



County Voter Information Pamphlet

Presidential General Election

Tuesday, November 5, 2024

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Important Dates:

- October 7** - Ballots Mailed
- October 7** - Drop Boxes Open
- October 26** - 11 Day Vote Centers Open
- October 29** - LAST Day to Request a Ballot by Mail
- November 2** - 4 Day Vote Centers Open
- November 5** - Election Day

THIS VOTER INFORMATION PAMPHLET CONTAINS **ALL** CANDIDATES IN EL DORADO COUNTY. PLEASE REFER TO YOUR BALLOT FOR CANDIDATES YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE FOR!

El Dorado County Elections Department
3883 Ponderosa Rd
Shingle Springs, CA 95682

Open Monday through Friday, 8am to 5pm

 www.eldoradocounty.ca.gov/Elections
 vbm@edcgov.us
 Office: 530-621-7480
 Toll Free: 800-730-4322
 TDD: 530-677-1011
 Fax: 530-677-1014



Voting Options



Vote by Mail

All registered voters will receive a ballot in the mail.

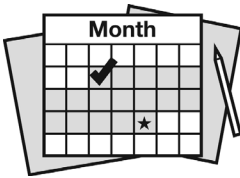
Ballots will be mailed on **October 7**.

If you do not receive a ballot in the mail by

October 21, or need a replacement ballot, call us at **530-621-7480** or **800-730-4322** or come into our office at 3883 Ponderosa Rd., Shingle Springs, CA 95682.

You can return your ballot in the mail, at an official County election drop box, or at any vote center in El Dorado County.

- * Be sure to use only black or blue ink to mark your ballot.
- * Be sure to **SIGN** the return envelope.

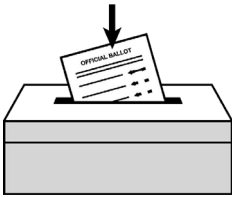


Vote Early at the Election Office

You may vote early starting **October 7**, in our office located at 3883 Ponderosa Rd., Shingle Springs, CA 95682.

Monday through Friday, 8am to 5pm

Election Day hours are **7am to 8pm**



Vote at a Vote Center

11 day Vote Centers will open on **October 26th**.

4 day Vote Centers will open on **November 2nd**.

On Election Day all Vote Centers are open from:

7am to 8pm

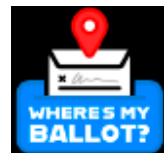
*Locations and hours can be found inside this pamphlet. If you have questions call our office at:

530-621-7480 or 800-730-4322

Sign-up at www.WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov

to receive an automatic email, SMS (text),

or voice call notification about your ballot.





Accessible Voting

At the Vote Center:

All Vote Centers are ADA accessible with temporary thresholds or ramps, if needed.

Accessible Voting System:

Each Vote Center has at least three accessible ballot marking devices that offer:



- An audio option that reads the ballot to you,
- A handheld tactile device with a universal plug for a personal assistive device,
- Large text size with three viewing versions,
- Spanish language ballot if you choose.

Curbside Voting:

Voters may also visit any Vote Center and ask for curbside voting assistance.

Call our office at: **530-621-7480** or **800-730-4322**.

Remote Accessible Vote by Mail Ballot (RAVBM) Assistance:

RAVBM allows voters to mark their selections using their own compatible technology to vote independently and privately in the comfort of their own home. You must have a printer to complete an RAVBM ballot.

How to request an RAVBM ballot:

- ✓ First, the voter must be registered in El Dorado County - you can check your voter status at: **voterstatus.sos.ca.gov**.
You can select to receive an RAVBM ballot on this page, or
- ✓ Second, go to our website: **www.eldoradocounty.ca.gov/County-Government/Elections/Accessible-Voting/Voters-with-Disabilities**
- ✓ Complete the on-line form and submit it according to the directions on the form and mail the wet signature back to us at the address provided on the form.
 1. You will receive an email with a link to your ballot.
 2. Mark your selections.
 3. Download the balloting materials.
 4. Print your ballot.
 5. Sign the Declaration & Oath of Voter (this is the bottom section on the instructions to voter page).
 6. Return the printed and signed Declaration & Oath, along with the marked ballot, either by mail or by dropping it off at a vote center location or ballot drop box.
 7. Note: The ballot cannot be returned electronically.



Who is on the ballot in the General Election?

In the General Election, all voters receive the same presidential candidates on their ballot, no matter what political party you are registered with (or if you have no party preference). Your physical address where you are registered to vote determines which contests are on your ballot. In the Primary Election, all Californians were able to vote to decide which candidates for state and local offices advanced to the General Election.

Voter-Nominated Offices on the General Election ballot

The following voter-nominated offices:

- U.S. Senator
- U.S. Representative
- State Assembly
- There are two U.S. Senate contests on the November 5, 2024, General Election ballot.
- The first contest is the regular election for the full 6-year term ending January 3, 2031.
- The second contest is a special vacancy election (the current officeholder is temporarily filling a vacancy) for the remainder of the current term ending January 3, 2025.
- You may vote for both contests.

The following party abbreviations have been used on your ballot.		
DEM – Democratic	REP – Republican	AI – American Independent
GRN – Green	LIB – Libertarian	PF – Peace and Freedom
None – No Party Preference		

In the Primary Election, the top two candidates with the most votes in each voter-nominated office advance to the General Election ballot regardless of their party preference.

Governor	
Vote for One	Party Preference
<input type="radio"/> JOHN DOE Entrepreneur/CEO	REP
<input type="radio"/> JANE DOE Airport Analyst	DEM

Non-Partisan Offices on the General Election

Additional non-partisan offices on the November ballot that were not on the Primary Election ballot are:

- School
- City
- Special District

In the Primary election, if a candidate for a non-partisan office received majority vote, they were elected and are not on the General Election ballot. However, if no candidate won, the two candidates with the most votes advance to the General Election.

Do I need to register again for each election?

No. Fill out a new Voter Registration card only if you have moved, changed your name, or want to change your party affiliation. You may register to vote on-line at registertovote.ca.gov. If you have any questions regarding your voter registration, please call our office at (530) 621-7480.



Language Needs Information

NOTICE TO VOTERS WITH LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY:

LanguageLine Solutions is our partner to eliminate any language barrier, including American Sign Language. Through them we have nearly instant access to trained video interpreters through a high-quality video application. This will help to reduce your frustration, make the interaction more efficient so you can get through your voting experience easier, and provide outstanding service to our limited English proficient, (LEP) and Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing customers.

NOTE: The electronic Ballot Marking devices at each Vote Center will also have Spanish as an available option or you may request a Spanish paper ballot.

All Vote Centers will offer a Spanish ballot. To request to have one sent to you before Election Day, please call our office at (530) 621-7480. Requests must be received no later than 7 days before Election Day.

If you need assistance when voting, you may bring up to two people with you to your polling place, as long as they are not representatives of your employer or your union. Bring a family member or friend!

AVISO A LOS VOTANTES CON DOMINIO LIMITADO DEL INGLÉS:

LanguageLine Solutions es nuestro socio para eliminar cualquier barrera lingüística, incluido el lenguaje de señas americano. A través de ellos, tenemos acceso casi instantáneo a intérpretes de video capacitados a través de una aplicación de video de alta calidad. Esto ayudará a reducir su frustración, hará que la interacción sea más eficiente para que pueda pasar por su experiencia de votación más fácil y brindará un servicio excepcional a nuestros clientes con dominio limitado del inglés (LEP) y sordos y con problemas de audición.

NOTA: Los dispositivos electrónicos para marcar boletas en cada Centro de Votación también tendrán español como una opción disponible o puede solicitar una boleta de papel en español.

Todos los Centros de Votación ofrecerán una boleta en español. Para solicitar que le envíen uno antes del día de las elecciones, llame a nuestra oficina al (530) 621-7480. Las solicitudes deben recibirse a más tardar 7 días antes del día de las elecciones.

Si necesita ayuda para votar, puede llevar hasta dos personas a su lugar de votación, siempre y cuando no sean representantes de su empleador o de su sindicato. ¡Traiga a un familiar o amigo!



Election Endorsement Information

This pamphlet section may not contain a statement for each candidate. A complete list of candidates appears on the Ballot. Each candidate’s statement in this pamphlet is volunteered by the candidate and is printed at the expense of the candidate unless otherwise determined by the governing body. Each candidate’s statement is printed in uniform format exactly as submitted by the candidate.

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

Prop. 34 – Expenditure Limitations: State Legislative Candidates

Proposition 34 was passed by voters in November 2000. The law requires county election officials to provide the names of those State Legislative candidates who have voluntarily agreed to expenditure limits. Candidates who agree to the expenditure limits may submit and pay for a Candidate’s Statement of Qualification to be printed in this pamphlet. The following State Legislative candidates appearing on ballots in El Dorado County have accepted the voluntary expenditure limitations pursuant to Proposition 34.

<u>1st State Assembly</u> Tenessa Audette, Heather Hadwick	<u>5th State Assembly</u> Joe Patterson,
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Party Endorsement

ELECTION CODE 13302. (b) In connection with an election at which a candidate for a voter-nominated office will appear on the ballot, a qualified political party may submit to the county elections official a list of all candidates for voter-nominated office who will appear on a ballot in the county in question, and who have been endorsed by the party by whatever lawful mechanism the party adopts for endorsing candidates for voter-nominated office. If a political party timely submits a list to the county elections official pursuant to this subdivision, the county elections official shall print the names of the candidates for voter-nominated office who were endorsed by that political party in the voter information portion of the county voter information guide. The party chairperson shall provide a written copy of the list of candidates endorsed by the party not later than 83 days before the election at which the candidate for a voter-nominated office will appear on the ballot. *(Amended by Stats. 2016, Ch. 3, Sec. 43. Effective January 1, 2017.)*

The following is a list of candidates appearing on the ballot in El Dorado County that have been endorsed, pursuant to EC 13302(b), by the listed political parties. All questions about this list should be directed to the party in question.

Party	US Senate (Full Term)	US Senate (Short Term)	3 rd US Rep	5 th US Rep	1 st Assembly	5 th Assembly
American Independent	None	None	Kevin Kiley	Tom McClintock	Tenessa Audette	Joe Patterson
Democratic	Adam B. Schiff	Adam B. Schiff	Jessica Morse	Michael J. Barkley	None	Neva Parker
Republican	None	None	Kevin Kiley	Tom McClintock	None	Joe Patterson



Candidate/Measure Information

The following pages contain countywide voter information. Please refer to your ballot for the contests that are applicable to you.

These pages may include any/all of the following items:



CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

Candidate Statement Information

Candidate statements are optional so this pamphlet section may not contain a statement for each candidate. A complete list of candidates appears on the ballot. Each candidate's statement in this pamphlet is offered by the candidate and is printed at the expense of the candidate unless otherwise determined by the governing body. Each candidate's statement is printed in uniform format exactly as submitted by the candidate.

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

DO NOT PLACE PERSONAL INFORMATION ON YOUR BALLOT (EC14287)

- Personal information/Identifying marks may void your ballot and it may not be counted.
- Personal information includes, but is not limited to, name, initials, address, SSN, CDL, etc.

Step One:

Use only a blue or black ink ballpoint pen to mark your ballot. Do not use red ink pens, sharpies, markers or any other type of pen.

To vote for any Candidate, fill in the oval to the left of your choice.

To vote for any Ballot Question, fill in the oval to the left of your choice of YES or NO.

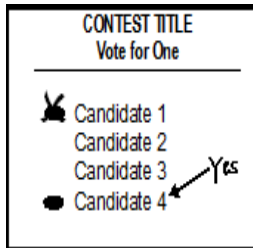
NO

NO

YES



To Correct an Error:



Step Two:

Sign the Declaration of Voter on the return identification envelope.

Your signature on your envelope must match your signature on your voter registration record. If you fail to sign the Declaration of Voter on the return identification envelope, your ballot cannot be counted. Place your voted ballot in the return envelope provided and return it to the Elections Department.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, 3RD DISTRICT**

KEVIN KILEY

AGE: 39

Occupation: United States Representative

Education and Qualifications: Two years ago, I ran for Congress pledging to work in a bipartisan fashion to reduce the national debt and out-of-control spending that harms our economy, makes inflation worse, and jeopardizes our future.

As your Representative, I worked to enact the Bi-Partisan Fiscal Responsibility Act, limiting spending and saving taxpayers \$2.1 trillion by cutting waste, fraud, and abuse while fully protecting Social Security, Medicare, and support for our veterans.

We have all witnessed the devastating consequences of this Administration's failure to secure the border: deadly fentanyl, dangerous criminals, and human trafficking. I helped pass the Secure the Border Act and have urged the President to sign this legislation for common-sense border security.

As your Representative I work to make sure your tax dollars come back to our district for critical projects. As a member of the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee, I secured \$22 million in federal assistance for critical local projects and \$176 Million for water infrastructure and wildfire protection to protect homes and help bring down fire insurance rates.

As a former high school teacher, I'm working on the Education Committee to defend parental rights and increase excellence in education. As a former Deputy Attorney General, I'm working on the Judiciary Committee to support law enforcement and stop rising crime.

Our district is where I was born, raised, and attended public schools. It is an honor to be your Representative, and I humbly ask for your vote. Visit ElectKevinKiley.com to learn more. Thank you.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, 5TH DISTRICT**

MICHAEL J “MIKE” BARKLEY

Occupation: Lawyer/CPA/Programmer

Education and Qualifications: Dear friends and neighbors,

I am a lawyer, certified public accountant (inactive), computer programmer, rancher with wildfire issues, Navy veteran, and activist in local government, water, flooding and environmental issues. My mix of skills makes me uniquely suited to represent you in Washington.

Before you vote, please see my platform on my web sites, mikebarkley4congress.com or mjbarkl.com/run.htm - My specific proposals on my platform will solve many problems and save many lives in this state and country.

Major goals: Strengthen wildfire and casualty insurance protections; Strengthen women's rights and Right to Choose; Restore voting rights; Strengthen labor; Reverse global warming; Reverse the 2017 Billionaire Tax Cut and balance the budget; Add Medicare for All; Repair what Congress did to cause homelessness and soaring rents (Tax Reform Act of 1986, Faircloth Amendment of 1998 and housing subsidy cuts, 2008 limits on low-income housing loans including by Dodd-Frank); Add 43,000,000 acre-feet of water storage and solve California floods and Western U.S. droughts see mjbarkl.com/floods.txt and floods.htm; solve our gun problem;

I have met more than 50,000 of you at your front doors over the past decade. I live in Manteca, less than 120 minutes away from most of you. My home email, phone, and home address are on that platform page. Please email me any questions and comments you might have or invite me over for a chat. I need your vote, please vote for me.

Thank you and best wishes, Mike Barkley

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA
REPRESENTANTE DE ESTADOS UNIDOS, DISTRITO 5**

MICHAEL J “MIKE” BARKLEY

Ocupación: Abogado/CAP/Programador

Educación y Calificaciones: Estimados amigos y vecinos,

Soy abogado, contador público certificado (inactivo), programador de computadoras, un granjero con problemas de incendios forestales, veterano de la Marina y activista del gobierno local contra los problemas del agua, de inundaciones y del medio ambiente. Mi combinación de habilidades me hace el indicado para representarlos en Washington.

Antes de votar, por favor consulte mi plataforma en mis sitios web, mikebarkley4congress.com o mjbarkl.com/run.htm - Mis propuestas específicas en mi plataforma resolverán muchos problemas y salvarán muchas vidas en este estado y el país.

Objetivos principales: Fortalecer las protecciones de los seguros contra incendios forestales y contra accidentes; Fortalecer los derechos de las mujeres y el Derecho a Elegir; Restaurar los derechos de voto; Fortalecer el trabajo; Revertir el calentamiento global; Revertir el Recorte de Impuestos Multimillonario de 2017 y equilibrar el presupuesto; Agregar Medicare para Todos; Reparar lo que hizo el Congreso para provocar la falta de vivienda y el aumento de los alquileres (Ley de Reforma Fiscal de 1986, Enmienda Faircloth de 1998 y recortes de los subsidios de vivienda, límites de 2008 a los préstamos para viviendas de bajos ingresos, incluidos los de la Ley Dodd-Frank); Agregar 43,000,000 acres-pies de almacenamiento de agua y resolver las inundaciones de California y las sequías del oeste de EE. UU. consulte mjbarkl.com/floods.txt y floods.htm; resolver nuestro problema de armas;

He conocido a más de 50,000 de ustedes en las puertas de sus casas en la última década. Vivo en Manteca, a menos de 120 minutos de la mayoría de ustedes. Mi correo electrónico de casa, teléfono y dirección están en la página de esa plataforma. Por favor envíenme por correo electrónico las preguntas y los comentarios que puedan tener, o invítenme a su hogar para charlar. Necesito su voto, por favor vote por mí.

Gracias y mis mejores deseos, Mike Barkley ⁸

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, 5TH DISTRICT**

TOM MCCLINTOCK

Occupation: United States Representative

Education and Qualifications: On Inauguration Day, our borders were secure, America was energy independent, the world was at peace, real wages were rising, inflation was 1.4%, the average 30-year mortgage interest rate was 1.9% and a gallon of gas averaged \$2.39.

Elections have consequences. Leftist policies always produce rising crime, sky-high taxes, poverty, failing schools, chronic shortage of basic necessities and ultimately failing businesses and fleeing families.

We watched these policies destroy our great cities like San Francisco and then our great state of California. Now they are destroying our country. We can't let that happen.

As Chairman of the House subcommittee responsible for immigration, I wrote the reforms to restore the successful Trump policies that secured our boarder and that passed the House.

