasa hustong gulang sa pagsuporta sa pampublikong edukasyon, una bilang guro, administrador ng distrito, punong-guro ng paaralan, at ngayon, katiwala ng namamahalang lupon.

Ang aking mga nangungunang priyoridad bilang miyembro ng Pangkat sa Pamamahala ay idinisenyo upang suportahan ang dibersidad, ekidad at ingklusyon upang mapabuti ang pag-aaral ng estudyante. Kailangan nating magpanatili at kumuha ng mga dekalidad na guro at tauhan, patuloy na magkaloob ng mga opsyon sa edukasyon para sa mga pamilya, at palawakin ang ating mga oportunidad sa edukasyong karerang teknikal para makakuha ang mga estudyante ng mga kasanayan na kinakailangan para sa mga de-kalidad na trabaho. Kailangan nating pagbutihin ang ating antas ng nagtapos at manatiling maayos ang pananalapi.

Ako at ang aking asawang si Denis ay nanirahan sa lugar na ito ng mahigit 40 taon at may tatlong anak na nasa hustong gulang na matagumpay na nakumpleto ang kanilang taon sa K-12 sa ating mga distrito ng paaralan.

Ipinagmamalaki ko ang pag-unlad na nagawa ng ating distrito, ngunit marami pa tayong dapat gawin. Naniniwala ako na ang pagpapatuloy ng lupon ay partikular na kailangang upang masuportahan ang bago nating superintendente habang tayo ay sumusulong.

Mangyaring tumulong sa pagpapabuti at paghusay sa pagbibigay ng edukasyon sa ating mga estudyante sa pamamagitan ng pagboto sa akin ngayong Nobyembre.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR	
CITY CLERK	
City of Fairfield	
KAREN L. REES	
No statement submitted.	

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR	
CITY TREASURER	
City of Fairfield	
ARVINDA KRISHNAN	
No statement submitted.	

BOARD OF DIRECTORS Solano Irrigation District, Division No. 2	
	AGE: 64
Education and Qualifications: Hello again; my name is Charles Herich and I am running for re-election of the Solano Irrigation Di (SID) Director - Division 2. It has been both a pleasure and an hoto serve you as the Division 2 Director for the past 3-1/2 years. Although this job can be rewarding and interesting, it can also be challenging and somewhat frustrating at times. However, I believ that working closely with the other SID board members that we hachieved significant results. We have been able to keep SID's raincreases @ less than the California inflation rate while improving SID's safety and reliability performance. Water rate increases habeen 3 – 4 % on average for the past 3-1/2 years while the Californiation rate has been above 8 % on average for the last 3-1/2 ye By comparison, PG&E's rate increases have been more than 12 per year over the same period of time. More work needs to be dethis area and I intend to focus my efforts on cost efficiency, safety reliability. I am asking for your support by voting for me.	District concording the very concording the very concording to very concording the very concordinate the very concording the v

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR

# STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** Solano Irrigation District, Division No. 2 **LANCE A PORTER** Occupation: Retired Businessman / Farmer Education and Qualifications: My name is Lance Porter and I am excited to announce my candidacy for the SID Board. I am a customer of SID and a long-time successful business owner in Vacaville. In my role as a business owner, I understand firsthand the key factors that drive success: a focus on the customer, operational efficiency, and cost control. I am confident in my ability to focus on these three issues while managing costs effectively and eliminate waste. Adapting to a changing environment is crucial for any successful enterprise. Over my 40-year career, I have consistently demonstrated my ability to evolve and thrive in shifting circumstances. With SID facing water restriction mandates from the State Government in Sacramento, it is imperative to have someone who excels at anticipating and navigating change. This is where my expertise shines. SID requires thoughtful, strategic, and experienced leadership. I have a proven record in these areas, and with your support, I would be honored to contribute my skills to lead SID effectively over the next four Thank you in advance for your vote!

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** Solano Irrigation District, Division No. 2 **WILLIAM D BRAZELTON** Occupation: Farmer Education and Qualifications: I am running for Solano Irrigation District, Division 2 because I believe I can bring a balanced perspective to the board. My family has been farming in Solano County since 1915 and as a 4th generation farmer I've had the opportunity to see how water impacts our agricultural lands. In 2021 I spent the summer working for Solano Irrigation District as a Watertender where I became familiar with the infrastructure through which our water flows, making a mental note of how the infrastructure and organization could use some improvements for continued success. As a farmer that uses Solano Irrigation District water, this experience allowed me to better understand how water impacts both the organization and the end user. Additionally, for over 10 years I have been on the Solano County Farm Bureau Board of Directors, advocating for farmers and ranchers at the local, state, and federal levels. I've built strong relationships with our representatives over this time, allowing me to advocate for our Solano County water resources. I look forward to serving you on the Solano Irrigation District Board of Directors, Division 2. Thank you for your vote.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR

### **MEASURE L**

# THE FAIRFIELD BUSINESS LICENSE MODERNIZATION AND SIMPLIFICATION MEASURE

Fairfield Business License Modernization and Simplification Measure. To protect essential city services such as pothole/street repair; fire protection/9-1-1 response; neighborhood police patrols; city park maintenance: senior and vouth programs; and for general government use, shall the measure be adopted modernizing and simplifying Fairfield's business license ordinance, with rates of \$55 and up, and other rates as specified in the ordinance, until ended by voters, providing approximately \$1,000,000 annually, including independent audits?