As a senior member of the House Budget Committee, my work to rein in wasteful government spending has won consistent praise from groups ranging from the National Taxpayers Union to Citizens Against Government Waste.

For 16 years, I have pushed to restore active forest management and to develop our water and power resources on the House Natural Resources Committee.

Freedom works. Government overregulation and overtaxation have made a mess of our lives. A healthy, competitive, consumer-driven economy can restore the abundance, excellence and reliability of all those things upon which our quality of life depends.

You sent me to Washington to fight for these principles. I will need your support in the crucial days ahead.

You can read more at TomMcClintock.com.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
STATE ASSEMBLY, 1ST DISTRICT**

TENESSA AUDETTE

AGE: 47

Occupation: Mayor of Redding, Small Business Owner, Water Board

Education and Qualifications: My job is to fight for and represent El Dorado County: I will assign a dedicated field representative in South Lake Tahoe. Government needs to be more strategic and limited, prioritizing you.

We must protect our homes from catastrophic wildfires by reducing forest fuels. Instead of reactive crisis management, we need to proactively manage resources and make homeowners insurance accessible so our communities thrive.

California is broken and the status quo will not fix it. Like you, I'm tired of seeing the same bad policies produce the same bad results with no accountability. I'm a mom, a small business owner, and the Mayor of Redding. I'm also a Rotarian, local Chamber member, and Constitution Instructor.

My service on statewide Water, Transportation, Homelessness, and Land Use Boards means I know how to navigate the system to advance our North State values. Sacramento badly manages our tax dollars. I will fight to lower taxes and cost of living and prioritize stopping crime and increasing water storage.

Active sheriffs overwhelmingly endorse me, including Modoc County Sheriff Tex Dowdy, who said, "Tenessa is the only candidate I trust to support law enforcement, protect our rights, and fight for our values." I will fight to protect the 2nd amendment.

I stand for parental rights, school choice, and the removal of sexually explicit material from schools.

I ask for your vote to advocate for common-sense policies restoring hope in our beautiful state. Call me directly at (530) 255-4033 or www.VoteTenessa.com.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
STATE ASSEMBLY, 1ST DISTRICT**

HEATHER HADWICK

AGE: 44

Occupation: Farmer & Emergency Manager

Education and Qualifications: I'm a farmer, emergency manager, teacher, wife, and mother who sees how Sacramento ignores and neglects the people of our North State. It's time to change that. My priorities are:

Preventing catastrophic wildfires. Improve forest Management and fully fund firefighter response. I was Deputy Director of Modoc County's Office of Emergency Services – responsible for evacuations, preparedness plans, and recovery efforts. I'll work to make sure people can get fire insurance!

Increasing water storage. Make sure farms and families get the water they need while protecting our watersheds.

Abolishing soft-on-crime laws. Hold criminals accountable for their actions, demand the federal government secure the border, and end California's Sanctuary City" laws that protect illegal immigrant criminals from deportation.

Making food, housing, gas, healthcare and other daily needs more affordable. Get rid of unfair taxes and fees that nickel and dime us to death and protect Proposition 13 to stop property tax increases.

Getting schools back to basics. As a former school board President, teacher, and mom, I'm fighting to keep political agendas out of schools so students can spend time learning to read, write, and do math. I believe in parental choice and letting local school boards govern their districts.

I am pro-life, pro-Second Amendment, pro-property rights, and pro-parental rights.

I've been endorsed by California Professional Firefighters, CALFIRE Local 2881, the California Association of Highway Patrolmen, State Senator Biran Dahle, and Assemblywoman Megan Dahle.

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

JOE PATTERSON

AGE: 42

Occupation: Member of State Assembly, 5th District

Education and Qualifications: This district is where my wife and I call home and have decided to raise our family. It's where our kids attend local public schools. I'm passionate about protecting this community.

Our local families, seniors, and workers are being crushed by the high cost of groceries, the oppressive taxes added onto every gallon of gas, and the outrageous price of electricity. Despite all of this, Governor Gavin Newsom's administration has a new hidden tax that could increase gas prices by another estimated 50 cents per gallon.

Enough is enough.

I've taken on Governor Gavin Newsom by demanding an annual audit of the money being spent on homeless programs and for more transparency (and fewer secrets) in the legislative process. Over the last two years, I've seen billions wasted with little to no visible results.

The Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association PAC endorsed me because I'll continue to fight to end the waste, fraud, and abuse of your tax dollars. I won't vote for tax increases, and I vehemently oppose efforts to undermine Proposition 13.

I'll continue to work to make our community a safer place. I authored legislation that will help reduce wildfire risk and I wrote laws stop the release of violent sexual predators and increase penalties on fentanyl dealers.

I'm endorsed by Sheriff Jeff Leikauf and local law enforcement because they know I support them and will be their voice in the legislature.

Visit my website to learn more: www.JoePatterson.com

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, TRUSTEE AREA 1
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER
UNEXPIRED SHORT TERM**

RACHEL LIBRACH

Occupation: Broker/Co-Owner

Education and Qualifications: My name is Rachel Librach, and I am running for the El Dorado County Office of Education Board (EDCOE) because I'm afraid that we may be losing the quality of education I was privileged to receive when I entered Rolling Hills Middle School in 2009.

EDCOE proudly pioneered school choice opening the first County Office of Education charter school in the state. Recently, teacher unions have openly opposed local charter schools because they present an alternative school choice.

While enabling healthy competition, I encourage parents' power to choose a school that better aligns with their values or learning needs for their children. This synergy drives innovation and academic excellence, benefiting charter and public schools as well as the student.

As I am a Real Estate Broker, female entrepreneur, and co-owner of 2 businesses, I spend every day doing what I love, listening to my clients, thinking of ways outside the box to accomplish their goals, exceeding expectations, and delivering results.

Serving on the EDCOE Board, I will be your voice for freedom of school choice. I commit to full transparency for parents, classrooms' focus on core academics, upholding our community values, and innovating ways to address students' learning needs.

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATA PARA
OFICINA DE EDUCACIÓN DEL CONDADO, FIDEICOMISARIA ÁREA 1
CORTO PLAZO NO VENCIDO**

RACHEL LIBRACH

EDAD: 64

Ocupación: Corredora/Copropietaria

Educación y Cualificaciones: Mi nombre es Rachel Librach, y me postulo para la Oficina de la Junta Educativa del Condado de El Dorado (EDCOE) porque me preocupa que estemos perdiendo la calidad educativa que tuve el privilegio de recibir cuando entré a la Escuela Preparatoria de Rolling Hills en 2009.

La EDCOE orgullosamente promovió la elección escolar al abrir la primera escuela autónoma de la Oficina de Educación del Condado en el estado. Recientemente, los sindicatos de maestros se han opuesto abiertamente a las escuelas autónomas locales porque presentan una alternativa de elección escolar.

Al permitir una competencia saludable, exhorto al poder de los padres para elegir una escuela que se alinee mejor con sus valores y las necesidades de aprendizaje de sus hijos. Esta sinergia brinda innovación y excelencia académica, lo que beneficia a las escuelas autónomas y públicas además de al estudiante.

Como Corredora de Bienes Raíces, emprendedora mujer, y copropietaria de 2 negocios, paso cada día haciendo lo que amo, escuchando a mis clientes, pensando en maneras innovadoras de alcanzar sus metas, superar expectativas, y brindar resultados.

Al servir en la Junta de la EDCOE, seré su voz de libertad de la elección escolar. Me comprometo a una total transparencia para los padres, el enfoque de los salones en bases académicas, mantener los valores de nuestra comunidad, y maneras innovadoras de atender las necesidades de aprendizaje de los estudiantes.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, TRUSTEE AREA 3
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER**

KEN FUTERNICK

Occupation: Retired Educator

Education and Qualifications: Let me tell you a little about me. I've lived in Placerville since 1976, when I became a teacher for the Rescue School District. I have since dedicated my career to this profession. I devoted 20+ years preparing teachers at Sac State and created a statewide teacher recruitment program to reduce the state's teacher shortage.

Currently, I help lead "Bridging Divides – El Dorado" (www.bridgingdivides-eldorado.org), a project designed to unite our community.

I also host two podcasts. I created "Teacher Stories" (www.teacherstories.org) to remind us of the profound difference teachers make in our lives and communities. I launched "Courageous Conversations about our Schools" (www.schoolconversations.org) to help educators, parents, and students have better, less contentious conversations about issues affecting our schools.

Why am I running for a seat on the El Dorado County Board of Education? Because I want to do all I can to ensure that every student obtains a high-quality education. Interacting regularly with parents and educators in this official capacity would allow me to work toward that goal. I hope you will consider giving me the opportunity to serve you, our community, and our students.

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA
MIEMBRO DE LA JUNTA DIRECTIVA DE LA
OFICINA DE EDUCACIÓN DEL CONDADO, FIDEICOMISARIO ÁREA 3**

KEN FUTERNICK

Ocupación: Educador Jubilado

Formación Académica y Cualificaciones: Déjeme contarle un poco sobre mí. He vivido en Placerville desde 1976, cuando me convertí en maestro del Distrito Escolar de Rescue. Desde entonces he dedicado mi carrera a esta profesión. Dedicé más de 20 años a preparar maestros en Sac State y creé un programa estatal de reclutamiento de maestros para reducir la escasez de maestros del estado.

Actualmente, ayudo a liderar "Bridging Divides – El Dorado" (www.bridgingdivides-eldorado.org), un proyecto diseñado para unir a nuestra comunidad.

También presento dos podcasts. Creé "Historias de Maestros" (www.teacherstories.org) para recordarnos la profunda diferencia que marcan los maestros en nuestras vidas y comunidades. Lancé "Conversaciones Valientes sobre Nuestras Escuelas" (www.schoolconversations.org) para ayudar a educadores, padres, y estudiantes a tener conversaciones mejores, menos polémicas sobre temas que afectan a nuestras escuelas.

¿Por qué me estoy postulando para un puesto en la Junta de Educación del Condado de El Dorado? Porque quiero hacer todo lo posible para garantizar que cada estudiante obtenga una educación de alta calidad. Interactuar regularmente con padres y educadores en esta calidad oficial me permitiría trabajar para alcanzar esa meta. Espero que considere darme la oportunidad de servirles a usted, a nuestra comunidad y a nuestros estudiantes.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, TRUSTEE AREA 3
GOVERNING BOARD MEMEBER**

KEVIN P YOUNG, EA

AGE: 66

Occupation: Taxologist, Father, Grandfather

Education and Qualifications: Being a resident of El Dorado county for 34 years, I have found El Dorado county to be a place with a strong moral compass while progressing socially and economically. I believe I can bring a strong skill set to the El Dorado Board of Education as a trustee.

As an Enrolled Agent and business owner in El Dorado county for over 25 years, I have helped many individuals and businesses get back on track financially. I understand the importance of negotiation since I deal with federal and state taxing agencies daily. My career as an EA spans over 30 years. I spent five years in the securities industry as a fund analyst and tax analyst. I also serve on multiple boards as a director or in a CFO capacity.

I am asking for your vote so that I can be your nonpartisan voice as a trustee on the El Dorado Board of Education advocating for a fair and balanced approach to policy making as it relates to children's rights, parent's rights, supporting the charter school programs, enhancing education opportunities, while maintaining fiscal responsibility.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
LAKE TAHOE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, TRUSTEE AREA 3
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER**

BOB ANDERSON

Occupation: Retired Classroom Teacher

Education and Qualifications: Hello, my name is Bob Anderson. As a long-time resident of South Lake Tahoe and a retired classroom teacher in the Lake Tahoe Unified School District, I understand the challenges and opportunities our schools face. My commitment is to restore trust in our district by prioritizing transparency and community involvement. I will focus on improving student achievement and ensuring the safety of our students.

I believe that the foundation of a strong school district lies in addressing the individual needs of each school, supporting our dedicated employees, and most importantly, prioritizing the well-being and success of our students. I will work tirelessly to create an environment where every student can thrive academically and feel safe.

With me on the board, you can trust that our schools will have a compassionate and experienced advocate dedicated to making Lake Tahoe Unified the best it can be. Vote for Bob Anderson and let's build a brighter future for our children together.

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA
DISTRITO ESCOLAR UNIFICADO DE LAKE TAHOE, FIDEICOMISARIO ÁREA 3
MIEMBRO DE LA JUNTA DIRECTIVA**

BOB ANDERSON

Ocupación: Maestro de Escuela Jubilado

Educación y Cualificaciones: Hola, me llamo Bob Anderson. Como residente de mucho tiempo de South Lake Tahoe y maestro de escuela jubilado en el Distrito Escolar Unificado de Lake Tahoe, comprendo los desafíos y las oportunidades que tienen nuestras escuelas. Mi compromiso es restablecer la confianza en nuestro distrito al priorizar la transparencia y la participación de la comunidad. Me enfocaré en mejorar los logros y garantizar la seguridad de los estudiantes.

Creo que la base de un distrito escolar sólido está en abordar las necesidades individuales de cada escuela, apoyar a nuestros dedicados empleados, y lo más importante, priorizar el bienestar y el éxito de nuestros estudiantes. Trabajaré incansablemente para crear un ambiente en el que todos los estudiantes puedan progresar en lo académico y sentirse seguros.

Conmigo en la junta, puede confiar en que nuestras escuelas tendrán un defensor compasivo, experimentado y dedicado a hacer del Unificado de Lake Tahoe lo mejor que puede ser. Vote por Bob Anderson y construyamos juntos un futuro más brillante para nuestros hijos.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
BUCKEYE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMEBER**

JENNIFER EULER

Occupation: Attorney, California Department of Justice

Education and Qualifications: I am Jennifer Euler and I'm running for Buckeye Union School Board. As a parent of a 1st grader at Silva Valley Elementary, I'm invested in the long-term success of the students, the teachers, and all who support them. As a prosecuting attorney, I've seen firsthand the impact of decisions made by school boards on the lives of our children. I understand the importance of providing our students with a safe and equitable learning environment free of bias and hidden agendas, where students have the opportunity to learn, grow, and achieve.

With the world changing quickly around them, we have a responsibility to our children to support and prepare them to be successful adults, while dealing with the complexities of our time. I've experienced the difficulties imposed by outside pressure on our pre-teen and teenage daughters and have helped them navigate these situations using conflict solving skills and common sense; the same skills I utilize while leading a division of 350 multidisciplinary staff.

I want the school district to be responsive to the values, beliefs and priorities of our community. I will fight to maintain parental rights, transparency, fiscal responsibility, and the high standards set by the Buckeye Union School District.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
BUCKEYE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMEBER**

THOMAS FOX

Occupation: Retired Business Manager

Education and Qualifications: My name is Tom Fox, and I am running for Trustee on the Buckeye Union School Board. As Blackstone HOA vice president and leader of the successful Stop Amazon effort; I am a neighbor you know who is deeply invested in our community.

My background is business administration, not education. Frankly, Buckeye needs a business-minded leader, not another educator. There are many good educators and administrators at Buckeye but not one with 30 years of experience at a large organization as a strategic planner, manager, and policy advisor. This is the expertise Buckeye needs to address current challenges.

Buckeye has declining student enrollment and increasing absenteeism due to bullying, sexting and increasing political, cultural and social pressures. These problems must be addressed to improve the health of the district and to maintain educational excellence.

Buckeye has several charter schools and I am a strong advocate for school choice. You should be the one to select the best educational options for your children, not the state. I support parental rights in education. We must create a protective and nurturing environment so students can focus on growth and learning.

If elected, I will represent your interests and put our children first.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
BUCKEYE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMEBER**

MELISSA KEYZER

AGE: 47

Occupation: Buckeye Foundation Director

Education and Qualifications: Each of our Buckeye District schools is an award-winning example of what public education strives to be. From the time my oldest son began kindergarten in 2014, I've devoted my energy to helping make our schools even better. I've been a "full-time volunteer," working closely with the Buckeye School District both inside and outside the classrooms. In 2018, I was recruited to lead the Buckeye Education Foundation, the nonprofit that supports all Buckeye District schools by supplying grants to the District, schools, and teachers, and hosting district-wide events. I've thus made it a priority to keep current with all Buckeye District issues, regularly attending board meetings and meeting with District administrators and staff.

Buckeye has benefitted from decades of strong governance, demonstrated by consistently high state-wide performance ratings and achievement awards. I'm grateful that my own children continue to benefit from Buckeye's forward-looking planning and careful stewardship of our tax dollars. After 10 years of active involvement in Buckeye's operation, I feel uniquely prepared to step into the role of board member. I would be honored to carry on the Buckeye tradition of excellence in our community, to keep our children thriving, and to help ensure the brightest possible future for every Buckeye Union School District student.

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
BUCKEYE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMEBER**

RYAN W MEIER

Occupation: Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: My name is Ryan Meier, and I am running for Trustee on the Buckeye Union School Board. As a long-time resident and a father of six, with one still currently enrolled in the district, I am deeply invested in our community's educational success.

With over 30 years of experience as a business owner, I bring a wealth of knowledge in leadership, strategic planning, and financial management. These skills are crucial for addressing the challenges our schools face and for making informed decisions that benefit our students, teachers, and families.

I am a strong advocate for school choice, believing that parents should have the ability to select the best educational path for their children. I also firmly support parental rights in education, ensuring that parents are active participants in the decision-making process. Additionally, I am committed to fostering a safe and nurturing environment where every student can thrive academically and personally.

If elected, I will work diligently to represent your interests, focusing on policies that enhance educational quality and uphold our district's values. I am dedicated to building a brighter future for our children and our community through transparent, effective governance and by championing the needs of our students and families.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
BUCKEYE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMEBER**

KIRK SEAL

Occupation: Incumbent

Education and Qualifications: I am passionate about our community and dedicated to ensuring that every child receives a high-quality education. With 16 years of experience and as a candidate for reelection to the school board, my focus will be on fostering a supportive and inclusive learning environment for all students. I believe that by prioritizing innovative teaching methods, enhancing extracurricular programs, and ensuring equitable access to resources, we can help each student reach their full potential.

During my tenure, I have worked collaboratively with parents, teachers, and administrators to address the unique needs of our district. Transparency, accountability, and open communication have been the cornerstones of my approach. I have advocated for policies that promote student well-being, mental health support, and safe school environments. Our high-quality schools have been recognized with numerous State and National awards, a testament to our collective efforts.

Together, we can continue building a stronger educational system that prepares our children for the future. Your support is crucial in this mission, and I look forward to serving our community with continued dedication and integrity.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
BUCKEYE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMEBER**

JOELLENE J VAKULICH

AGE: 34

Occupation: Small Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: My name is Joellene J. Vakulich, born and raised here in EDC. I am asking for your vote to be elected to serve on the BUSD.

As a small business owner and mother, I'm passionate about our children's futures, not just my children, but our community as a whole. We are the voice for our children.

For years, and currently, active member in serving organizations and non-profits for our community; such as Search and Rescue and Catalyst Community. This has made an impact on me and inspired me to continue to help others.

My passion is to help and make a difference, especially for our children. With your vote, I will help the connection between families and schools become stronger and more communicative.

We need to support the principles, educators, and families. Bring back a focus on teaching core education.

As a local, attended public schools through all my years, and experienced hard things in childhood; school personnel lifted me up, in which I loved school, I want that for others.

While continuing to serve my community in many ways, I believe that serving is the next step forward to making a difference in the community I love and value.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
GOLD OAK UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMEBER**

ADAM HARSTON

AGE: 38

Occupation: CPA

Education and Qualifications: First and foremost, I am a husband and father of four. I am also a CPA and currently work as a Controller with a local manufacturer. With three children currently in the Gold Oak school district, I am highly invested in their wellbeing, safety and education as they attend. I teach my kids to be kind, considerate and to thirst after and pursue knowledge. If I become a school board member, my goals would be simple, protect our children's education and protect the rights and opinions of parents in that education. I do not believe our children should be exposed to adult and graphic content, especially at such young ages. I am concerned with the loss of moral values in our school system across California and I want to help protect our community and kids. Let us not allow our school system be distracted or changed by unwholesome political trends and opinions. We are responsible for the education of our children, so please get involved with me and help keep our district a place where we want our children to attend, learn and grow.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
GOLD OAK UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMEBER**

ANGELICA KIMBROUGH

Occupation: Parent/Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: As a parent of a current student of GOUSD, a local small business owner, and a former student of Gold Oak Union School District, I am passionate about education and families. There is no greater responsibility than to educate our children. I value the caring teachers who positively impacted my life during my K-8 education at both Gold Oak and Pleasant Valley. I pledge to collaborate with teachers, families, and administrators to strengthen our children's math and reading performance.

Prior to placing my children in public school, I taught and coordinated private education courses for three years. As a small business owner, I know the hard work that goes into planning, budgeting, and coordinating projects. As a parent, I understand the challenges our students face, and the work involved in educating them.

I am running for school board because I believe in a solid education for all students, a safe learning environment, and the need for parents to have a voice in their children's education. I promise to be a nonpartisan voice for our community and consider each issue on its merit. I commit to honesty, transparency, and making decisions that provide a supportive environment for students, parents, and teachers.

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATA PARA
MIEMBRO DE LA JUNTA DIRECTIVA DEL
DISTRITO ESCOLAR UNIÓN DE GOLD OAK**

ANGELICA KIMBROUGH

Ocupación: Madre/Propietaria de Negocio

Formación Académica y Cualificaciones: Como madre de un estudiante actual del GOUSD, propietaria de una pequeña empresa local y exalumna del Distrito Escolar Unión de Gold Oak, me apasionan la educación y las familias. No hay mayor responsabilidad que educar a nuestros niños. Valoro a los maestros solidarios que influyeron positivamente en mi vida durante mi educación K-8 tanto en Gold Oak como en Pleasant Valley. Me comprometo a colaborar con maestros, familias, y administrativos para fortalecer el desempeño de nuestros niños en matemáticas y lectura.

Antes de colocar a mis hijos en la escuela pública, impartí y coordiné cursos de educación privada durante tres años. Como propietaria de una pequeña empresa, sé del arduo trabajo que requiere planificar, presupuestar, y coordinar proyectos. Como madre, entiendo los desafíos que enfrentan nuestros estudiantes, y el trabajo que involucra educarlos.

Me estoy postulando para la junta escolar porque creo en una educación sólida para todos los estudiantes, un entorno de aprendizaje seguro, y la necesidad de que los padres tengan voz en la educación de sus hijos. Prometo ser una voz no partidista para nuestra comunidad y considerar cada asunto según su mérito. Me comprometo con la honestidad, la transparencia, y una toma de decisiones que proporcionen un entorno de apoyo para estudiantes, padres, y maestros.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
GOLD OAK UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMEBER**

AARON LOCKHART

Occupation: Financial Advisor

Education and Qualifications: As a father of three girls in GOUSD, I am concerned about our rapidly declining enrollment and high teacher turnover. Unfortunately, district leadership has repeatedly failed to collaborate with parents to address these existential threats at our two tiny schools. Our students, families and community deserve more, and that's why I'm running for school board.

Regardless of political affiliation, we can agree our schools lack the necessary funding to provide the full range of opportunities and enrichment our students need and deserve. GOUSD will continue losing students until this problem's solved, and I'm the right person for that job.

As a financial advisor, I'm held to the highest ethical standards, which I will bring to the board. I've helped hundreds of families/businesses define financial goals and incorporate strategies to achieve them. As a Board Member, I'll utilize that same process to address the most pressing issues facing our schools through close collaboration with all stakeholders, including parents.

Gold Oak Union teachers are supporting me because I've worked tirelessly as a volunteer to help improve conditions in GOUSD and advocate for the best educational outcomes possible. Please join us in our efforts by voting for Aaron Lockhart for Board Trustee.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
GOLD OAK UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMEBER**

CHRIS VINTON

Occupation: Technical Project Manager

Education and Qualifications: Gold Oak families deserve engaged, ethical, and transparent leadership for our students. My wife and I established our roots here for our daughter; every decision I make has her in mind. I'm a patriotic Navy Veteran who worked for Top Gun in Fallon, Nevada and hold degrees in Electrical Engineering. My wife is a teacher in Camino. We have an amazing community, talented teachers, and students with potential only limited by their imagination. As a board member, I will focus on promoting safe, healthy, and equitable schools. I hope to increase parent engagement through direct outreach and ensure fiscal accountability to make Gold Oak an ideal district for both teachers and families. I trust parents to decide what is appropriate for their children to read. As an engineer, I understand the importance early exposure to science has in opening doors for careers students may never consider otherwise. I hope to encourage a new generation of students to pursue careers in STEM. Gold Oak teachers are supporting me because they share my values and commitment to addressing our district's challenges. I would be honored if you joined this effort by voting Chris Vinton for Gold Oak Union School Board Trustee.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
GOLD TRAIL UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMEBER**

LARRY THORNHILL

AGE: 76

Occupation: General Building Contractor/Educator/Grandfather

Education and Qualifications: My name is Larry Thornhill. I am asking for your vote for Trustee on the Gold Trail Union School Board.

I am a General Building Contractor not a politician. I have lived in Placerville since 2001 where my children were educated. I feel compelled to help build-up our Community with parental and teacher teamwork..

Gold Trail is a good District affected by learning loss due to COVID. I believe together we can turn this around, I have 50 years experience in making "common sense" decisions that have let to positive "excellent" outcomes.

Does my five decades of fiscal experience in the Construction Industry carry any weight in the field of Education? Does the fact that I have successfully dealt with multitudes of different personalities and issues make me qualified to serve on our School Board? I believe it does!

I have ALWAYS been a "server". That conviction holds true for my love and concern for our parents, teachers and children. I've made myself available whether teaching apprentices to hone their skills or teaching classes on "Becoming Better Citizens". I was always there! I ask for your vote to build excellence, competence and accountability_into our children's hearts and minds!

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
PIONEER UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER**

JONATHAN RUSSELL

Occupation: Incumbent/healthcare executive

Education and Qualifications: I have had the privilege of serving on the Pioneer School Board for the last 6 years. Helping support and reinforce the values that our community holds dear. I was born and raised in Somerset. My mother was a teacher at Pioneer school in the 1970's and my father a school bus driver. Later in life I became a Registered nurse and completed a Master's Degree in business with an emphasis in education. I currently work as an executive at the local hospital, where I have been for the last 17 years. My time as a student at Pioneer helped me be successful and I am grateful that I can use my skills and give back to the same community that supported me as a young person. My motivation to continue to serve is to support the families in our community, lead with integrity, and encourage the teaching staff to create a high-quality academic institution that will open doors of opportunity for the next generation.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
PIONEER UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER**

APRIL STEWART

Occupation: CFO-Businesswoman-Realtor

Education and Qualifications: As I took my Oath of Office today, my heart was focused on Pioneer USD families and our local community. Pioneer Parents Rights are hit by another attack with AB1955.

My top priority is "Parental Rights," per the 14th Amendment.

AB1955 Allows NO parent notification or opt out, and is considered discrimination to tell Parents of their child's identity in class. Students 12+ may consent without parents to mental and medical services.

Politicians claim these laws save children from suicide, child abuse and from parents that are assumed to misunderstand them.

AB665 states all students 12 and older may consent to mental and health services and may move to a residential shelter without Parental knowledge or consent.

I do NOT support laws against minor children and families.

I support Parental Rights! STOP government control of children!

Let Children Be Children Again!

VOTE FOR APRIL STEWART <http://www.April4PUSD.com>

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Parent, Grandparent, Realtor, Businesswoman, CFO

Contact me with your ideas, questions and comments. How can I help you?

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
RESCUE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER**

KITTY CZARNECKI

AGE: 65

Occupation: Educator/Speech Therapist

Education and Qualifications: I am a passionate advocate for public education, especially special education. With my experience as a substitute teacher, specialist working with autistic children, and a speech and language therapist in El Dorado County, I've seen firsthand how funding can impact a school site, our classrooms, and, ultimately, the students. The pandemic has hit our children the hardest, and we need strong leaders to support the teachers and staff who work tirelessly to provide opportunities for learning. As a retiree, I have the time and energy to be an informed and effective board member. If chosen, I will prioritize ensuring students receive a quality education in a safe environment and advocate for a culture of excellence. I will support the mission statement of the Rescue Union School District to provide every student with a "challenging, comprehensive, and quality education in a safe environment in which all individuals are respected, valued, connected, and supported." If you vote for me, I promise to represent the interests of the students, teachers, and parents and advocate for the Rescue Union School District's values, beliefs, and priorities.

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
RESCUE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER**

MICHAEL FLAHERTY

AGE: 52

Occupation: Appointed Incumbent / Parent / Small Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: I was appointed in 2022 and am seeking re-election as a Governing Board Member to continue our award-winning district's tradition and track record of excellence.

My promise is to serve you with a focus on providing a safe learning environment and ensuring that our district is teaching with progress, creativity and innovation. As your current Board Member and a parent of three daughters (two current RUSD students and a third at Oak Ridge HS), I am deeply invested in our community's success.

Our Board and I remain dedicated to building on recent accomplishments: new technology-based safety measures; district-wide solar project to achieve \$15M in utility savings; recent regional, state and national recognition.

As a community member for 10+ years, a small business owner for 15+ years, a member of the EDH Chamber of Commerce since 2017, former President of Lakeview Elementary Site Council, and youth sports coach, I will continue to add value to our students and the district. Our Flaherty IMPACT Foundation is supporting at-risk students within the RUSD community and local high school seniors seeking need-based and academic scholarships.

Together, we can further the achievements of our district and ensure a bright future for all our students.

I respectfully ask for your vote.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
RESCUE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER**

MICHAEL R GORDON

Occupation: Teacher, Parent, Incumbent

Education and Qualifications: I am running for reelection as a RUSD Trustee to continue bringing the balance of an educator's experience and a parent's perspective when making educational decisions in our district.

My 25 years as a public educator and experience as the RUSD Board President provide me with the right knowledge to serve as an effective, well-informed school board member.

Our district must strive to stay ahead of the educational standard. Every student deserves equal focus -- their educational experience should receive the highest level of investment from our district. I believe that teachers need the resources and training to strengthen instructional practices and advance our schools.

When elected four years ago, we were in the midst of the pandemic. I strongly supported safely transitioning to in person learning. As Board President, I've overseen creating a responsible district budget, implementing better school safety measures, and ensuring a positive workplace for school employees.

As a member of this community for over a decade and proud parent of two current students and one graduate of El Dorado County schools, I have the passion and dedication to make the best decisions for our kids and community.

I humbly ask for your vote.

Thank you,
Michael Gordon

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CITY OF PLACERVILLE
COUNCIL MEMBER**

RYAN CARTER

AGE: 47

Occupation: Peace Officer

Education and Qualifications: I am a father of six and a grandfather of two, four generations of my family live in city limits. My passion for Placerville runs deep. I am an El Dorado High School graduate and a 22 year veteran state Peace Officer. I believe that all governments are instituted to protect the people, not make their lives as difficult and expensive as possible.

As your City Councilman, I will fight to reduce spending, maintain our quality of life, and keep the cost of living in our beautiful city as low as possible. I understand that every dollar the city spends comes from its citizens. I believe that debt is a generational hardship for our citizens, I will work to ensure that the city does not burden us with additional debt.

As a business owner, I know how difficult it is to stay afloat in this difficult business climate. I will work to reduce the overbearing burden placed on our business community.

As a member of the Placerville Planning Commission, I have worked to protect our historic districts. I believe that with thoughtful and principled leadership we can remember our history and embrace our future.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CITY OF PLACERVILLE
COUNCIL MEMBER**

JACKIE NEAU

AGE: 52

Occupation: City Councilmember

Education and Qualifications: The City of Placerville has been my home for 25 years. It has been my privilege to serve as Placerville's mayor this past year. I currently serve on the boards of the El Dorado Transportation Commission, El Dorado Transit Authority, and am a liaison to the Placerville Firesafe Council.

I have a long history of volunteering for our community, including 10 years on the city recreation and parks commission, El Dorado Trail events and clean ups, National Night Out, Rise and Shine, and Christmas Trees on Highway 50, to name a few.

Before being on council, I campaigned for Measures H & L, which brings in 3-4 million dollars every year to fix sewer pipes, water pipes, and streets. Infrastructure has always been a top priority for me. While on the council, I have helped bring a balanced budget every year, prioritized our infrastructure, public safety, wildfire planning and evacuation, navigating complex homeless issues, solutions for weekend traffic, and maintaining our historical assets. I would like to continue to represent my constituents and respectfully ask for your vote to address the issues facing the city.

Please feel free to contact me at 530-363-5781, jackieneau1854@gmail.com, or jackieneau.com

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA
CIUDAD DE PLACERVILLE
MIEMBRO DEL CONSEJO**

JACKIE NEAU

EDAD: 52

Ocupación: Concejala de la Ciudad

Educación y Cualificaciones: La Ciudad de Placerville ha sido mi hogar por 25 años. Ha sido para mí un privilegio servir como alcaldesa de Placerville este último año. Actualmente sirvo en las juntas de la Comisión de Transporte de El Dorado, la Autoridad de Tránsito de El Dorado y soy el enlace con el Consejo de Seguridad contra Incendios de Placerville.

Tengo una larga historia de voluntariados a favor de nuestra comunidad, incluyendo 10 años en la comisión de parques y recreación de la ciudad, eventos y limpiezas de la Pista de El Dorado, National Night Out, Rise and Shine y Árboles de Navidad en la Autopista 50, por nombrar algunos.

Antes de estar en el consejo, hice campaña a favor de las Medidas H & L, que traen 3-4 millones de dólares cada año para reparar cañerías, tuberías de agua y calles. La infraestructura siempre ha sido una prioridad principal para mí. Al estar en el consejo, he ayudado a traer un presupuesto equilibrado todos los años, he priorizado nuestra infraestructura, la seguridad pública, la planificación y la evacuación ante incendios forestales, he ayudado a atravesar complejos problemas de falta de vivienda, he traído soluciones al tráfico en fines de semana y a preservar nuestros recursos históricos. Me gustaría seguir representando a mis votantes y respetuosamente pido su voto para encarar los problemas que enfrenta la ciudad.

No duden en comunicarse conmigo al 530-363-5781, jackieneau1854@gmail.com, o jackieneau.com

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CITY OF PLACERVILLE
COUNCIL MEMBER**

MICHAEL NASH SARAGOSA

AGE: 48

Occupation: City Councilmember/Businessowner

Education and Qualifications: It is my honor to represent the residents of Placerville on the City Council. As a 20-year resident, I began serving the city as a member of Placerville's Planning Commission and Historical Advisory Committee, before serving as Mayor in 2020 & 2023.

I am proud of the work the city has accomplished. Budgets are balanced, retirement debt lowered, major street and pipe repairs were completed, and road improvements to Placerville Drive and Broadway are ongoing.