YES

NO

# IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE L

Measure L is the "Fairfield Business License Modernization and Simplification Measure." Measure L was placed on the ballot by a unanimous vote of the City Council. If approved by the voters, this Measure would amend the Fairfield Municipal Code to update the City's business license structure, and increase the rates of business license tax paid by businesses in the City.

The City of Fairfield, like many cities, requires businesses that operate in the City to obtain a business license, and pay an annual business license tax to help support the City's infrastructure, programs, and services. In a 2024 City Council study session on the issue, staff informed the City Council that the structure and tax rates have not been changed since 1984. The current business license tax ordinance includes a structure that determines business license tax rates based on multiple tiered rates for different types of businesses and levels of gross annual revenue. Measure L would reduce the number of tiers of businesses, and simplify administration of the ordinance. Business license tax rates would increase by various amounts specified in Measure L for businesses in each of the new tiers. The rates for smaller businesses would be less than for larger businesses.

The business license tax is a general tax, which means the tax revenue can be spent for all general governmental purposes. The City estimated that this Measure will raise approximately \$1,000,000 per year in new local revenue for use in the City. The City Council's adopted ballot question states this new revenue could be used to protect essential City services, including fixing potholes and maintaining streets; maintaining 9-1-1 response times; city park maintenance; senior and youth programs; and other general government purposes.

Measure L would permit the City Council to make other adjustments to the business license ordinance that do not increase the tax rates above what is allowed by Measure L. In the future, tax rates would be adjusted annually to reflect CPI increases. Measure L would be in effect until ended by the voters. Revenue from Measure L is subject to the City's annual budget and audit requirements.

Article XIIIC of the California Constitution, commonly known as Proposition 218, requires that the proposed general tax be approved by a majority of the voters voting on the Measure. A "yes" vote on Measure L is to amend the business license

ordinance and increase tax rates. A "no" vote on Measure L is to not amend the business license ordinance and keep the tax rates and structure the same.

David Lim Fairfield City Attorney

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure M. If you desire a complete copy of the TOT Ordinance, please call the City Clerk at (707) 428-7384 and a copy will be sent to you at no cost.

# MEASURE L FULL TEXT CITY OF FAIRFIELD RESOLUTION NO. 2024-189

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD APPROVING AND ORDERING THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD A BALLOT MEASURE TO AMEND CHAPTER 10(B) OF THE FAIRFIELD MUNICIPAL CODE TO MODERNIZE AND SIMPLIFY THE BUSINESS LICENSE TAX AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024, DIRECTING THAT THE CITY ATTORNEY PREPARE AN IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS AND PROVIDING FOR ARGUMENTS AND REBUTTALS RELATED TO THE MEASURE

**WHEREAS**, Fairfield is a full-service city, equipped with its own City-run police, fire, park, public works including water utility services; and

**WHEREAS**, the health, safety, and welfare of all residents in the City of Fairfield ("the City") is the City's top priority; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairfield faces a structural budget deficit that it is trying to solve; and

**WHEREAS**, the general fund pays for important City services such as police, fire, and paramedic services; 911 emergency response; emergency street repairs and maintenance; neighborhood park and recreation services; and general municipal services to the public; and

**WHEREAS**, the City proposes modernize and simplify the Business License Tax, until ended by voters, as directed by City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed changes are designed to attract, retain, and encourage business growth and job creation in Fairfield, and increase some rates, while simplifying oversight and compliance; and

**WHEREAS**, the tax was last adjusted 40 years ago in 1984 and includes a complicated structure of 24 tiered rates for different types of businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed changes, locally enacted, could generate approximately \$1 million in additional annual funding for local general services. The Business License Tax is a general tax that is deposited into the City's general fund; and

**WHEREAS**, local, voter-approved funding for essential services will provide a guaranteed source of funding for the City of Fairfield that cannot be taken by the State and all funds would stay in Fairfield for local services and infrastructure only; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed measure will be subject to fiscal accountability protections such as public disclosure of all spending; mandatory annual audits that ensure funds are used effectively and as promised and only to benefit the Fairfield community; and

**WHEREAS**, the general rule is that a Business License Tax must be placed on a regularly scheduled general election for members of the City Council, unless the City Council adopts a resolution proclaiming a fiscal emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, at the March 12, 2024, City Council Study Session, the Council directed staff to bring back to the Council for approval Transient Occupancy Tax and Business License Tax Modernization and Simplification Ballot measures to be placed on November 2024 ballot: and

**WHEREAS**, the current 24 tiers structure of the Business License Tax is difficult to administer, and a lot has changed in the 40 years since it was last updated, including new industries and dramatic changes to how people work; and

**WHEREAS**, the current structure places an unfair burden on small businesses and does not ensure that larger businesses pay a fair share for the city services and infrastructure they utilize; and

**WHEREAS**, to qualify for the ballot, 2/3 of the City Council (5 of 7 members) are required to approve the Business License Tax ordinance. If a council member is absent from the meeting, 5 City Council Members are still required to vote affirmatively for the item to qualify for the ballot; and

**WHEREAS**, if so, approved by the Council, and then passed by the voters on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, with a majority of voters (50% plus 1) supporting the measure, it would go into effect on January 1, 2025.

# NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD HEREBY RESOLVES:

Section 1. The City Council pursuant to its right and authority, does order to be submitted to the voters at the General Election to be held on November 5, 2024, the following question:

# Proposed Language for Business License Modernization and Simplification Measure Election on November 5, 2024 THE FAIRFIELD BUSINESS LICENSE MODERNIZATION AND SIMPLIFICATION MEASURE MEASURE L: Fairfield Business License Modernization and Simplification Measure. To protect essential city services YES

Fairfield Business License Modernization and Simplification Measure. To protect essential city services such as pothole/street repair; fire protection/9-1-1 response; neighborhood police patrols; city park maintenance; senior and youth programs; and for general government use, shall the measure be adopted modernizing and simplifying Fairfield's business license ordinance, with rates of \$55 and up, and other rates as specified in the ordinance, until ended by voters, providing approximately \$1,000,000 annually, including independent audits?

NO

Section 2. The proposed measure submitted to the voters is hereby approved in Ordinance 2024-04, which is incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 3. The City will reimburse the county for the actual cost incurred in conducting the election upon receipt of a bill stating the amount due as determined by the election's official.

Section 4. In all particulars not recited in this Resolution, the election shall be held and conducted as provided by law for holding municipal elections.

Section 5. Notice of the time and place of holding the election is given and the City Clerk is authorized, instructed and directed to give further or additional notice of the election, in time, form and manner as required by law.

Section 6. Pursuant to California Elections Code Section 9280, the City Council hereby directs the City Clerk to transmit a copy of the measure to the City Attorney. The City Attorney shall prepare an impartial analysis of the measure, not to exceed 500 words in length, showing the effect of the measure on the existing law and the operation of the measure, and transmit such impartial analysis to the City Clerk not later than 5 p.m. on August 14, 2024.

Section 7. Arguments for or against this measure shall be submitted not later than 5 p.m. on August 16, 2024, to the City Clerk.

Section 8. The City Council adopts the provisions of subdivision (a) of Section 9285 of the Elections Code to permit rebuttal arguments if arguments have been filed in favor of and against the measure which is being submitted to the voters of the City at this special election. Rebuttal arguments shall be filed not later than 5:00 p.m. on August 20, 2024.

Section 9. The City Clerk is hereby directed to file a certified copy of this Resolution with the Solano County Board of Supervisors and the Solano County Registrar of Voters.

Section 10. This action is Categorically Exempt per CEQA Section 21080(b)(9); 15300 which applies to any project that has been determined not to have significant effect on the environment and exempt from this division.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July 2024, by the following vote:

AYES: MEMBERS: MOY/BERTANI/CARR/PANDURO/TONNESEN/VACCARO/WILLIAMS

NOES: MEMBERS: <u>NONE</u>
ABSENT: MEMBERS: <u>NONE</u>
ABSTAIN: MEMBERS: NONE

s/Catherine Moy

**MAYOR** 

ATTEST:

s/Karen L. Rees

CITY CLERK

# ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED LAWS ARE THE OPINIONS OF THE AUTHORS.

# ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE L

Vote Yes on L & M to maintain essential services in Fairfield without increasing taxes on most residents.

Measures L & M are companion measures that work together to provide locally controlled funding for local services in Fairfield.

Measure L only impacts businesses operating in Fairfield and does not increase taxes on residents.

Measure M only impacts guests staying in hotels and motels in Fairfield and does not increase taxes on residents.

Specifically, voting Yes on L modernizes and simplifies Fairfield's business license ordinance that was last updated in 1984.

Measure L is designed to attract, retain, and encourage business growth and job creation in Fairfield while simplifying oversight and compliance. It also helps to protect small businesses as they grow and ensures the largest businesses in Fairfield pay their fair share for the local city services and infrastructure they rely upon.

Funds from Measure L will:

- Repair potholes and maintain Fairfield's 793 miles of local streets
- Ensuring fire protection and disaster preparedness for storms, flooding, and wildfires
- Maintain rapid 9-1-1 emergency medical response services
- Maintain city parks, recreation centers, playgrounds, and athletic fields and courts
- · Support neighborhood police patrols

# Measure L requires fiscal accountability and local control:

- Measure L gives Fairfield local control over funds for local needs. No funds can be taken by the State.
- Annual independent audits and public disclosure of all spending ensures that all funds are spent properly

For victims of heart attacks, strokes, accidents and other emergencies, seconds can be the difference between life and death.

Voting Yes on Measures L & M will help maintain fast 9-1-1 emergency medical response times, fire protection, police patrols and good roads to keep us safe.

Vote Yes on L & M to maintain essential services in Fairfield without increasing taxes on most residents.

City of Fairfield s/Catherine Moy, Mayor

Fairfield POA

s/David Neal, President

Fairfield Professional Firefighters Association s/Phillip Bailey

Napa-Solano Central Labor Council (AFLCIO) s/Glenn Lovell, Executive Director

s/Charles Timm

### REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE L

Measures L and M tax local businesses. The City says neither measure will affect local residents. That's not true.