However, there is more work to do. The homeless camp on Upper Broadway was removed, but we need all illegal camps shut down. I support the ongoing efforts to mitigate wildfire risk, repair streets, park & trail improvements, and ensure old City Hall is preserved for future generations. With limited resources, sometimes hard choices are unavoidable. Placerville needs experienced leadership to ensure the most critical projects are prioritized, not what grabs a headline for a day.

Working together, we can accomplish great things for Placerville.

You can read more about my campaign at SaragosaForCityCouncil.com. My email is mnsaragosa@gmail.com or my phone number is 5302953678.

I respectfully ask for your vote and support. Thank you!

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA
CIUDAD DE PLACERVILLE
MIEMBRO DEL CONSEJO**

MICHAEL NASH SARAGOSA

EDAD: 48

Ocupación: Concejal de la Ciudad/Propietario de negocios

Educación y Cualificaciones: Es un honor para mí representar a los residentes de Placerville en el Consejo de la Ciudad. Como residente desde hace 20 años, comencé a servir a la ciudad como miembro de la Comisión de Planificación de Placerville y del Comité Histórico Asesor, antes de servir como Alcalde en 2020 y 2023.

Estoy orgulloso del trabajo que ha logrado esta ciudad. Los presupuestos están equilibrados, la deuda de jubilación disminuyó, se completaron las reparaciones de tuberías y calles principales y las mejoras de vialidades a Placerville Drive y Broadway están en marcha.

Sin embargo, hay más trabajo por hacer. Se retiró el campamento de personas sin hogar en Upper Broadway, pero necesitamos que se eliminen todos los campamentos ilegales. Apoyo los esfuerzos constantes para mitigar el riesgo de incendios forestales, reparar calles, mejoras a parques y pistas, y asegurar que se preserve el antiguo Ayuntamiento para las generaciones futuras. Con recursos limitados, a veces es inevitable tomar decisiones difíciles. Placerville necesita un liderazgo experimentado para garantizar que los proyectos más cruciales tengan prioridad, no lo que consiga aparecer en los titulares por un día.

Si trabajamos juntos, podemos lograr grandes cosas por Placerville.

Puede leer más sobre mi campaña en SaragosaForCityCouncil.com. Mi correo electrónico es mnsaragosa@gmail.com o mi número de teléfono es 5302953678.

Respetuosamente le pido su voto y su apoyo. ¡Gracias!

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CITY OF SOUTH LAKE TAHOE
COUNCIL MEMBER**

HEATHER CADE-BAUER

AGE: 45

Occupation: Procurement Contract Coordinator

Education and Qualifications: My name is Heather Cade-Bauer, and I am proud to announce my candidacy for the South Lake Tahoe City Council. Born and raised in Central California, I moved to South Lake Tahoe in 2000 with my then-boyfriend, Nick. In 2001, Nick and I made SLT our permanent home and started our family. Over the years, I have worked in various industries, including skiing, restaurants, and property management, while cleaning houses to support our growing family. In 2012, I earned my AA at LTCC, where I worked in several departments before securing a permanent position in Purchasing.

As a dedicated employee, I became involved in the CEU, serving as VP and President while advocating for classified employee rights. Last summer, I transitioned to FoundationCCC, where I help create systemwide contracts for all California Community Colleges as Procurement Contract Coordinator.

My motivation for running is simple: I want to be a voice for the people of South Lake Tahoe. Nick and I have four children who attend local schools, and I have served on various boards, including Sierra House PTA and TPNS. I am committed to working tirelessly to make South Lake Tahoe a thriving, vibrant community for all.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CITY OF SOUTH LAKE TAHOE
COUNCIL MEMBER**

MARJORIE GREEN

Occupation: Project Manager

Education and Qualifications: Tahoe is more than a place; it's a way of life. While blessed with natural beauty and strong community spirit, there's always room for growth. As a city council member, I pledge to focus on infrastructure improvement, collaborative affordability solutions, and balanced decision-making.

With a degree in Business Administration, a minor in Economics, and experience in real estate, I bring a well-rounded perspective to city planning and development. My professional background in stakeholder management and resource allocation uniquely positions me to serve our city. I offer a moderate voice, genuine compassion, and practical solutions to enhance our quality of life.

My journey with Tahoe began as a visitor, creating cherished memories on its slopes long before I was fortunate enough to call it home. If elected, I'm committed to striking a balance between preserving Tahoe's charm for long-time residents and sharing its wonders with newcomers and visitors. Together, we can ensure Tahoe remains a thriving community and a responsible steward of its natural gifts.

Visit www.m4tahoe.com to learn more!

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CITY OF SOUTH LAKE TAHOE
COUNCIL MEMBER**

DAVID JINKENS

Occupation: Retired City Manager

Education and Qualifications: I want to make a positive difference for our residents, workers, and business community.

With over 35 years of city executive experience, I am uniquely positioned to support sound city policies. I strongly support public safety, protecting our environment, and ensuring that California and Federal lands within and adjacent to the City limits are made fire safe. I oppose all new tax proposals. My promise is to prioritize road repair and maintenance in every city budget. Let us set priorities and live within our means.

I support existing working locals and seniors in need of affordable housing. I will listen and be responsive to our City's multicultural community. We need to unite and find common ground to address important issues we face.

I will put to good use my Master of Public Administration from UCLA. I am proficient in Spanish. I look forward to working with all our residents and business community. I have no conflicts of interest that will cloud my decision making.

We must make our city and residents economically successful through business retention, expansion, and new business development. Together, we can build a better future for our city.

I respectfully ask for your vote. jinkensforslt@gmail.com/www.jinkensforslt.com

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA
LA CIUDAD DE SOUTH LAKE TAHOE
CONCEJAL**

DAVID JINKENS

Ocupación: Gestor de la Ciudad Jubilado

Educación y Cualificaciones: Quiero hacer una diferencia positiva para nuestros residentes, trabajadores, y comunidad empresarial.

Con más de 35 años de experiencia como ejecutivo de la ciudad, estoy incomparablemente capacitado para apoyar políticas razonables para la ciudad. Apoyo fuertemente la seguridad pública, proteger nuestro entorno, y asegurar que California y las tierras Federales dentro y adyacente a los límites de la Ciudad sean seguras contra incendios. Me opongo a todas las nuevas propuestas de impuestos. Mi promesa es priorizar la reparación y el mantenimiento de los caminos en los presupuestos de cada ciudad. Vamos a establecernos prioridades y vivir conforme a nuestros medios.

Apoyo a los locales y adultos mayores trabajadores existentes que necesitan una vivienda asequible. Escucharé y daré respuesta a la comunidad multicultural de nuestra Ciudad. Debemos unirnos y encontrar un punto en común para atender problemas importantes que enfrentamos.

Haré un buen uso de mi Maestría en Administración Pública de UCLA. Soy competente en Español. Espero trabajar con todos nuestros residentes y comunidad empresarial. No tengo conflictos de intereses que nublarán mi toma de decisiones.

Debemos hacer que nuestra ciudad y residentes tengan éxito económico a través de la retención de empresas, la expansión, y nuevo desarrollo empresarial. Juntos, podemos construir un mejor futuro para nuestra ciudad.

Le pido respetuosamente su voto. jinkensforslt@gmail.com/www.jinkensforslt.com

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CITY OF SOUTH LAKE TAHOE
COUNCIL MEMBER**

CAITLIN MCMAHON

Occupation: Alpine Ski instructor/SOS Outreach volunteer mentor

Education and Qualifications: My name is Caitlin McMahon, I am 39 years old and an eight year resident of the City of South Lake Tahoe. I would like to represent this community as your new council member. Throughout my career I have been employed in state, local, and small businesses. My years in Tahoe have been in service to the local families as a ski instructor and volunteer mentor. I've attended classes at the local college, participated in beach clean ups, and built longlasting relationships within the community. I am trained in natural areas management, wilderness first aid, curriculum development, wildland fire management, and leadership. My goal is to provide a voice for working class citizens of South Lake Tahoe and build a cooperative and respectful relationship with homeowners and business owners. I support funding for roads and community parks. The working class people of our city deserve livable wages, affordable housing, and help negotiating fair deal sales for homes within city limits.

Employers: TRCD, SOS Outreach, Vail Resorts, Sierra at Tahoe, Illinois Department of Natural Resources, State of Illinois, AfterSchoolMatters, Chicago Park District, Chicago Public Library, Garfield Park Conservatory Alliance, Friends of the Parks, Another Planet Entertainment, Hedgerow Farms, Teton Science School

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CITY OF SOUTH LAKE TAHOE
COUNCIL MEMBER**

KEITH ROBERTS

Occupation:

Education and Qualifications: I am a previous South Lake Tahoe Planning Commissioner; currently I am on the Police Advisory Commission; The Building Board OF Appeals, El Dorado County Commission of Aging, Lake Tahoe Community College Culinary Advisory Committee and a American Culinary Federation Certified Executive Chef.

More than 40 years as an executive chef in 4 star properties and including owner of 2 award winning restaurants on two US coasts; I bring to our City Council the ability and experience at creating and managing a superior product; managing varied financial goals and commitments; maintaining positive work environments that cater to the needs of ALL employees both in large corporate environments and down to family run businesses.

This diverse background of management coupled with my current COO position of several boutique restaurants allows me to work closely with our younger citizens and their challenges plus know the needs of our business community. The entrepreneurial spirit looks at results that work for everyone.

My first years in South Lake as an hourly employee made me aware of the challenges of the Labor Force and to grow strong, we need a strong happy Work Force. From my years as a business owner, I know South Lake Tahoe must support our business owners so we can continue to grow.

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA
LA CIUDAD DE SOUTH LAKE TAHOE, CONCEJAL**

KEITH ROBERTS

Ocupación:

Educación y Cualificaciones: Fui anteriormente Comisionado de Planeación de South Lake Tahoe; actualmente estoy en la Comisión Asesora de la Policía; La Junta de Apelaciones de Construcción, la Comisión sobre el Envejecimiento del Condado El Dorado, el Comité de Asesoramiento Culinario del Colegio Comunitario de Lake Tahoe y un Chef Ejecutivo Certificado de la American Culinary Federation.

Más de 40 años como chef ejecutivo en propiedades de 4 estrellas, lo cual incluye ser propietario de 2 restaurantes galardonados en dos costas de EE. UU.; apporto a nuestro Concejo de la Ciudad la capacidad y la experiencia de crear y gestionar un producto superior; gestionar diversas metas y compromisos financieros; mantener entornos positivos de trabajo que satisfagan las necesidades de TODOS los empleados, tanto en grandes entornos corporativos como en empresas familiares.

Este diverso panorama de gestión junto con mi posición actual como COO de varios restaurantes boutique me permite trabajar de cerca con nuestros ciudadanos jóvenes y sus desafíos además de conocer las necesidades de nuestra comunidad empresarial. El espíritu emprendedor busca resultados que funcionen para todos.

Mis primeros años en South Lake como empleado por horas me hicieron consciente de los desafíos de la fuerza laboral y para crecer fuerte, necesitamos una fuerza laboral firme y feliz. Desde mis años como propietario de un negocio, sé que South Lake Tahoe debe apoyar a nuestros dueños de negocios para que podamos seguir desarrollándonos.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CITY OF SOUTH LAKE TAHOE
COUNCIL MEMBER**

NICK SPEAL

Occupation: Affordable Housing Advocate

Education and Qualifications: Now is the time for a new generation of leadership for a vibrant and sustainable South Lake Tahoe.

We must secure funding to fix the roads with NO TAXES ON LOCAL RESIDENTS. We must protect and build local housing so the next generation of the workforce can afford to build their lives here. While on the Planning Commission, I worked to cut red tape to incentivize building modest local housing instead of more vacant second homes and luxury condos.

In the fight against climate change, I have been a leader on sustainable transportation as president of the Lake Tahoe Bicycle Coalition and the Governor's appointed board member on the Tahoe Transportation District. By prioritizing reliable transit, bike paths, and accessible sidewalks, Tahoe can be a sustainable destination free from traffic and pollution.

As a volunteer mentor with SOS Outreach, I coach local youth on the courage and integrity needed to face difficult challenges. South Lake Tahoe faces challenges of crumbling infrastructure and rising costs, which we can work together to overcome.

A vibrant community needs affordable housing, smooth roads, and functioning transit. Vote Nick Speal for South Lake Tahoe.

NickForSLT.com

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA
LA CIUDAD DE SOUTH LAKE TAHOE
CONCEJAL**

NICK SPEAL

Ocupación: Defensor de la Vivienda Asequible

Educación y Calificaciones: Es tiempo de una nueva generación de liderazgo para una South Lake Tahoe vibrante y sostenible.

Debemos asegurar financiamiento para arreglar las carreteras sin COBRAR IMPUESTOS A RESIDENTES LOCALES. Debemos proteger y construir vivienda local para que la siguiente generación de la fuerza laboral pueda costear construir sus vidas aquí. Cuando estuve en la Comisión de Planeación, trabajé en reducir la burocracia para incentivar la construcción de vivienda modesta local en lugar de más casas adicionales vacías y condominios de lujo.

En la lucha contra el cambio climático, he sido líder en transporte sustentable como presidente de la Coalición Lake Tahoe Bicycle y miembro de la junta del Distrito de transporte de Tahoe designado por el gobernador. Al priorizar tránsito confiable, ciclovías y aceras accesibles, Tahoe puede ser un destino sostenible libre de maravilloso y contaminación.

Como mentor voluntario en SOS Outreach, instruyo a jóvenes locales en el coraje e integridad necesarios para enfrentar retos difíciles. South Lake Tahoe enfrenta desafíos de infraestructura derruida y costos al alza, algo que podemos superar trabajando juntos.

Una comunidad vibrante necesita viviendas asequibles, caminos en buen estado y un transporte público funcional. Vote Nick Speal por South Lake Tahoe.

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CITY OF SOUTH LAKE TAHOE
COUNCIL MEMBER**

AIMI XISTRA

Occupation: Nonprofit Director of Development

Education and Qualifications: An advocate for sustainable growth and community support in the City of South Lake Tahoe. I envision a community that respects our environment and focuses on community services, development, and transportation. Our city has accomplished great things since I moved here in 1997, for example expanding our tourism efforts responsibly, but we can do better for our local interests. Being a voice for our local community, businesses, workforce, and youth is one of my many areas of focus. I'm proud of the work the current City Council has accomplished with the development of our city's Strategic Plan and I look forward to adding my insight. This is an exciting time for our small city, as we continue to work on more accessibility and building a new Recreation Center, which will provide a beautiful space for our residents and visitors. I have experience with community relations, work well in team environments and am open minded to other people's opinions and ideas. Managing fiscal budgets is one of my areas of expertise, and my attention to allocating funds where they are most needed will support our city's future. I am currently appointed to six community groups including the ACT Committee, Bijou Park CAG and Tahoe Chamber.

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA
LA CIUDAD DE SOUTH LAKE TAHOE
MIEMBRO DEL CONSEJO**

AIMI XISTRA

Occupación: Directora de Desarrollo sin Fines de Lucro

Educación y Calificaciones: Defensora del crecimiento sostenible y el apoyo comunitario en la Ciudad de South Lake Tahoe. Imagino una comunidad que respeta nuestro medio ambiente y se enfoca en servicios comunitarios, desarrollo y transporte. Nuestra ciudad ha logrado cosas maravillosas desde que me mudé aquí en 1997, por ejemplo en ampliar nuestros esfuerzos turísticos de forma responsable, pero podemos hacer más por nuestros intereses locales. Una de mis múltiples áreas de atención es ser una voz para nuestra comunidad, negocios, trabajadores y jóvenes locales. Estoy orgullosa del trabajo que el actual Consejo de la Ciudad ha realizado con el desarrollo del Plan Estratégico de nuestra ciudad y ansío aportar mi perspectiva. Esta es una oportunidad emocionante para nuestra pequeña ciudad, ya que seguimos trabajando en mayor accesibilidad y construimos un nuevo Centro Recreativo, que brindará un hermoso espacio para nuestros residentes y visitantes. Tengo experiencia en relaciones comunitarias, trabajo bien en equipo y tengo la mente abierta para las opiniones e ideas de otras personas. Una de mis áreas de experiencia es el manejo de presupuestos fiscales, y mi atención a destinar fondos donde más se necesitan será de ayuda para el futuro de nuestra ciudad. Hoy en día pertenezco a seis grupos comunitarios incluyendo el Comité ACT, Bijou Park CAG y la Cámara de Tahoe.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CAMERON PARK COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
DIRECTOR**

SID BAZETT

Occupation: Incumbent

Education and Qualifications: I have served as Cameron Park CSD Director since 2020. I have been a resident for 25 years and am a member of Rotary, Elks, Fire Safe Council, Foothills Methodist Church, and Senior Nutrition Program.

Statement of Positions:

Fire Insurance: I will work diligently to promote outstanding fire safety and community outreach to support affordable fire insurance for our residents.

Budget Deficit: I pledge to implement strategic fiscal management practices to address the budget deficit responsibly, prioritizing essential services while exploring innovative revenue streams.

Senior Citizens: I will enhance programs that support our senior citizens, ensuring they have access to recreational activities, meals, and social opportunities.

Recreational Programs: I will support and expand recreational programs that promote active lifestyles and community engagement, including water sports, pickleball, children's activities, and beneficial learning opportunities.

Rasmussen Pond Conservation: I will advocate for the preservation of Rasmussen Pond, a vital natural resource that enriches our community, and support making it a wildlife park.