When Measure L raises license taxes on businesses, they can absorb the added cost by accepting a lower profit, cutting expenses, or passing the increase on to us. The result is that service suffers or prices rise. That affects us.

Measure M affects guests at our local hotels and motels first. Those visitors will either pay the price or look elsewhere. Some will make the second choice and that will affect businesses who benefit from out-of-towners - restaurants, shopping centers, entertainment. When patronage declines, businesses lose revenue and face the same choice they did with the license tax: reduce service or raise prices. Again, that affects us.

The City cannot continue raising taxes that eventually harm us citizens. The City Council has to take the lead and direct departments to reduce spending so the City lives within its means - its present revenue sources -- like the rest of us do.

We send that message by voting NO on Measures L and M.

Central Solano Citizen Taxpayer Group s/Janet S. Roberts, President

s/John S. Takeuchi Editor, Tax Watchers column

s/Alan M. Scott Secretary, Central Solano Citizen Taxpayer Group

s/Ray G. Conner Developer

s/Rod J. Ferroggiaro

# ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED LAWS ARE THE OPINIONS OF THE AUTHORS.

# ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE L

Measure L increases the cost of a business license for most businesses, some doubling.

Does this tax improve operating conditions for the businesses in the City? NO

Many businesses may increase their prices, thus passing the tax on to us.

Is the City reducing its spending enough to make this tax unnecessary?  ${\sf NO}$ 

Businesses already pay income and property taxes for public services. Why another one?

The only reason for this tax is to increase revenue for the City.

Tell the City that everybody is taxed enough and to cut spending.

Vote NO on Measure L.

Central Solano Citizen Taxpayer Group s/Janet S. Roberts. President

s/John S. Takeuchi

Editor, Tax Watchers column

s/Alan M. Scott

Secretary, Central Solano Citizen Taxpayer Group

s/Ray G. Conner

s/Rod J. Gerroggiaro

# REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE L

The opponents don't understand Measure L and ignore these FACTS:

- Yes on L modernizes an outdated law. Fairfield's business license tax was set 40 years ago. Businesses pay the same flat tax they paid in 1984. Measure L modernizes the tax to match service costs and streamlines compliance.
- Yes on L protects small businesses. The city recently cut expenses and services by more than \$5 million.
   Measure L protects small business from further cuts, like police and emergency medical response.
- Yes on L ensures large businesses pay their fair share. Businesses use city services just like residents and Measure L ensures large businesses pay their fair share for the local city streets, police, fire protection, and rapid emergency response they rely upon.
- Yes on L <u>DOES NOT</u> increase taxes on residents.
   Measure L only impacts businesses operating in Fairfield and does not increase taxes on residents by one dime.
- Yes on L means local control for Fairfield. Measure L gives Fairfield local control over local funds for local needs. Every penny stays in Fairfield and cannot be taken away.
- Yes on L protects essential services in Fairfield.
  Locally controlled funding will help repair potholes,
  maintain local streets, support fire protection,
  neighborhood police patrols, and rapid 9-1-1 emergency
  response.
- Yes on L requires fiscal accountability. Annual independent audits and public disclosure of all spending ensures that all funds are spent properly.

Vote Yes on L, and its companion Measure M, to maintain essential services in Fairfield without increasing taxes on residents.

s/Sean P Quinn

s/Samuel Morris

s/Wanda Williams

Solano County Supervisor, District 3

s/Raymond Courtemanche

s/Teresa Courtemanche

MEASURE M				
THE FAIRFIELD TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX (TOT) MEASURE				
Fairfield Essential Services Protection Measure. To protect essential city services such as pothole/street repair; fire protection/9-1-1 response; neighborhood police patrols; city park maintenance; senior and youth programs; and for general government use, shall the ordinance be adopted	YES			
updating Fairfield's existing transient occupancy (hotel) tax, paid only by hotel/ lodging guests, from 10% to 12%, until ended by voters, providing approximately \$600,000 annually, that cannot be taken by the State, including annual independent audits?	NO			

MEACURE M

# CITY ATTORNEY'S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE M

Measure M is the "Fairfield Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) Measure." If approved by the voters, this Measure would amend Fairfield's existing Transient Occupancy Tax Ordinance (the "TOT Ordinance") to increase the rate of the City's TOT by two percent. The TOT is paid by guests who occupy, or have the right to occupy, hotels, inns, or other short-term lodgings within the City for 30 consecutive calendar days or fewer. The current TOT rate is ten percent (10%). This Measure would increase the TOT rate to twelve percent (12%).

At the proposed new rate, for example, a hotel stay costing a guest \$100 would generate a tax of \$12, instead of the current \$10. The TOT is collected from the lodging guests and paid to the City by operators of such lodgings.

The Measure would be a general tax, which means the tax revenue could be spent for all general governmental purposes. The City estimated that this Measure will raise approximately \$600,000 per year in new local revenue for use in the City. The City Council's adopted ballot question states this new revenue would be used to protect essential City services, including pothole/street repair; fire protection/9-1-1 response; neighborhood police patrols; city park maintenance; senior and youth programs; and for general government use.

Measure M would permit the City Council to adjust the TOT to a rate that is less than 12%, but not higher, without further voter approval. The TOT Ordinance would be in effect from January 1, 2025 until ended by the voters. Measure M was placed on the ballot by a unanimous vote of the City Council.

Article XIIIC of the California Constitution, commonly known as Proposition 218, requires that the proposed general tax be approved by a majority of the voters voting on the Measure. A "yes" vote on Measure M is to amend the TOT Ordinance. A "no" vote on Measure M is to not amend the TOT Ordinance and keep the tax rate the same.

David Lim Fairfield City Attorney

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure M. If you desire a complete copy of the TOT Ordinance, please call the City Clerk at (707) 428-7384 and a copy will be sent to you at no cost.

# MEASURE M FULL TEXT CITY OF FAIRFIELD RESOLUTION NO. 2024-190

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD APPROVING AND ORDERING THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD A BALLOT MEASURE TO AMEND FAIRFIELD MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 18.13(a) TO INCREASE THE TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX (TOT) RATE BY TWO PERCENT AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024, DIRECTING THAT THE CITY ATTORNEY PREPARE AN IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS AND PROVIDING FOR ARGUMENTS AND REBUTTALS RELATED TO THE MEASURE

**WHEREAS**, Fairfield is a full-service city, equipped with its own City-run police, fire, park, public works including water utility services; and

**WHEREAS**, the health, safety, and welfare of all residents, businesses, and visitors in the City of Fairfield ("the City") is the City's top priority; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairfield faces a structural budget deficit that it is trying to solve; and

**WHEREAS**, the general fund pays for important City services such as police, fire, and paramedic services; 911 emergency response; emergency street repairs and maintenance; neighborhood park and recreation services; and general municipal services to the public; and

**WHEREAS**, the City proposes an increase in the amount of two percent, until ended by voters, to the existing Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) rate as directed by City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, a Transient Occupancy Tax is paid by hotels and motels guests, and tourists to ensure they contribute to maintaining the roads, infrastructure, public safety services and other resources they utilize while staying in Fairfield; and

**WHEREAS**, the tax was established in 1965 and the current 10% tax rate was last adjusted 40 years ago in 1984 and the proposed increase to 12% will bring it in line with neighboring communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed, locally enacted, Transient Occupancy Tax measure is projected to generate additional general fund revenue of approximately \$600,000 annually for a two percent rate increase; and

**WHEREAS**, local, voter-approved funding for essential services will provide a local source of additional funding for the City of Fairfield that cannot be taken by the State and all funds would stay in Fairfield for local services and infrastructure only; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed measure will be subject to fiscal accountability protections such as public disclosure of all spending; mandatory annual audits that ensure funds are used effectively and as promised and only to benefit the Fairfield community; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 7280 the City of Fairfield ("City") has the authority to levy a Transient Occupancy Tax for general purposes, and subject to voter approval; and

**WHEREAS**, the general rule is that a Transient Occupancy Tax must be placed on a regularly scheduled general election for members of the council, unless the council adopts a resolution proclaiming a fiscal emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, at the March 12, 2024, City Council Study Session, the council directed staff to bring back approval of Transient Occupancy Tax and Business License Tax Modernization and Simplification Ballot measures to a future council meeting to be considered for submission to the voters at the November 2024 election; and

WHEREAS, if Fairfield's measure passes, then the Transient Occupancy Tax rate will be 12 percent; and

**WHEREAS**, the TOT is not imposed on Fairfield residents, rather it is imposed on occupants of hotels, inns, Airbnb, and other short-term lodging facilities for stays of 29 days or less. The TOT is applied to a customer's lodging bill. The TOT is a general tax that is deposited into the City's general fund.

**WHEREAS**, to qualify for the ballot, 2/3 of the City Council (Five members) are required to vote affirmatively for the Transient Occupancy Tax ordinance. If a council member is absent from the meeting, Five City Council Members are still required to vote affirmatively for the item to qualify for the ballot; and

**WHEREAS**, if so, approved by the council, and then passed by the voters on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, with a majority of voters (50% plus 1) supporting the measure, it would go into effect on January 1, 2025.

# NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD HEREBY RESOLVES:

Section 1. The City Council pursuant to its right and authority, does order to be submitted to the voters at the General

Election to be held on November 5, 2024, the following question:

# Proposed Language for Transient Occupancy Tax Measure Election on November 5, 2024 THE FAIRFIELD TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX (TOT) MEASURE Measure M: Fairfield Essential Services Protection Measure. To protect essential city services such as pothole/street repair; fire protection/9-1-1 response; neighborhood police patrols; city park maintenance; senior and youth programs; and for general government use, shall the ordinance be adopted updating Fairfield's existing transient occupancy (hotel) tax, paid only by hotel/ lodging guests, from 10% to 12%, until ended by voters, providing approximately \$600,000 annually, that cannot be taken by the State, including annual independent audits?

Section 2. The proposed measure submitted to the voters is hereby approved in Ordinance 2024-05, which is incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 3. The City will reimburse the county for the actual cost incurred in conducting the election upon receipt of a bill stating the amount due as determined by the election's official.

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Section 5. Notice of the time and place of holding the election is given and the City Clerk is authorized, instructed and directed to give further or additional notice of the election, in time, form and manner as required by law.