With a background in community service and a passion for improving Cameron Park, I am committed to transparent leadership, active listening, and effective collaboration to achieve our shared vision for a vibrant and sustainable community.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CAMERON PARK COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
DIRECTOR**

LIZ GATES

Occupation: partent substitute teacher

Education and Qualifications: Hello Cameron Park residents, I am Liz Gates and am seeking a Director seat on the Cameron Park CSD Board. Grateful to have lived here since 2001 and having raised our three daughters here, I want to give back and support our special community.

My experience in successfully communicating with our neighbors and the CSD and EDC Planning to resolve an unfortunate and challenging pickleball noise dispute has both informed and inspired me to be a diplomatic voice on the Board. Through the process, I discovered my passion for analytical reasoning, researching zoning and health codes and ultimately educating both myself and others, all in pursuit of positive problem-solving.

I have and will foster a spirit of integrity, honesty and respect and seek to be a good listener and encourage community involvement. I am a fiscal conservative and will work to keep reliable fire protection and well-maintained parks and neighborhoods.

If elected, I'd like to help projects such as new pickleball courts, and ideas such as improved tennis courts, cleaner parks, farmers markets and family-friendly outdoor concerts all become a wonderful reality. I respectfully ask for your vote, thank you.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CAMERON PARK COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
DIRECTOR**

KATIE GILCHREST

Occupation: Businesswoman/Quality Assurance Manager

Education and Qualifications: As a 25-year Cameron Park resident, I am committed to community safety and the sustainability of the Cameron Park Community Services District. My focus as a director will be on responsive, transparent governance with fiscal responsibility and accountability. I aim to:

Sustain essential services long-term.

Implement and monitor measurable sustainability actions.

Foster community engagement and ensure open communication.

My community involvement includes over a decade with the SSCP Chamber of Commerce and the Folsom Lake Kiwanis Club, where I served as Ambassador, Director, Secretary and Vice President. I also serve on a Homeowners Association Board and volunteer with local nonprofits.

With 35 years of experience managing multi-million dollar budgets for Fortune 500 companies, I am highly organized and excel in leadership, teamwork, and building productive networks through effective facilitation and conflict resolution.

I believe in listening to diverse perspectives, proactive problem-solving, and collaborative decision-making. I focus on metrics and regular reviews to ensure targets are met and address any issues with corrective action plans.

I am committed to practicing good governance with honesty, integrity, dedication, and a genuine desire to make a positive impact.

I humbly ask for your support and vote, and I am excited to serve our community

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
CAMERON PARK COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
DIRECTOR**

BARBARA J ROGERS

Occupation: Fire Dept Admin. Asst.

Education and Qualifications: I am a 47-year resident of El Dorado County, with the past 31 years living in Cameron Park. I am a retired administrative assistant from the El Dorado County Fire Protection District, where I gained budget experience and an understanding of the challenges special districts are facing, especially fire districts. I have been very involved with the Cameron Park Community Services District since 2004, attending monthly board and committee meetings. The financial health of the Cameron Park Community Services District is extremely important to me. My goal is for the Board is to make sound financial decisions in how our tax dollars are spent. My main concern is our fire protection. The Cameron Park Community Services District Board recently threatened to close one of our fire stations due to poor financial decisions. This would have had an adverse effect on our fire and life safety, and possibly further increase cancellations of homeowners insurance policies. I would like to see the Board reach out to the community for feedback to determine how much we are willing to pay for fire protection while figuring out how to increase revenue to support the community center and recreation programs. I would be honored for you to vote for me on November 5, 2024.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
EL DORADO HILLS COMMUNITY SERVICE DISTRICT
DIRECTOR**

CHARLES “CHUCK” KING

AGE: 62

Occupation: Retired Law Enforcement Officer

Education and Qualifications: I am a 62-year-old resident of El Dorado Hills and retired law enforcement officer with 26 years of service. My wife Darla and I celebrated our 42nd year of marriage this year. As a father of three, grandfather of three, and a Christian, I believe hard work, Integrity, Transparency, Communication and Accountability. I enjoyed many years volunteering as a coach and board member on athletics boards and booster clubs. I am the President of the Blackstone HOA and our community association “Citizens in Support of El Dorado Hills.”

Sadly, our CSD is drowning in lawsuits and incompetence. The Grand Jury’s assessment of the CSD was devastating. Millions of our tax dollars are gone and unaccounted for. I will work hard to assure our tax assessments are audited and corrected. I will work with staff and other board members to resolve pending lawsuits outside of the courtroom and to prevent new ones. I will demand competency, transparency, and accountability from CSD staff and vendors. You deserve fair, representative taxation to help maintain our parks while developing new opportunities for our families’ future enjoyment. Please help me change the path of the CSD. Thank you in advance for your vote.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
EL DORADO HILLS COMMUNITY SERVICE DISTRICT
DIRECTOR**

NOELLE MATTOCK

AGE: 55

Occupation: Director

Education and Qualifications: Hello, my name is Noelle Mattock and I would appreciate your vote so that I can continue to be the community’s voice on the El Dorado Hills Community Services District Board of Directors.

During my tenure, I have led the charge to prevent the old golf course from being turned into a massive development. I stopped the deficit spending, balanced our budgets and cut government waste to build strong cash reserves, despite revenue declines during tough economic times. These sound fiscal practices enabled us to expand offerings, purchase over half of the old golf course, build new parks, and improve the senior center.

But my work is not done, I want to continue to fight to protect the remaining acreage of the old golf course and make sure the CSD delivers our Master Plan with fiscal discipline, accountability and transparency.

My roots run deep in El Dorado Hills, my family and I have lived here since 1970. I have a proven track record of putting the community first and I would be honored to receive your vote this November 5.

Contact me at noelle4csd@gmail.com

Education: Master’s, Public Policy and Administration; B.A., Early Childhood Education

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER/FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
DIRECTOR
FULL TERM**

ESTHER BECKMAN

AGE: 57

Occupation: Retired Public Safety

Education and Qualifications: My name is Esther Beckman, and I am a 57-year-old native of California. I am seeking to be elected to serve on the Board of Directors for the El Dorado Hills County Water District. I have 29 years of experience working as a law enforcement officer. I am a fluent Spanish speaker allowing me to communicate with a larger audience. During my law enforcement career, I felt it most rewarding when I could help community members feel safe and help them navigate through various emergencies. My experience related to the position I seek comes from my knowledge of budget management and emergency management, and I possess a bachelor's degree in criminal justice administration. After retiring I have continued to serve my new community by volunteering with American Red Cross during the pandemic and since 2021, I have been volunteering with El Dorado Hills Fire Department through their CERT Program. Through volunteering, I hope to bring viable services to my community. My objective, if elected, is to serve the community of El Dorado Hills with purpose, integrity, and dedication. I hope you will consider voting for me, so I can continue to serve the El Dorado Hills Community.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER/FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
DIRECTOR
FULL TERM**

BOBBI BENNETT

Occupation:

Education and Qualifications: As an incumbent of the El Dorado Hills Fire Department Board of Directors, I am proud to serve the Department and you. Throughout my career, my focus has always been on community service and improving the lives of those around me. I've worked for various nonprofits, and currently volunteer with several community groups. For the last 20 years, I've worked for multiple public agencies which has given me a working knowledge of public budgets and management. In addition to working with Fire personnel for 20 years, I have a family member who is a Firefighter/Paramedic. I believe this makes me uniquely qualified for this position, since I fully understand the Fire service as well as the needs of El Dorado Hills residents. My vision for the El Dorado Hills Fire Department is to ensure my neighbors are provided outstanding emergency service and community risk reduction. Through sustainable fiscal management and solid strategies, the Department will serve the community today, while securing stellar service for the future. I will be honored to continue to be your voice in this critical service to our community and would appreciate your vote!

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER/FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
DIRECTOR
FULL TERM**

MICHAEL KEVIN GOTRO

AGE 54

Occupation: Retired

Education and Qualifications: El Dorado Hills Firefighters, local 3604 endorse my candidacy. I have been in the fire service for over 30 years and recently retired as a Battalion Chief. I understand the challenges that fire department encounters and am willing to meet them head on and find solutions that are morally and fiscally responsible. I have been a resident of El Dorado Hills for over 22 years where my wife and I have raised our family and watched the community I love grow. I understand that with growth, the El Dorado Hills FD has to make important decisions to grow responsibly. I will do the right thing putting the taxpayers needs first.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER/FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
DIRECTOR
FULL TERM**

JOHN HIDAHL

Occupation: County Supervisor

Education and Qualifications: As an EDH resident for 45 years, I am committed to serving our community, and public safety has always been one of my highest priorities. My wife Eileen and I raised our five daughters in this special place, fully recognizing the importance of our first responders in keeping us safe and meeting our emergency needs. Having served 33 years as a Director on the EDH Fire Department Board, I understand how our fire department evolved from an all volunteer staff to where we are today. As growth occurred, the Fire Department was pro-active in identifying and building new Fire Stations and increasing staffing, while maintaining healthy reserves to replace worn-out equipment, fire engines and a ladder truck. The department recently constructed a long planned training facility, using primarily development fees to fund the improvements. I am proud to have been a part of all of that history. The proposed annexation of the Cameron Park Fire Department with EDH presents new opportunities, and challenges in ensuring that EDH taxpayers do not end up subsidizing the operational costs involved. Stay Informed. Vote to continue the great history of the EDH Fire Department-Vote for John Hidahl

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER/FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
DIRECTOR
UNEXPIRED SHORT TERM**

DAN DONELLI

AGE: 49

Occupation: Law Enforcement

Education and Qualifications: As a candidate trusted and supported by Local 3604 Firefighters, I am honored to present my candidacy for the El Dorado Hills Fire Department Board of Directors, bringing a robust and proven background in public service and extensive experience leading in a major law enforcement organization. With a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice Management and thousands of hours dedicated to law enforcement leadership, I have honed my skills in strategic planning, crisis management, and organizational development. These qualifications have equipped me with an understanding of the complexities involved in emergency services and the critical need for effective governance and resource management.

Locally, I have demonstrated my commitment to our community through roles as the President of two major Homeowners' Associations, where I led initiatives to enhance community safety. Additionally, my executive-level leadership in a prominent law enforcement organization and my ongoing involvement in coaching and mentoring youth sports in El Dorado Hills underscore my dedication to fostering a safe, supportive, and thriving community. I am excited for the opportunity to bring my expertise and passion for service to this position, ensuring that our fire department continues to excel in protecting and serving our community.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
EL DORADO IRRIGATION DISTRICT, DIVISION 1
DIRECTOR**

PAUL PENN

AGE: 71

Occupation: emergency, environmental, health & Safety Manager

Education and Qualifications: Attended El Dorado Irrigation District meetings for over 15 years. In the arid west, water determines everything. Since the incumbent decided not to run for reelection, I've decided to run. I am familiar with EID, its history, policies, projects, successes and less than successes.

My resume reads like someone who is meant for this position.

Former Vice President of the Donner Summit Public Utility District (sewer, water, fire, EMS) and Nevada County Planning Commissioner prior to moving to Diamond Springs in 1988. Master of Environmental Management degree with a career in emergency/environmental/health & safety management. For example, I ran the nation's largest hazardous materials emergency planning and community right-to-know program, managed environmental health and safety at Kaiser Permanente Sacramento, and ran the Emergency Management and Refinery Safety Program at CalEPA.

Current local leadership roles include Executive Board of the EDC Fire Safe Council, Vice Chair Diamond Springs FSC and previous experience on the Snowline Hospice Board (2 terms as President), founder of HAZE, the Hangtown Association of Zymurgy Enthusiasts, and coach/board member of Buddy Werner Youth Ski League.

My priorities are safe and reliable, affordable and sustainable. I ask for your vote and support.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
EL DORADO IRRIGATION DISTRICT, DIVISION 1
DIRECTOR**

NOEL RUSSELL

AGE: 52

Occupation: Retired Construction Manager

Education and Qualifications: I have lived in El Dorado County for over fifty years and recently retired from EID after 29 years of service in operations. Almost a decade of my tenure was spent as EID's Water Construction Supervisor where I provided steady leadership and shared knowledge with an excellent group of employees. I would like to take this opportunity to serve in a new role with the District I love, where I can continue to lead and be a collaborative, effective ally for our residents and farmers. This is a unique opportunity to bring my experience and knowledge of the District's operations to assist me in making educated, informed decisions while providing wisdom and guidance during challenging times. Aging infrastructure over a large service area coupled with budget constraints pose unique challenges for EID that require creative and strategic approaches to continue providing safe and reliable services to customers, while remaining financially sound. As a retiree I know the financial challenges our customers face in these difficult economic times. By bringing my public utility management background and experience to the District I hope to lead EID into a bright, more sustainable future. Please vote for Noel Russell.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
EL DORADO IRRIGATION DISTRICT, DIVISION 3
DIRECTOR**

CHARLES MANSFIELD

Occupation: Farmer, Agricultural Commissioner, Businessman

Education and Qualifications: Born in Placerville to a farming family, I attended local schools before completing my education at Cal Poly. After working in agriculture throughout the state, my wife and I returned to raise our children. I serve on the El Dorado Agricultural Commission, and as Vice President for the Board of Directors of the Placerville Fruit Growers Association and El Dorado Winegrape Growers Association. In the private sector, I have a strong business reputation and a public record of finding consensus for the support and conservation of rural lands.

My family business, Goldbud Farms manages 250 acres of crops across El Dorado. Goldbud employs over 25 residents and supplies winegrapes and fruit across the US. As a residential and agricultural rate-payer in Division 3, I know how important the reliability and affordability of water is to our lives and budgets.

If elected, I'll leverage my private and public experience to protect the rural feel and recreational assets that we all enjoy. I have the support of past, current and newly elected members of the Board of Supervisors, but I would be most honored to have your vote on November 5th so that I can continue my public service at EID.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
EL DORADO IRRIGATION DISTRICT, DIVISION 3
DIRECTOR**

BRADLEY POPEJOY

AGE: 43

Occupation: Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: As an entrepreneur, I have built a company through hard work and perseverance.

My name is Brad Popejoy, and I will be bringing this work ethic to the position if selected for the Division 3 Director for the El Dorado Irrigation Division. I was born and raised in El Dorado County and value giving my time and knowledge to help budding entrepreneurs succeed. Through these experiences, I have acquired extensive knowledge of local issues, including the challenges facing businesses and local government.

I enjoy taking an active role in assisting members of our community who have been impacted by wildfires and other natural disasters by donating my time and resources. I have also participated in setting up other services to assist those displaced by natural disasters, and my family and I enjoy feeding those in need.

As a mountain and foothill community, our water is one of our most significant assets and challenges. Our area's water impacts everyone's lives through their homes, work, recreation, safety, and water rates. I will encourage water affordability so that our whole community benefits from this valuable resource. To achieve this, I will vote against unnecessary rate increases. I ask for your vote.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SOUTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
DIRECTOR**

CHRISTOPHER CEFALU

AGE: 62

Occupation: Self Employed

Education and Qualifications: I have lived in South Lake Tahoe for 62 years. I have a degree in Managerial Economics from UC Davis. My wife is a teacher at Sierra House Elementary School and I have two grown children. One stationed in Italy with the US Army and the other lives in Boston and works for Delta Airlines. I previously served as a Director for the South Tahoe Public Utility for three terms from 2009-2022. I currently work as a project manager for a large development on the South Shore. I am experienced and know the issues that face the district.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SOUTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
DIRECTOR**

SETH DALLOB

AGE: 46

Occupation: Workforce Housing Developer

Education and Qualifications: Our community deserves a board that prioritizes infrastructure maintenance and fiscal responsibility. Unfortunately, a period of significant neglect, lead to the largest rate hike in STPUD history. This rate increase was a direct result of delayed maintenance and rising construction costs, which could have been mitigated with proactive management.

I am committed to ensuring that our utility district is run efficiently and transparently. My focus will be on preventing additional rate hikes while ensuring reliable services for all residents. By implementing strategic planning and regular maintenance, we can avoid the pitfalls of the past and build a more sustainable future for South Lake Tahoe.

In addition, I will prioritize cybersecurity to protect our community's vital resources and data. Running STPUD a little more like a business and a little less like a government agency will bring a fresh perspective to our operations.

I understand the importance of having a dependable and affordable utility service. I will ensure that our utility district operates with the highest standards of accountability and efficiency.

Vote for Seth Dallob for a commitment to responsible stewardship of our community's resources. For more information, visit www.sethdallob.com.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SOUTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
DIRECTOR**

JOEL HENDERSON

AGE: 36

Occupation: Information Technology Administrator

Education and Qualifications: As a lifelong resident of South Lake Tahoe, CA, I am deeply committed to our community's future. With over 20 years of experience in Information Technology in the fields of Utilities and Healthcare, I bring a unique blend of expertise to the Board of Directors.

Professionally, I have developed a deep understanding of the technological advancements that can enhance the efficiency and reliability of entities. My work includes implementing cutting-edge solutions that ensure seamless operation of critical infrastructure.

Raised in South Lake Tahoe, I have a profound appreciation for our environment and community values. My vision for the District includes promoting sustainable practices, integrating advanced technologies to improve operations, and ensuring transparency and more community engagement.

I am dedicated to leveraging my skills and passion for public service to contribute to the well-being of South Lake Tahoe residents and the preservation of our natural resources. Together, we can build a sustainable and prosperous future.

Thank you for your support.

Joel Henderson

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
SOUTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
DIRECTOR**

KELLY SHEEHAN

Occupation:

Education and Qualifications: My name is Kelly Sheehan, I am 66 years old, and I have had the honor of serving as a Board Member for the South Tahoe Public Utility District for the past three terms.

I am a 44 resident of this community.

My 20 years of working as a Branch Manager for El Dorado Savings Bank, as well owning and managing a local business has made me aware of the challenging economic environment of our community. My past service on the Board has included serving on various committees; including Operations, Finance, as well as the Executive Committee as Vice President and President. I have served with multiple Board Members, many with differing ideas and diverse experience and I have done so with a respectful and collaborative attitude. I believe in the District's mission to furnish our customers with reliable water and wastewater services, and to do so safely, efficiently, and cost effectively. I am aware of the need to maintain and update our aging infrastructure, especially in respect to the ever growing threat of wild fires. But, this needs to be done without financially over burdening our customers.

My only responsibility is to our rate payers. I respectfully ask for your vote.

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA
DISTRITO DE SERVICIOS PÚBLICOS DE SOUTH TAHOE
DIRECTORA**

KELLY SHEEHAN

EDAD: 62

Ocupación:

Educación y Cualificaciones: Me llamo Kelly Sheehan, tengo 66 años y he tenido el honor de servir como Miembro del Consejo para el Distrito de Servicios Públicos de South Tahoe durante los últimos tres periodos.

Soy una residente de 44 de esta comunidad.

Mis 20 años de trabajo como Gerenta de Sucursal del El Dorado Savings Bank, así como ser propietaria y administrar un negocio local, me han hecho consciente del desafiante ambiente económico de nuestra comunidad. Mi cargo pasado en el Consejo incluyó servir en varios comités, incluyendo Operaciones, Finanzas, así como el Comité Ejecutivo como Vicepresidenta y Presidenta. He servido junto a varios Miembros del Consejo, muchos con ideas diferentes y experiencia diversa, y lo he hecho con una actitud respetuosa y colaborativa. Creo en la misión del Distrito de proveer a nuestros clientes servicios de aguas y aguas residuales, y hacerlo con seguridad, eficacia y rentabilidad. Estoy consciente de la necesidad de mantener y renovar nuestra longeva infraestructura, especialmente en cuanto a creciente amenaza de incendios forestales. Pero esto debe hacerse sin sobrecargar económicamente a nuestros clientes. Mi única responsabilidad es con nuestros contribuyentes. Respetuosamente les pido su voto.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TAHOE CITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
DIRECTOR**

ELLEYNE “ELLIE” BEALS

AGE: 59

Occupation: Incumbent, Small Business Owner/Founder, Bookkeeper

Education and Qualifications: I would like to continue serving you on the Board of Directors of the Tahoe City Public Utility District and am asking for your support.

I currently serve as TCPUD Board President, and serve on the Sewer & Water and Finance Committees.

I take the role of Board member seriously and have taken dozens of classes and have earned numerous certificates, including Special District Leadership and Emergency Preparedness.

I previously served on the Boards of Meeks Bay Fire Protection District and my Property Owner's Association, and love contributing to our unique community.

My husband and I have lived here for 38 years, raised our family here, and are enjoying our time of giving back.

I am a small business founder/owner and was the Office Manager and Dental Assistant for Drs. Dickson and Morgan in Tahoe City for 25 years.

With your vote, I will continue focusing on long-term financial health, safe and reliable water and sewer services, improving water capacity for fire suppression, and maintaining and expanding our park facilities and recreation programs.

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA
EL DISTRITO DE SERVICIOS PÚBLICOS DE TAHOE CITY
DIRECTORA**

ELLEYNE “ELLIE” BEALS

EDAD: 59

Ocupación: Titular, Propietaria/Fundadora de Pequeña Empresa, Contadora

Educación y Calificaciones: Me gustaría seguir sirviéndole en la Junta Directiva del Distrito de Servicios Públicos de Tahoe City y le solicito su apoyo.

Actualmente, presido la Junta TCPUD, y actúo en los Comités de Alcantarillado y Agua y Finanzas.

Tomo con mucha seriedad mi papel como miembro de la Junta y he asistido a docenas de clases y he obtenido numerosos certificados, incluyendo Liderazgo y Preparación ante Emergencias de Distritos Especiales.

Anteriormente serví en las Juntas del Distrito de Protección contra Incendios de Meeks Bay y en mi Asociación de Propietarios Privados, y amo contribuir a nuestra comunidad única.

Mi esposo y yo hemos vivido aquí 38 años, hemos criado a nuestra familia aquí, y estamos disfrutando nuestro tiempo de retribuir.

Soy fundadora/dueña de una pequeña empresa y fui Directora de Oficina y Asistente Dental para los Drs. Dickinson y Morgan en Tahoe City por 25 años.

Con su voto, podré seguir enfocándome en la salud financiera a largo plazo, servicios de agua y saneamiento seguros y confiables, mejorar la capacidad hídrica para combatir el fuego, y mantener y expandir nuestros parques y programas de recreación.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
TAHOE CITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
DIRECTOR**

JUDY FRIEDMAN

Occupation: Small Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: Tahoe faces complex challenges that require thoughtful and creative solutions. Maintenance, repair, and replacement of water and sewer infrastructure and providing exceptional recreational opportunities are TCPUD's primary mission and increasing costs demand prudent planning.

As a business and homeowner, I appreciate the fiduciary responsibility a Board member assumes. Decisions must be based on sound financial principles and respect for the needs of our tax and rate payers. My business experience and volunteer service provide a unique view to the inner workings of the community. This knowledge informs my perspective on how to best meet our challenges.

Tahoe City was a small town when I moved here in 1972. Given the increase in year-round population, we need to work hard to balance our quality of life with growing service challenges.

I am fully committed to serving the community in a collaborative and transparent manner. I ask for your support and appreciate the trust that comes with your vote.

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FULL TEXT OF MEASURE A

BLACK OAK MINE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NOVEMBER 5, 2024 GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND MEASURE

"In order to acquire, construct and reconstruct school facilities, and provide for supporting infrastructure at the existing school site of the Black Oak Mine Unified School District, and in so doing increase health, safety, welfare and educational effectiveness of classrooms for students, shall the Black Oak Mine Unified School District be authorized to issue Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$12.7 million, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities or the acquisition or lease of real property for schools and school facilities listed in Attachment "1" on file at the District office and herein incorporated, which Bonds shall be issued for a term not to exceed the applicable statutory maximum, which is currently twenty-five (25) years in the case of bonds issued under the authority of the Education Code and forty (40) years in the case of bonds issued under the authority of the Government Code, at an interest rate below the legal maximum, and which Bonds shall be subject to the following provisions:

- (A) That proceeds of the Bonds shall be used only for the construction of school facilities and supporting infrastructure, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities pursuant to California Constitution Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) and further that the proceeds of the Bonds shall be used only for the purposes specified in California Constitution Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) (as amended by Proposition 39) and not for any other purpose, including teacher and non-construction related administrator salaries and any other school operating expenses.
- (B) That a list of the specific school facilities projects to be funded with the proceeds of the Bonds is attached hereto as Attachment "1" and, based upon the adoption of this Resolution, this Board of Trustees hereby certifies that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the school facilities listed in Attachment "1".
- (C) That the Board of Trustees of the District shall conduct an annual, independent performance audit to insure that the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds have been expended only on the specific projects listed in this bond proposition.
- (D) That the Board of Trustees of the District shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for the school facilities projects identified herein.
- (E) That the Board of Trustees of the District will, pursuant to the provisions of applicable State law, appoint a citizens' oversight committee, and conduct annual independent audits (as referenced above) to assure that the Bond proceeds are spent only on the school, facilities and classroom improvements, projects and costs identified in Attachment "1" and for no other purposes.

Repayment Projections: The tax levied to repay the Bonds is estimated to average \$1.2 million annually anticipated to be collected through 2040 at a rate of approximately \$0.03956 per \$100 / \$39.56 per \$100,000 of assessed value as further set out in the Tax Rate Statement provided to voters with this bond measure.

Taxpayer Protections: The following taxpayer protections are specifically provided in this Bond Measure and by law:

- Bond funds shall be used only for the school facilities projects identified herein, and **not for any other purpose.**
- As required by law, an **Independent Citizen's Oversight Committee** shall oversee expenditures of bond funds, and related matters, and shall report to the Board of Trustees and communicate with the public on such expenditures.
- As required by law, the School District shall conduct **annual financial audits and performance audits** (using independent auditors) for all bond funds.
- Bond Funds **shall not be used** for teacher or non-construction related administrator salaries or other non-construction related operating expenses."

ATTACHMENT "1"

BLACK OAK MINE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT **SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECTS**

The general obligation bonds of the Black Oak Mine Unified School District ("District") would be used to finance the design, acquisition, installation, restoration and construction of public

schools and school facilities and providing facilities improvements and upgrades, and related facilities costs, including, but not limited to, financing the following: modernizing, repairing and rehabilitating existing school facilities and adding certain new school facilities to meet current health, safety and instructional standards which will improve the overall educational experience for all students in the District. Such projects include, but are not limited to, repairing and replacing leaky roofs; renovating bathroom facilities at each District school campus; and reconstruction, renovation, modernization and construction of classrooms, libraries, roofing, playgrounds, plumbing, electrical and network infrastructure, walkways, fields and related projects. Project costs for expansion of existing facilities may include, but are not limited to, some or all of the following: site preparation, infrastructure and related expenses; and construction, acquisition or lease of temporary, portable or permanent classrooms, instructional support and ancillary facilities. Project costs for furniture and equipment may include, but are not limited to, some or all of the following: desks and tables; window and floor covering; computer, media recording and presentation equipment; kitchen equipment, improvements and furnishings; science laboratory equipment; and other electronic equipment.

The following projects are identified as projects on which the bond funds may be expended:

<u>BLACK OAK MINE SCHOOL/EDUCATION SITES</u>	
GEORGETOWN SCHOOL	NORTHSIDE SCHOOL
OTTER CREEK SCHOOL	GOLDEN SIERRA JUNIOR/ SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
DIVIDE CONTINUATION HIGH SCHOOL	AMERICAN RIVER CHARTER SCHOOL

District transportation; maintenance and support sites and facilities

School Facility Project List. The items presented on the following list provide are the types of projects authorized to be financed with voter-approved bond proceeds. Examples included on this list are not intended to limit the broader types of projects described and authorized by this measure. The types of projects authorized are:

- Expand, renovate and revitalize existing or construct new classrooms and school facilities for Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math ("STEAM") instruction
- Expand, renovate and revitalize existing or construct new classrooms, labs and school facilities for vocational and career training programs including but not limited to coding, electronics, robotics, woodworking and circuitry workshops
- Replace, repair, modernize deteriorating roofs, leaking pipes, outdated plumbing, sewer and gas lines, waterlines, storm drains and valves, heating, cooling, ventilation systems and electrical systems
- Renovate and modernize classrooms and school facilities including flooring, windows, window coverings, doors, lighting, interior and exterior finishes and paint, and construct new classrooms
- Renovate and modernize school libraries and computer labs
- Acquire, install and/or upgrade campus safety and security systems, including intercom and emergency communications systems, security cameras, video intrusion systems, bell systems, fire and life safety systems, installing additional fencing and gates, pedestrian access, walkways, fire lanes, point of entry access, signage and upgrading door locks
- Renovate, repair, replace, construct and/or install playgrounds, running tracks, athletic fields, turf, play surfaces, play structures, locker rooms and other physical education and athletic facilities, and all related improvements and equipment
- Expand stadium including renovation
- Construct and equip new transitional kindergarten and pre-kindergarten classrooms, learning spaces, play areas, play structures and related facilities
- Construct, modernize, and expand multipurpose rooms for physical education, eating areas and performances
- Acquire and install all necessary network infrastructure, wiring and hardware
- Provide updated furniture and equipment for all classrooms
- Develop, construct, install and improve outdoor areas including playgrounds, outdoor learning and meeting areas, hardscaping, landscaping, irrigation improvements, and build/install

shade structures and seating

- Renovate and repair restrooms and drinking fountains
- Repair and replace deteriorating asphalt, concrete, pedestrian access, sidewalks, parking lots, driveways and walkways
- Repair or replace irrigation systems to reduce water usage
- Modernize, upgrade, renovate, and relocate workrooms, conference rooms and other spaces for teacher collaboration and District support services
- Make health and safety improvements, such as installing necessary seismic reinforcements, repairing termite damage and repairing and/or replacing aging building materials including removal of hazardous materials identified either prior to or during construction
- Federal and State-mandated Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility upgrades district-wide including site access, walkways, parking, staff and student restrooms, relocation of some existing electrical devices, drinking fountains, playground equipment and classrooms

**ALL DISTRICT SCHOOL SITES WHERE RENOVATION, MAJOR REPAIRS
AND/OR NEW CONSTRUCTION TO BE UNDERTAKEN:**

- Remove and mitigate hazardous materials (e.g. asbestos, lead, PCB, mold, mildew, etc.) where necessary.
- Improve contingencies as required to comply with existing building codes and state/federal requirements, including access requirements of the ADA.
- Provide adequate furniture and equipment for all classrooms, and spaces to be newly constructed, modernized or reconstructed.
- Acquisition of any of the facilities on this School Facilities Project List through temporary lease or lease-purchase arrangements or execute purchase option under lease for any of these authorized facilities.
- Necessary site preparation/restoration in connection with renovation or remodeling, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of ways to property.
- If the Board of Trustees determines that replacement is more economical than rehabilitation, improvement, or renovation of existing classrooms/school facilities, in those particular cases replacement/new construction will be explored/pursued.
- Provide temporary (interim) classrooms and other school facilities as needed to accommodate students and school functions displaced during construction, including, but not limited to, relocation costs.
- The costs to demolish/remove facilities when no longer needed and the costs to restore site and utility systems after removal.
- Modernization upgrade or replacement of structures includes permanent, portable, or modular structures.

Project Costs for Furnishings and Equipment

Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, fixtures, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program/project management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. In addition to the listed projects stated above, the list also includes the acquisition of a variety of instructional, maintenance and operational equipment, including the reduction or retirement of outstanding lease obligations and interim funding incurred to advance fund projects from the list; installation of signage and fencing; payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility studies, assessment reviews, facility master plan preparation and updates, environmental studies (including environmental investigation, remediation and monitoring), design and construction documentation, and temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by construction projects. The upgrading of technology infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, computers, projectors, portable interface devices, servers, switches, routers, modules, sound projection systems, printers, digital white boards, document projectors, telephone system, call manager and network security/firewall, wireless technology systems and other miscellaneous equipment and software.

Incidental Costs - Incidental costs include, but are not limited to: costs of design, engineering, architect, legal and other professional services, facilities assessments, labor and material costs, sewer capacity improvements, inspections, site preparation, utilities, landscaping, construction management by third parties, general contractors and/or District personnel, and other planning and permitting, environmental review, rezoning and municipal license fees if any, legal, accounting and similar costs; independent annual financial and performance audits; a customary construction contingency; demolition and disposal of existing structures; the costs of interim housing and storage during construction including relocation and construction costs incurred relating to interim facilities; rental or construction of storage facilities and other space on an interim basis for materials and other equipment and furnishings displaced during construction; costs of relocating facilities and equipment as needed in connection with the projects; interim classrooms and facilities for students, administrators, and school functions, including modular facilities; all federal, state and locally-mandated safety upgrades; the costs of new or expanded infrastructure; the cost of providing parking and other facilities to accommodate new or expanded facilities; addressing any unforeseen conditions revealed by construction/modernization and other necessary improvements required to comply with existing building codes, including the Field Act; complying with all access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act and similar laws and regulations; costs of the election; project construction oversight, management and administration during the duration of such projects, including by District personnel.

Project costs for the above-referenced projects may include project management/construction management costs, warranty costs, master facilities planning, state or local costs or expenses involving design, planning, site and facilities development costs and charges, environmental review(s) and proceedings, audit costs, direct legal costs and related costs. Project costs may also include the payment or prepayment of existing or future lease payments and/or interim financing costs for lease of authorized facilities, property or buildings, prepayment of lease obligations for facilities purposes (including temporary classroom facilities) and payment of costs and expenses for interim financing of authorized facilities (including, but not limited to, financing delivery costs). Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District staff when performing work on, or necessary and incidental to, bond projects. Allowable project costs also include: costs of issuing the bonds or other securities (as authorized under California law), informational distribution costs and election costs authorized under State law.

The scope and nature of any of the specific projects described above may be altered by the District as required by unforeseen conditions that may arise during the course of design and accomplishment of the projects. In the event that a modernization or renovation project is more economical for the District to be undertaken as new construction, this bond measure authorizes land acquisition, relocation and construction and/or reconstruction, and all costs relating thereto, for said reason or, alternatively, based on other considerations deemed in the best interest of the District by the Board of Trustees. In addition, this measure authorizes the acquisition of real property, including necessary rights of ways or other real property interests, required to expand District facilities, to provide access to school or other District facilities, or to provide additional school or related facilities.

Projects described within this list may be undertaken and used as joint use projects with other public agencies.

This School Facilities Project List describes the specific facilities and capital projects the District may finance with proceeds of the Bonds. In addition, authorized projects include reimbursements for paid project costs and paying and/or prepaying interim or previously obtained financing for the types of projects included on the project list, such as bond anticipation notes, and including payment and prepayment of lease payments relating to projects and/or equipment previously financed. Listed projects will be completed as needed at a particular school site according to Board-established priorities, and the order in which such projects appear on this School Facilities Project List is not an indication of priority for funding or completion. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized, construction bids are awarded, and projects are completed. Certain construction funds expected from non-bond sources, including State grant funds for eligible projects, have not yet been secured. Until all project costs and funding sources are known, the Board of Trustees cannot determine the amount of bond

proceeds available to be allocated for each project, nor guarantee that the bonds will provide sufficient funds to allow completion of all listed projects. Completion of some projects may be subject to further government approvals by State officials and boards, to local environmental review, and to input from the public. For these reasons, inclusion of a project on the School Facilities Projects List is not a guarantee that any specific project listed herein will be funded, constructed or completed by a specific date.