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**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 16th day of July 2024, by the following vote:

AYES: MEMBERS: MOY/BERTANI/CARR/PANDURO/TONNESEN/VACCARO/WILIAMS

NOES: MEMBERS: NONE
ABSENT: MEMBERS: NONE
ABSTAIN: MEMBERS: NONE

s/<u>Cathy Moy</u> MAYOR

ATTEST:

s/KAREN L. REES CITY CLERK

# ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED LAWS ARE THE OPINIONS OF THE AUTHORS.

# ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE M

Vote Yes on L & M to maintain essential services in Fairfield without increasing taxes on most residents.

Measures L & M are companion measures that work together to provide locally controlled funding for local services in Fairfield.

Measure L only impacts businesses operating in Fairfield and does not increase taxes on residents.

Measure M only impacts guests staying in hotels and motels in Fairfield and does not increase taxes on residents.

Specifically, voting Yes on M increases Fairfield's hotel/ motel tax paid by visitors to ensure they contribute to maintain the roads, infrastructure, public safety services and other resources they utilize while staying in Fairfield.

The current 10% tax rate was last adjusted 40 years ago in 1984 and would increase to 12%, in line with the rate in other communities in the area.

Funds from Measure M will:

- Repair potholes and maintain Fairfield's 793 miles of local streets
- Ensuring fire protection and disaster preparedness for storms, flooding, and wildfires
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City of Fairfield s/Catherine Moy, Mayor

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s/David Neal, President

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s/Charles Timm

# REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE M

Measures L and M tax local businesses. The City says neither measure will affect local residents. That's not true.

When Measure L raises license taxes on businesses, they can absorb the added cost by accepting a lower profit, cutting expenses, or passing the increase on to us. The result is that service suffers or prices rise. That affects us.

Measure M affects guests at our local hotels and motels first. Those visitors will either pay the price or look elsewhere. Some will make the second choice and that will affect businesses who benefit from out-of-towners - restaurants, shopping centers, entertainment. When patronage declines, businesses lose revenue and face the same choice they did with the license tax: reduce service or raise prices. Again, that affects us.

The City cannot continue raising taxes that eventually harm us citizens. The City Council has to take the lead and direct departments to reduce spending so the City lives within its means - its present revenue sources -- like the rest of us do.

We send that message by voting NO on Measures L and M.

Central Solano Citizen Taxpayer Group s/Janet S. Roberts, President

s/John S. Takeuchi Editor. Tax Watchers column

s/Alan M. Scott Secretary, Central Solano Citizen Taxpayer Group

s/Ray G. Conner Developer

s/Rod J. Ferroggiaro

# ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED LAWS ARE THE OPINIONS OF THE AUTHORS.

### ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE M

Measure M increases the City's Transient Occupancy Tax from 10% to 12%.

Does this improve business conditions for our hotels and motels, or for the businesses that benefit from visitors? NO

It just makes hotels and motels tax collectors.

It discourages employers who house employees temporarily in long-term hotels. It may be less expensive to pay their travel costs.

The City Manager asked each department to cut 5% from its coming budget request. Only a few came close to doing it. Was it enough to make this tax unnecessary? NO

Measure M's increase is solely to boost revenue for the City.

Use this opportunity to tell the City to cut spending. We're taxed enough already.

Vote NO on Measure M.

Central Solano Ctizen Taxpayer Group s/Janet S. Roberts, President

s/John S. Takeuchi Editor, Tax Waters column

s/Alan M. Scott

Secretary, Central Solano Citizen Taxpayer Group

s/Ray G. Conner

s/Rod J. Ferroggiaro

# REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE M

The opponents don't understand Measure M and ignore these FACTS:

- Yes on M brings Fairfield in line with other cities.
   Fairfield's hotel/ motel tax was last updated 40 years ago and is lower than other cities in the area. Measure M simply brings our rate to the same as others.
- Yes on M <u>DOES NOT</u> increase taxes on residents.
   Measure M only impacts guests staying in hotels and motels in Fairfield and does not increase taxes on residents by one dime.
- Yes on M ensures visitors to Fairfield pay their fair share. When visitors stay in Fairfield, they use our infrastructure and services. Measure M ensures visitors pay their fair share for the local city streets, police, fire protection, and rapid emergency response they rely upon.
- Yes on M means local control for Fairfield. Measure
  M gives Fairfield local control over local funds for local
  needs. Every penny stays in Fairfield and cannot be
  taken away.
- Yes on M protects essential services in Fairfield.
   Locally controlled funding will help repair potholes,
   maintain local streets, support fire protection,
   neighborhood police patrols, and rapid 9-1-1 emergency response.
- Yes on M requires fiscal accountability. Annual independent audits and public disclosure of all spending ensures that all funds are spent properly.

Vote Yes on M, and its companion Measure L, to maintain essential services in Fairfield without increasing taxes on residents.

s/Wanda Williams Solano County Supervisor, District 3

s/Samuel Morris

s/Ana Puanita Petero

Teacher

s/Christina Encarnacion

s/George Kennedy

# **ADOPT-A-POLL**

By adopting a polling place, you will earn money that can be donated to your organization, church, or school.

# Other Benefits:

- Your organization can display the name of your group outside the polling place.
- You will be added to the community partners list, highlighted on the County website and mentioned during a County Board of Supervisors meeting.
- You will receive Election Day shirts for your team to wear on Election Day.





# To qualify, you must:

- Speak, read, and write English;
- Complete the training program; and
- Serve all day \*

\*Your group has the option to split up the day's shifts, adding flexibility to everyone's schedule!

We especially encourage Spanish and Tagalog speaking poll workers to apply!



Text Solano to 2VOTE (28683) (Message and data rates may apply)



Fill out the form at solanocounty.com/adopt\_a\_poll



Contact via email at: pollworker@solanocounty.com

# UPDATE YOUR VOTER REGISTRATION

# Have you moved? Do you need to update your voter information? Register to Vote Online!

# What will I need?

- ★ California Drivers License Number or Identification Card Number
- ★ Last 4 of Social Security Number
- ★ Date of Birth

# What do I do?

- ★ Go to RegisterToVote.Ca.Gov
- ★ Click on the "Register to Vote Now" button
- ★ Follow the prompts on the screen





# **VOTER BILL of RIGHTS**





# YOU HAVE THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS



- The right to vote if you are a registered voter. You are eligible to vote if you are:
  - ★ a U.S. citizen living in California
  - 🛊 at least 18 years old
  - registered where you currently live
- not currently serving a state or federal prison term for the conviction of a felony, and
- not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court
- 2. The right to vote if you are a registered voter even if your name is not on the list.

You will vote using a provisional ballot. Your vote will be counted if elections officials determine that you are eligible to vote.

- 3. The right to vote if you are still in line when the polls close.
- The right to cast a secret ballot without anyone bothering you or telling you how to vote.
- 5. The right to get a new ballot if you have made a mistake, if you have not already cast your ballot. You can:
  - **Ask an elections official at a polling place** for a new ballot, **Exchange your vote-by-mail ballot** for a new one at an elections office, or at your polling place, or
  - Vote using a provisional ballot.
- 6. **The right to get help casting your ballot** from anyone you choose, except from your employer or union representative.
- 7. The right to drop off your completed vote-by-mail ballot at any polling place in California.
- 8. The right to get election materials in a language other than English if enough people in your voting precinct speak that language.
- 9. The right to ask questions to elections officials about election procedures and watch the election process. If the person you ask cannot answer your questions, they must send you to the right person for an answer. If you are disruptive, they can stop answering you.
- 10. **The right to report any illegal or fraudulent election activity** to an elections official or the Secretary of State's office.

### SPECIAL NOTICE

- Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the day indicated in the posted county Voter Information Guide.
- Specific instructions on how to vote, including how to cast a provisional ballot, can be obtained from a poll worker or by reading the information mailed to you by your local elections official.
- If you are a newly registered voter, you may be asked to provide appropriate identification or other documentation according to federal law. But please note that every individual has the right to cast a provisional ballot even if he or she does not provide the documentation.
- It is against the law to represent yourself as being eligible to vote unless you meet all of the requirements to vote under federal and state law.
- It is against the law to tamper with voting equipment.

If you believe you have been denied any of these rights call the Secretary of State's confidential toll-free Voter Hotline at (800) 345-VOTE (8683).

On the web at www.sos.ca.gov

By phone at **(800) 345-VOTE (8683)** 

By email at elections@sos.ca.gov

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# pre-register at sixteen. vote at eighteen.

Online pre-registration is now available for eligible 16 and 17 year olds at **RegisterToVote.ca.gov**.\* California youth who pre-register to vote will have their registration become active once they turn 18 years old.

1. VISIT



2. PRE-REGISTER



Click the "Pre-Register to Vote" button.

3. TURN 18



Become automatically registered on your 18th Birthday.

4. VOTE

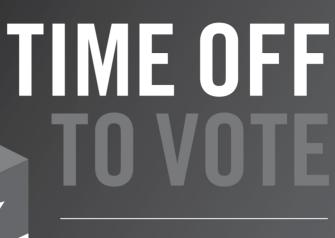


Cast your ballot on Election Day!

\*Pre-registration is also available on paper voter registration forms



SECRETARY OF STATE SHIRLEY N. WEBER, PH.D



POLLS ARE OPEN FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M. EACH ELECTION DAY

If you are scheduled to be at work during that time and you do not have sufficient time outside of working hours to vote at a statewide election, California law allows you to take up to two hours off to vote, without losing any pay.

You may take as much time as you need to vote, but only two hours of that time will be paid.

Your time off for voting can be only at the beginning or end of your regular work shift, whichever allows the most free time for voting and the least time off from your regular working shift, unless you make another arrangement with your employer.

If three working days before the election you think you will need time off to vote, you must notify your employer at least two working days prior to the election.

# ATTENTION VOTERS



Solano County is required to provide a translated copy of the official ballots to voters in both Spanish and Tagalog. Any voter in Solano County can request a copy of this ballot for any precinct in the election. Requests can be made at any time. Translated ballots will be delivered at least 10 days before Election Day.

To request a copy of a translated ballot in Spanish or Tagalog, please use one of the following methods:



By Phone – Call (707) 784-6675 during office hours Monday through Friday 8a.m. to 5p.m.