Interpretation - The terms of this Bond Measure and the words used in the School Facilities Project List shall be interpreted broadly to effect the purpose of providing broad and clear authority for the officers and employees of the District to provide for the school facilities projects the District proposes to finance with the proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition within the authority provided by law, including, but not limited to, Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, Education Code Section 15000 *et seq.* and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000. Words used in the Project List such as repair, improve, upgrade, expand, modernize, renovate, and reconfigure are used to describe school facilities projects in plain English but are not intended to expand the nature of such projects beyond what is authorized by law. As such, in accordance with legal requirements, the Bond Project List does not authorize, and shall not be interpreted to authorize, expending proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition for current maintenance, operation or repairs.

Severability - The District Board hereby declares, and the voters by approving this Bond Measure concur, that every section and part of this bond proposition has independent value, and the District Board and the voters would have adopted each provision hereof regardless of every other provision hereof. Upon approval of this measure by the voters, should any part be found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid for any reason, all remaining parts hereof shall remain in full force and effect to the fullest extent allowed by law, and to this end the provisions of this bond measure are severable.

In preparing the foregoing School Facilities Project List, the Board of Trustees of the Black Oak Mine Unified School District has evaluated safety, class size and information technology needs.

BALLOT MEASURE STATEMENT

“With funds that cannot be taken by the State and spent elsewhere, shall Black Oak Mine Unified School District’s measure to expand classrooms for Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM); replace leaky roofs/plumbing; and enhance labs for Coding, Robotics, Woodworking, Circuitry, and Career Training be adopted, authorizing \$12.7 million of bonds with average levies below \$40 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation (raising \$1.2 million annually) while outstanding, legal rates, audits, citizen oversight, and full public disclosure of all spending?”

Bonds - Yes

Bonds – No

PURSUANT TO EDUCATION CODE SECTION 15272:

If this bond measure is approved, the Black Oak Mine Unified School District Board of Trustees will appoint a citizens’ oversight committee and conduct annual independent audits to assure that bond funds are spent only on school and classroom improvements and for no other purposes.

PURSUANT TO EDUCATION CODE SECTION 15122.5:

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

TAX RATE STATEMENT MEASURE A

As shown in the provided official ballot, an election is being held in the Black Oak Mine Unified School District ("District") on November 5, 2024, for the purpose of submitting to the registered voters within the District the question of whether the District shall be authorized to issue and sell bonds in an amount not to exceed \$12.7 million for the purpose of providing funds for the specified school facilities and school projects as set forth in the resolution of the District calling such bond election. This measure will authorize an *ad valorem* tax sufficient for payment of interest on, and redemption of, the bonds. If authorized, the bonds shall bear interest at a rate, or rates, to be established at such time as the bonds are sold, in one or more series, at fixed or variable interest rates not to exceed the maximum applicable statutory rate for such bonds. If such bonds are authorized and sold, the principal thereof and the interest thereon are a general obligation of the District payable solely from the proceeds of *ad valorem* property taxes on taxable real property located within the District.

The following information is submitted in compliance with California Elections Code Sections 9401 through 9405 based on estimates of assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement:

- (a) The best estimate from official sources of the average annual tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue during the entire duration of the bond debt service (repayment of the bonds) based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, which is a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors, is \$0.03950 per \$100 (\$39.56 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year in which such tax is anticipated to be collected is 2039-2040.
- (b) The best estimate from official sources of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund such bond issue(s) based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, which is a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors, is \$0.05046 per \$100 (\$50.46 per \$100,000) of assessed valuation. It is estimated that this tax rate would apply in the 2027-2028 tax/fiscal year.
- (c) The best estimate of the total debt service, including principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is \$17,300,000.

Voters should note that these estimated tax rates are based on the *assessed value* of taxable property within the District as shown on the official rolls of El Dorado County, *not* on the property's market value. In addition, taxpayers eligible for a property tax exemption, such as the homeowner's exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective rate than described above. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the El Dorado County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills and/or tax advisors to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

The attention of all voters is directed to the fact that these estimates are based on assumptions and projections derived from information currently available and obtained from official sources. The actual tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary depending on the timing of any bond sales, the amount of bonds sold, the maturities of the bonds issued and sold, market interest rates at the time of each sale of bonds and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The figures provided above are estimations based on the factors noted herein and are not maximum limitations. The timing of the bond sales and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be governed by the needs of the District. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each such sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the El Dorado County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE A

Measure A (the “Measure”), if approved by at least 55% of the registered voters voting thereon, would authorize the Black Oak Mine Unified School District (the “District”) to incur bonded indebtedness up to a maximum amount of \$12,700,000. The Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Trustees (“Board”) of the District pursuant to Resolution No. 2024-10.

Proceeds from the sale of the bonds authorized by the Measure would be used for the design, acquisition, installation, restoration and construction of public schools and school facilities and providing facilities improvements and upgrades and related facilities costs, including, but not limited to, modernizing, repairing and rehabilitating existing school facilities and adding certain new school facilities to meet current health, safety and instructional standards. No funds derived from bond sales may be used for general school operating expenses, including non-construction related administrator and teacher salaries, or for any purpose other than those expressly stated in the Measure. The full text of the Measure lists the types of school facility improvement projects within the District intended to be financed by bond sales.

The Measure provides that the Board shall conduct annual independent performance and financial audits and shall appoint an independent Citizens’ Oversight Committee to ensure that bond proceeds are spent only as specified in the Measure and as provided by law. Bond proceeds shall be deposited in a special fund and an annual report shall be made to the Board of the amount of funds collected and expended and the status of projects.

The maturity date and maximum rate of interest on any bond shall not exceed the maximums allowed by law. Principal and interest on the bonds will be paid by revenue derived from an ad valorem tax levied upon the taxable property within the District in an amount sufficient to pay the interest as it becomes due and to provide a fund for payment of the principal on or before bond maturity. According to the District’s Tax Rate Statement, the best estimate of the highest tax rate required to fund the bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available when the District filed its Tax Rate Statement, is \$50.46 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. Also according to the District’s Tax Rate Statement, the best estimate of the total debt service to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is approximately \$17,300,000.

A “yes” vote is a vote in favor of authorizing the District to issue and sell bonds in an amount up to \$12,700,000, such bonds to be repaid by revenue derived from an annual tax levied upon taxable property within the District.

A “no” vote is a vote against authorizing the District to issue and sell bonds in an amount up to \$12,700,000.

David A. Livingston, El Dorado County County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE A

The overwhelming majority of Black Oak Mine USD's citizens, taxpayers and voters agree that our local public schools are our community's greatest asset. Quality schools boost the value of our homes, support local businesses and are essential for the future success of our children. Investing in education benefits us all.

Vote YES on Measure A to improve Black Oak Mine school facilities so that our students are safer and better prepared to compete in the global economy.

Measure A offers key protections and benefits for our community:

- **Transparency and Accountability:** Independent citizen oversight, full public disclosure of all spending and annual audits ensure responsible use of funds.
- **Guaranteed Local Investment:** By law, Measure A funds cannot be taken by the state and must be spent on our local schools.
- **State Matching Funds:** Measure A qualifies Black Oak Mine USD for additional state matching funds, maximizing your investment.

Measure A will provide essential updates, including:

- **Modernizing Career Technical Education:** Updating coding, electronics, robotics, woodworking and circuitry workshops and labs
- **Expanding STEM Labs:** Enhancing Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics facilities for cutting-edge education
- **Critical Infrastructure Repairs:** Replacing leaky roofs and aging plumbing systems
- **Enhanced Security Measures:** Installing additional security cameras and lighting
- **Crucial Facility Improvements:** Renovating and repairing aging restrooms

Join us in investing in our community's future. To help ensure that our children succeed and protect the value of our community's homes and businesses, join parents, guardians, teachers, grandparents, neighbors, business owners and community leaders in voting **YES on Measure A.**

Rebecca Siren, Cool Charity Founder
Glenn W. Brown, Community Leader
Irene K. Sakaishi DVM, Veterinarian, Retired Business Owner
Jacqueline Morgan, Retired Architect
Alana Jenkins, General Manager GDRD

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST FILED

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE B

RESOLUTION NO. **086-2024** OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

SETTING FOR MAILED BALLOT ELECTION A MEASURE TO IMPOSE A SPECIAL TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ROAD IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR THE RIVER PINES ROAD ZONE OF BENEFIT #98146 WITHIN COUNTY SERVICE AREA #9

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado formed County Service Area (CSA) No. 9 pursuant to Title 3, Division 2, Part 2, Chapter 2.2 of the California Government Code and established zones of benefit within CSA No. 9; and

WHEREAS, this Board formed the River Pines Road Zone of Benefit No. 98146 on March 22, 1988 by Resolution 94-38 for the purposes of providing road improvements and maintenance services; and

WHEREAS, the extended services provided within CSA No. 9 zones are authorized services pursuant to Government Code section 25213; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code section 25215.2, together with section 25217.4, expressly authorizes a zone within a county service area to levy a special tax for road improvement and maintenance services subject to voter approval; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California State Law, the Board of Supervisors is required to place before the electorate the approval of the measure as shown on Exhibit A before the special tax can be levied, or increased over the amount previously approved by the electorate; and

WHEREAS, the County Registrar of Voters has determined that one hundred twenty-nine (129) registered voters reside within the zone of benefit boundaries; and

WHEREAS, such special tax amount increase shall take effect only if approved by a two-thirds majority of the voters casting a ballot in the special tax ballot proceeding; and

WHEREAS, the zone advisory committee has determined an annual special tax amount of \$500.00 for each parcel of land, whether it is improved or unimproved regardless of use, is reasonable and sufficient to provide road improvement and maintenance services within the zone of benefit for the fiscal year 2025/2026, and thereafter; and

WHEREAS, if the measure as shown on Exhibit A does not pass, the existing service charge of \$275.00 shall remain in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that:

1. The measure shown on Exhibit A shall be submitted to the voters of the River Pines Road Zone of Benefit 98146 within County Service Area 9.
2. The El Dorado County Registrar of Voters shall submit the measure as shown on Exhibit A to the electorate in a mailed ballot election to be held on November 5, 2024.
3. The tax as shown on Exhibit A, if approved, shall appear as a separate item on the tax bill of each affected parcel and shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as county ad valorem property taxes are collected as set forth in the applicable provisions of the Revenue and Taxation Code, and shall be subject to the same penalties and the same procedure and sale in case of delinquency as provided for such taxes. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes shall be applicable to the tax.
4. The special tax is subject to the accountability measures required by State Law, including Government Code sections 50075.1.
5. Notification shall be provided of the special tax increase, if approved, to each non-resident property owner within the zone boundaries, in accordance with the requirements of Government Code section 54930.
6. The special tax amount shown on Exhibit A shall take effect and be imposed only if it is approved by a two-thirds majority of the votes cast on the measure in the election to be conducted on November 5, 2024.

“Shall the measure to levy an annual special tax in an amount of \$500.00 on each parcel of land within the River Pines Zone of Benefit commencing fiscal year 2025/2026 and continuing for an unlimited duration, to be used only for road improvements and maintenance and generating an annual revenue of approximately \$47,000.00, to replace the current benefit assessment of \$275, be adopted?”

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE B

Measure B (the "Measure"), if approved by two-thirds of the voters voting thereon, would authorize the levy of a special tax at the rate of \$500 per parcel (whether improved or unimproved) per year within the River Pines Zone of Benefit #98146 of County Service Area 9 (the "Zone"). This Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at the request of the advisory committee for the Zone pursuant to Resolution No. 086-2024, which was passed at an official meeting of the Board of Supervisors on June 11, 2024.

If the Measure is approved, it would authorize the levy of a special tax of \$500 per parcel per year, replacing an existing benefit assessment of \$275 per parcel per year. The special tax will be used solely for the purpose of road improvements and maintenance services within the Zone. It would become effective in Fiscal Year 2025/2026 and remain in effect until modified or repealed by the voters. The special tax authorized by this Measure is expected to generate total revenue of approximately \$47,000 per year. If the Measure is not approved, the existing benefit assessment of \$275 per parcel per year will remain in effect.

State law requires the proceeds from the special tax be applied only to the identified purposes and that an annual report be made indicating the amount of funds collected and expended and the status of any project required or authorized to be funded by the proceeds.

The special tax authorized by this Measure will be listed as a separate item on the county property tax bill for each affected parcel of land and will be collected in the same manner as the general property tax. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes, including the provisions for penalties and the procedures for sale of the property in case of delinquency, shall also apply to the special tax.

A "YES" vote is a vote to authorize the levy of an annual special tax in the River Pines Zone of Benefit in an amount of \$500 per parcel, as provided in the Measure.

A "NO" vote is a vote against the levy of the special tax.

David A. Livingston, El Dorado County County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE B

Currently the yearly road fee assessment for River Pines Estates is \$275 per property, this generates roughly \$25,000 per year. This money is used for road maintenance and repair as well as weed spraying twice a year. The road fee has not been increased in 25 years.

The volunteer road committee has been frugal and saved a portion of the budget each year in case a major repair is needed but with rising costs is limited in what can be saved while continuing to do maintenance to the road. The repairs to the intersection of D'Agostini Drive and Squirrel Hollow (in 2019) were beyond the capability of the community and had to be contracted out at a cost of nearly \$25,000, our annual budget. The committee built up a reserve during the pandemic that allowed the chip seal of 1.5 miles of road, at a cost of \$100,000.

The county puts absolutely no money towards the repair and maintenance of our road; it is entirely on the residents of River Pines Estates to fund any road work. In order to be able to maintain our roads the volunteer road committee is asking that the road fee be increased to \$500 per year.

Lisa Moore, on behalf of the River Pines Estates Zone of Benefit Road Committee.

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST FILED

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE C

RESOLUTION NO. **087-2024** OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

SETTING FOR MAILED BALLOT ELECTION A MEASURE TO IMPOSE A SPECIAL TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ROAD IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR THE WALNUT DRIVE ROAD ZONE OF BENEFIT #98124 WITHIN COUNTY SERVICE AREA #9

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado formed County Service Area (CSA) No. 9 pursuant to Title 3, Division 2, Part 2, Chapter 2.2 of the California Government Code and established zones of benefit within CSA No. 9; and

WHEREAS, this Board formed the Walnut Drive Road Zone of Benefit No. 98124 on August 6, 1985 by Resolution 212-85 for the purposes of providing road improvements and maintenance services; and

WHEREAS, the extended services provided within CSA No. 9 zones are authorized services pursuant to Government Code section 25213; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code section 25215.2, together with section 25217.4, expressly authorizes a zone within a county service area to levy a special tax for road improvement and maintenance services subject to voter approval; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California State Law, the Board of Supervisors is required to place before the electorate the approval of the measure as shown on Exhibit A before the special tax can be levied, or increased over the amount previously approved by the electorate; and

WHEREAS, the County Registrar of Voters has determined that one hundred fifty-eight (158) registered voters reside within the zone of benefit boundaries; and

WHEREAS, such special tax amount increase shall take effect only if approved by a two-thirds majority of the voters casting a ballot in the special tax ballot proceeding; and

WHEREAS, the zone advisory committee has determined an annual special tax amount of \$685.00 for each parcel of land, whether it is improved or unimproved regardless of use, is reasonable and sufficient to provide road improvement and maintenance services within the zone of benefit for the fiscal year 2025/2026, and thereafter; and

WHEREAS, if the measure as shown on Exhibit A does not pass, the existing service charge of \$325.00 shall remain in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that:

1. The measure shown on Exhibit A shall be submitted to the voters of the Walnut Drive Road Zone of Benefit 98124 within County Service Area 9.
2. The El Dorado County Registrar of Voters shall submit the measure as shown on Exhibit A to the electorate in a mailed ballot election to be held on November 5, 2024.
3. The tax as shown on Exhibit A, if approved, shall appear as a separate item on the tax bill of each affected parcel and shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as county ad valorem property taxes are collected as set forth in the applicable provisions of the Revenue and Taxation Code, and shall be subject to the same penalties and the same procedure and sale in case of delinquency as provided for such taxes. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes shall be applicable to the tax.
4. The special tax is subject to the accountability measures required by State Law, including Government Code sections 50075.1.
5. Notification shall be provided of the special tax increase, if approved, to each non-resident property owner within the zone boundaries, in accordance with the requirements of Government Code section 54930.
6. The special tax amount shown on Exhibit A shall take effect and be imposed only if it is approved by a two-thirds majority of the votes cast on the measure in the election to be conducted on November 5, 2024.

“Shall the measure to levy an annual special tax in an amount of \$685.00 on each parcel of land within the Walnut Drive Zone of Benefit commencing fiscal year 2025/2026 and continuing for an unlimited duration, to be used only for road improvements and maintenance and generating an annual revenue of approximately \$51,375, to replace the current benefit assessment of \$325, be adopted?”

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE C

Measure C (the "Measure"), if approved by two-thirds of the voters voting thereon, would authorize the levy of a special tax at the rate of \$685 per parcel (whether improved or unimproved) per year within the Walnut Drive Road Zone of Benefit #98124 of County Service Area 9 (the "Zone"). This Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at the request of the advisory committee for the Zone pursuant to Resolution No. 087-2024, which was passed at an official meeting of the Board of Supervisors on June 11, 2024.