By E-mail – elections@solanocounty.com; place the words "TRANSLATED BALLOT REQUEST" in the subject line for faster processing;



On our website: www.solanocounty.com/elections - click the link for "TRANSLATED BALLOT REQUEST"



All polling places in Solano County provide copies of ballots translated in Spanish and Tagalog. For a complete list of polling places, please visit www.solanocounty.com/elections.





El Condado de Solano tiene la obligación de proporcionarles a los votantes una copia traducida de las boletas electorales oficiales en español y tagalo. Cualquier votante en el Condado de Solano puede solicitar una copia de esta boleta electoral para cualquier distrito electoral en la elección. Las solicitudes pueden realizarse en cualquier momento. Las boletas electorales traducidas serán entregadas al menos 10 días antes del Día de la Elección.

Para solicitar una copia de la boleta electoral traducida al español o tagalo, por favor use uno de los siguientes métodos:las siguientes maneras:



Por Teléfono – Llame al 707-784-6675 durante el horario de atención regular, de lunes a viernes de 8am a 5pm.



Por Correo Electrónico – elections@solanocounty.com; coloque las palabras "TRANSLATED BALLOT REQUEST" (SOLICITUD DE BOLETA ELECTORAL TRADUCIDA) en la línea del asunto para un procesamiento más rápido;



En nuestro sitio web: www.solanocounty.com/elections - haga clic en el enlace "TRANSLATED BALLOT REQUEST" (SOLICITUD DE BOLETA ELECTORAL TRADUCIDA)



Todos los lugares de votación en el Condado de Solano proporcionan copias de boletas electorales traducidas al español y tagalo. Para una lista completa de lugares de votación, por favor visite www. solanocounty.com/elections.

# TINATAWAG ANG PANSIN NG MGA BOTANTE



Ang County ay inaatasang magkaloob ng isang isinaling kopya ng mga opisyal na balota sa mga botante sa pareho ng Kastila at Tagalog. Sinumang botante sa County ng Solano ay makahihiling ng isang kopya ng balotang ito para sa alinmang presinto sa halalan. Ang mga paghiling ay magagawa anumang oras. Ang mga isinaling balota ay ihahatid ng hindi bababa sa 10 araw bago ang Araw ng Halalan.

Upang humiling ng isang kopya ng isang isinaling balota sa Kastila o Tagalog, mangyaring gamitin ang isa sa mga sumusunod na paraan:



Sa Pamamagitan ng Telepono – Tumawag sa 707-784-6675 sa mga oras ng opisina Lunes hanggang Biyernes 8am hanggang 5pm.



Sa pamamagitan ng E-mail – elections@solanocounty.com; ilagay ang mga salitang "TRANSLATED BALLOT REQUEST" (PAGHILING NG ISINALING BALOTA) sa linya ng paksa para sa mas mabilis na pagproseso;



Sa aming website: www.solanocounty.com/elections - i-click ang link para sa "TRANSLATED BALLOT REQUEST"



Lahat ng mga lugar ng botohan sa County ng Solano ay nagkakaloob ng mga kopya ng mga balota na isinalin sa Kastila at Tagalog. Para sa isang kumpletong listahan ng mga lugar ng botohan, mangyaring bisitahin ang www.solanocounty.com/elections.

# TIPS AND ASSISTANCE FOR VOTING IN-PERSON

Your vote is important to us and we want to do all that we can to make the whole in-person voting experience enjoyable. Below you will find a few tips that you may find helpful.

# Before you go...



**Take note of your polling place.** Your polling place may have changed since our last election.

You can find the address and quick reference map to your polling place on the enclosed voter flyer.

You can also find your polling place on the Registrar of Voters' website: www.solanocounty.com/elections.



**Practice marking you ballot.** We have provided a sample of your ballot for you to make selections before heading to the polls. Use it as a guide when you vote your official ballot on Election Day.

To request a sample ballot, you can download one from our website: www.solanocounty.com/elections or call our office at 707-784-6675.

# On Election Day...



**Check your time.** Many voters vote on their way to work, on their lunch hour, or after work. If you have flexibility in your schedule consider visiting us mid-morning or mid-afternoon to miss the crowds.



If you have questions, please ask. Your poll workers will have the answers to many of your questions. You can also give us a call at 707-784-6675 and we will be glad to help.

# If you need assistance...

As a voter, you may bring up to two individuals with you to your polling place to help you cast your ballot, as long as those individuals do not represent your employer or your union. Your polling place will have copies of the ballot in Spanish and Tagalog and may have poll workers ready to assist you who speak Spanish and Tagalog.

Como votante, usted puede traer dos individuos a la estación de votación para que le ayuden a emitir su voto. Sus acompañantes no pueden ser representantes de su empleador o sindicato. La estación de votación quizá mantenga copias en español de la papeleta de votación y empleé trabajadores que le puedan asistir en español.

Bilang botante, maaari kang magkaroon ng hanggang dalawang tao sa iyong lugar ng botohan o presinto upang matulungan kang i-record ang iyong balota, hangga't ang mga taong ito ay hindi kinakatawan ng iyong tagapag-empleyo o iyong unyon. Magkakaroon ng mga kopya ng iyong balota na isinalin sa Tagalog sa iyong lugar ng botohan. Maaaring may mga taong nagtatrabaho na nagsasalita ngtagalog sa lugar ng botohan.