If the Measure is approved, it would authorize the levy of a special tax of \$685 per parcel per year, replacing an existing benefit assessment of \$325 per parcel per year. The special tax will be used solely for the purpose of road improvements and maintenance services within the Zone. It would become effective in Fiscal Year 2025/2026 and remain in effect until modified or repealed by the voters. The special tax authorized by this Measure is expected to generate total revenue of approximately \$51,375 per year. If the Measure is not approved, the existing benefit assessment of \$325 per parcel per year will remain in effect.

State law requires the proceeds from the special tax be applied only to the identified purposes and that an annual report be made indicating the amount of funds collected and expended and the status of any project required or authorized to be funded by the proceeds.

The special tax authorized by this Measure will be listed as a separate item on the county property tax bill for each affected parcel of land and will be collected in the same manner as the general property tax. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes, including the provisions for penalties and the procedures for sale of the property in case of delinquency, shall also apply to the special tax.

A "YES" vote is a vote to authorize the levy of an annual special tax in the Walnut Drive Road Zone of Benefit in an amount of \$685 per parcel, as provided in the Measure.

A "NO" vote is a vote against the increase of the special tax.

David A. Livingston, El Dorado County County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE C

Asking for your support to increase annual funds collected to maintain our Zone of Benefit roads. Road maintenance funds are collected with property taxes from each parcel as part of the County Zone of Benefit Program. Our roads are maintained exclusively through this program. The program includes neighbors who volunteer to be on the Advisory Board, and neighbors who work at volunteer events. The volunteer events help us stretch funds to be used for larger Contractor maintenance and repairs.

The current funds collected -- \$325 annually per parcel -- have not increased since 1997, 27 years ago.

Over the past 27 years both traffic volume on our Zone roads and maintenance costs have increased significantly.

The initial design of our paved roads did not account for the heavy use we see today:

- Significant increase in heavy truck traffic, weekly trash truck pick-up at most property driveways, multiple daily UPS, FedEx, & Amazon deliveries
- Overall significant increase in population and traffic on our zone roads

The cost of materials and labor to maintain our roads has increased exponentially over the past 27 years. Our current budget collected with property taxes is \$24,375 annually. With the changes in road use and increased maintenance costs over the past 27 years these funds only enable us to address the most critical road repairs each year.

We face major challenges in keeping up with basic road maintenance due to inadequate funds. The condition of our roads is deteriorating at the current funding level.

Please vote YES for the Measure C to increase our Zone of Benefit funds from \$325 to \$685 per parcel annually.

Maureen Brennan-Petitt – Walnut Drive Road Zone of Benefit Key Contact

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST FILED

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE E

RESOLUTION NO. **088-2024** OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

SETTING FOR MAILED BALLOT ELECTION A MEASURE TO IMPOSE A SPECIAL TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ROAD IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR THE RYAN RANCH ROAD ZONE OF BENEFIT #98102 WITHIN COUNTY SERVICE AREA #9

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado formed County Service Area (CSA) No. 9 pursuant to Title 3, Division 2, Part 2, Chapter 2.2 of the California Government Code and established zones of benefit within CSA No. 9; and

WHEREAS, this Board formed the Ryan Ranch Road Zone of Benefit No. 98102 on December 20, 1983 by Resolution 357-83 for the purposes of providing road improvements and maintenance services; and

WHEREAS, the extended services provided within CSA No. 9 zones are authorized services pursuant to Government Code section 25213; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code section 25215.2, together with section 25217.4, expressly authorizes a zone within a county service area to levy a special tax for road improvement and maintenance services subject to voter approval; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California State Law, the Board of Supervisors is required to place before the electorate the approval of the measure as shown on Exhibit A before the special tax can be levied, or increased over the amount previously approved by the electorate; and

WHEREAS, the County Registrar of Voters has determined that one hundred thirty-three (133) registered voters reside within the zone of benefit boundaries; and

WHEREAS, such special tax amount increase shall take effect only if approved by a two-thirds majority of the voters casting a ballot in the special tax ballot proceeding; and

WHEREAS, the zone advisory committee has determined an annual special tax amount of \$1,000.00 for each parcel of land, whether it is improved or unimproved regardless of use, is reasonable and sufficient to provide road improvement and maintenance services within the zone of benefit for the fiscal year 2025/2026, and thereafter; and

WHEREAS, if the measure as shown on Exhibit A does not pass, the existing special tax of \$500.00 shall remain in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that:

1. The measure shown on Exhibit A shall be submitted to the voters of the Ryan Ranch Road Zone of Benefit 98102 within County Service Area 9.
2. The El Dorado County Registrar of Voters shall submit the measure as shown on Exhibit A to the electorate in a mailed ballot election to be held on November 5, 2024.
3. The tax as shown on Exhibit A, if approved, shall appear as a separate item on the tax bill of each affected parcel and shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as county ad valorem property taxes are collected as set forth in the applicable provisions of the Revenue and Taxation Code, and shall be subject to the same penalties and the same procedure and sale in case of delinquency as provided for such taxes. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes shall be applicable to the tax.
4. The special tax is subject to the accountability measures required by State Law, including Government Code sections 50075.1.
5. Notification shall be provided of the special tax increase, if approved, to each non-resident property owner within the zone boundaries, in accordance with the requirements of Government Code section 54930.
6. The special tax amount shown on Exhibit A shall take effect and be imposed only if it is approved by a two-thirds majority of the votes cast on the measure in the election to be conducted on November 5, 2024.

"Shall the measure to levy an annual special tax in an amount of \$1,000.00 on each parcel of land within the Ryan Ranch Zone of Benefit commencing fiscal year 2025/2026 and continuing for an unlimited duration, to be used only for road improvements and maintenance and generating an annual revenue of approximately \$81,000.00, be adopted?"

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE E

Measure E (the "Measure"), if approved by two-thirds of the voters voting thereon, would authorize the levy of an increased special tax at the rate of \$1,000 per parcel (whether improved or unimproved) per year within the Ryan Ranch Road Zone of Benefit #98102 of County Service Area 9 (the "Zone"). This Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at the request of the advisory committee for the Zone pursuant to Resolution No. 088-2024, which was passed at an official meeting of the Board of Supervisors on June 11, 2024.

If the Measure is approved, it would increase the special tax within the Zone from \$500 to \$1,000 per parcel per year. The special tax will be used solely for the purpose of road improvements and maintenance services within the Zone. It would become effective in Fiscal Year 2025/2026 and remain in effect until modified or repealed by the voters. The special tax authorized by this Measure is expected to generate total revenue of approximately \$81,000 per year. If the Measure is not approved, the existing special tax of \$500 per parcel per year will remain in effect.

State law requires the proceeds from the special tax be applied only to the identified purposes and that an annual report be made indicating the amount of funds collected and expended and the status of any project required or authorized to be funded by the proceeds.

The special tax authorized by this Measure will be listed as a separate item on the county property tax bill for each affected parcel of land and will be collected in the same manner as the general property tax. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes, including the provisions for penalties and the procedures for sale of the property in case of delinquency, shall also apply to the special tax.

A "YES" vote is a vote to increase the annual special tax in the Ryan Ranch Road Zone of Benefit from \$500 to \$1,000 per parcel, as provided in the Measure.

A "NO" vote is a vote against the increase of the special tax.

David A. Livingston, El Dorado County County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE E

This increase is for a much-needed maintenance and repairs on Ryan Ranch Roads, which would be an increase on the yearly Road Assessment Tax from \$500 per year to \$1,000 a year. Ryan Ranch community has 5.2 miles of public roads that are privately maintained by our community. There are several culvert crossings that were installed 50 years ago and three of those creek culverts are major projects for replacements that had an original life span of 35 to 40 years. We replace one of those crossing in winter of 2023, but the other two require a much need repairs or replacement. Our current funds will not cover these needed projects. It is our community's responsibility to ensure that we have good roads without interruption. Please vote a yes for this road tax assessment increase.

Ryan Ranch Road Association, Zone of Benefit, Area 9
William Deemer, Committee Member
William Louie, Committee Member
Eric Konz, Committee Member
Richard Harris, Committee Member

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST FILED

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE G

RESOLUTION NO. **089-2024** OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

SETTING FOR MAILED BALLOT ELECTION A MEASURE TO IMPOSE A SPECIAL TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ROAD IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR THE PILOT VIEW ROAD ZONE OF BENEFIT #98135 WITHIN COUNTY SERVICE AREA #9

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado formed County Service Area (CSA) No. 9 pursuant to Title 3, Division 2, Part 2, Chapter 2.2 of the California Government Code and established zones of benefit within CSA No. 9; and

WHEREAS, this Board formed the Pilot View Road Zone of Benefit No. 98135 on December 30, 1986 by Resolution 402-86 for the purposes of providing road improvements and maintenance services; and

WHEREAS, the extended services provided within CSA No. 9 zones are authorized services pursuant to Government Code section 25213; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code section 25215.2, together with section 25217.4, expressly authorizes a zone within a county service area to levy a special tax for road improvement and maintenance services subject to voter approval; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California State Law, the Board of Supervisors is required to place before the electorate the approval of the measure as shown on Exhibit A before the special tax can be levied, or increased over the amount previously approved by the electorate; and

WHEREAS, the County Registrar of Voters has determined that one hundred thirteen (113) registered voters reside within the zone of benefit boundaries; and

WHEREAS, such special tax amount increase shall take effect only if approved by a two-thirds majority of the voters casting a ballot in the special tax ballot proceeding; and

WHEREAS, the zone advisory committee has determined an annual special tax amount of \$400.00 for each parcel of land, whether it is improved or unimproved regardless of use, is reasonable and sufficient to provide road improvement and maintenance services within the zone of benefit for the fiscal year 2025/2026, and thereafter; and

WHEREAS, if the measure as shown on Exhibit A does not pass, the existing special tax of \$200.00 shall remain in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that:

1. The measure shown on Exhibit A shall be submitted to the voters of the Pilot View Road Zone of Benefit 98135 within County Service Area 9.
2. The El Dorado County Registrar of Voters shall submit the measure as shown on Exhibit A to the electorate in a mailed ballot election to be held on November 5, 2024.
3. The tax as shown on Exhibit A, if approved, shall appear as a separate item on the tax bill of each affected parcel and shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as county ad valorem property taxes are collected as set forth in the applicable provisions of the Revenue and Taxation Code, and shall be subject to the same penalties and the same procedure and sale in case of delinquency as provided for such taxes. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes shall be applicable to the tax.
4. The special tax is subject to the accountability measures required by State Law, including Government Code sections 50075.1.
5. Notification shall be provided of the special tax increase, if approved, to each non-resident property owner within the zone boundaries, in accordance with the requirements of Government Code section 54930.
6. The special tax amount shown on Exhibit A shall take effect and be imposed only if it is approved by a two-thirds majority of the votes cast on the measure in the election to be conducted on November 5, 2024.

“Shall the measure to levy an annual special tax in an amount of \$400.00 on each parcel of land within the Pilot View Zone of Benefit commencing fiscal year 2025/2026 and continuing for an unlimited duration, to be used only for road improvements and maintenance and generating an annual revenue of approximately \$28,800.00, be adopted?”

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE G

Measure G (the "Measure"), if approved by two-thirds of the voters voting thereon, would authorize the levy of an increased special tax at the rate of \$400 per parcel (whether improved or unimproved) per year within the Pilot View Road Zone of Benefit #98135 of County Service Area 9 (the "Zone"). This Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at the request of the advisory committee for the Zone pursuant to Resolution No. 089-2024, which was passed at an official meeting of the Board of Supervisors on June 11, 2024.

If the Measure is approved, it would increase the special tax within the Zone from \$200 to \$400 per parcel per year. The special tax will be used solely for the purpose of road improvements and maintenance services within the Zone. It would become effective in Fiscal Year 2025/2026 and remain in effect until modified or repealed by the voters. The special tax authorized by this Measure is expected to generate total revenue of approximately \$28,800 per year. If the Measure is not approved, the existing special tax of \$200 per parcel per year will remain in effect.

State law requires the proceeds from the special tax be applied only to the identified purposes and that an annual report be made indicating the amount of funds collected and expended and the status of any project required or authorized to be funded by the proceeds.

The special tax authorized by this Measure will be listed as a separate item on the county property tax bill for each affected parcel of land and will be collected in the same manner as the general property tax. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes, including the provisions for penalties and the procedures for sale of the property in case of delinquency, shall also apply to the special tax.

A "YES" vote is a vote to increase the annual special tax in the Pilot View Road Zone of Benefit from \$200 to \$400 per parcel, as provided in the Measure.

A "NO" vote is a vote against the increase of the special tax.

David A. Livingston, El Dorado County County Counsel

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST FILED

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE H

RESOLUTION NO. **090-2024** OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

SETTING FOR MAILED BALLOT ELECTION A MEASURE TO IMPOSE A SPECIAL TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ROAD IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR THE KING OF THE MOUNTAIN ROAD ZONE OF BENEFIT #98138 WITHIN COUNTY SERVICE AREA #9

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado formed County Service Area (CSA) No. 9 pursuant to Title 3, Division 2, Part 2, Chapter 2.2 of the California Government Code and established zones of benefit within CSA No. 9; and

WHEREAS, this Board formed the King of the Mountain Road Zone of Benefit No. 98138 on December 30, 1986 by Resolution 403-86 for the purposes of providing road improvements and maintenance services; and

WHEREAS, the extended services provided within CSA No. 9 zones are authorized services pursuant to Government Code section 25213; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code section 25215.2, together with section 25217.4, expressly authorizes a zone within a county service area to levy a special tax for road improvement and maintenance services subject to voter approval; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California State Law, the Board of Supervisors is required to place before the electorate the approval of the measure as shown on Exhibit A before the special tax can be levied, or increased over the amount previously approved by the electorate; and

WHEREAS, the County Registrar of Voters has determined that nineteen (19) registered voters reside within the zone of benefit boundaries; and

WHEREAS, such special tax amount increase shall take effect only if approved by a two-thirds majority of the voters casting a ballot in the special tax ballot proceeding; and

WHEREAS, the zone advisory committee has determined an annual special tax amount of \$550.00 for each parcel of land, whether it is improved or unimproved regardless of use, is reasonable and sufficient to provide road improvement and maintenance services within the zone of benefit for the fiscal year 2025/2026, and thereafter; and

WHEREAS, if the measure as shown on Exhibit A does not pass, the existing benefit assessment of \$250.00 shall remain in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that:

1. The measure shown on Exhibit A shall be submitted to the voters of the King of the Mountain Road Zone of Benefit 98138 within County Service Area 9.
2. The El Dorado County Registrar of Voters shall submit the measure as shown on Exhibit A to the electorate in a mailed ballot election to be held on November 5, 2024.
3. The tax as shown on Exhibit A, if approved, shall appear as a separate item on the tax bill of each affected parcel and shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as county ad valorem property taxes are collected as set forth in the applicable provisions of the Revenue and Taxation Code, and shall be subject to the same penalties and the same procedure and sale in case of delinquency as provided for such taxes. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes shall be applicable to the tax.
4. The special tax is subject to the accountability measures required by State Law, including Government Code sections 50075.1.
5. Notification shall be provided of the special tax increase, if approved, to each non-resident property owner within the zone boundaries, in accordance with the requirements of Government Code section 54930.
6. The special tax amount shown on Exhibit A shall take effect and be imposed only if it is approved by a two-thirds majority of the votes cast on the measure in the election to be conducted on November 5, 2024.

"Shall the measure to levy an annual special tax in an amount of \$550.00 on each parcel of land within the King of the Mountain Zone of Benefit commencing fiscal year 2025/2026 and continuing for an unlimited duration, to be used only for road improvements and maintenance and generating an annual revenue of approximately \$11,550.00, to replace the current benefit assessment of \$250, be adopted?"

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE H

Measure H (the "Measure"), if approved by two-thirds of the voters voting thereon, would authorize the levy of a special tax at the rate of \$550 per parcel (whether improved or unimproved) per year within the King of the Mountain Road Zone of Benefit #98138 of County Service Area 9 (the "Zone"). This Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at the request of the advisory committee for the Zone pursuant to Resolution No. 090-2024, which was passed at an official meeting of the Board of Supervisors on June 11, 2024.

If the Measure is approved, it would authorize the levy of a special tax of \$550 per parcel per year, replacing an existing benefit assessment of \$250 per parcel per year. The special tax will be used solely for the purpose of road improvements and maintenance services within the Zone. It would become effective in Fiscal Year 2025/2026 and remain in effect until modified or repealed by the voters. The special tax authorized by this Measure is expected to generate total revenue of approximately \$11,550 per year. If the Measure is not approved, the existing benefit assessment of \$250 per parcel per year will remain in effect.

State law requires the proceeds from the special tax be applied only to the identified purposes and that an annual report be made indicating the amount of funds collected and expended and the status of any project required or authorized to be funded by the proceeds.

The special tax authorized by this Measure will be listed as a separate item on the county property tax bill for each affected parcel of land and will be collected in the same manner as the general property tax. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes, including the provisions for penalties and the procedures for sale of the property in case of delinquency, shall also apply to the special tax.

A "YES" vote is a vote to authorize the levy of an annual special tax in the King of the Mountain Road Zone of Benefit in an amount of \$550 per parcel, as provided in the Measure.

A "NO" vote is a vote against the levy of the special tax.

David A. Livingston, El Dorado County County Counsel

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST FILED

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE J

RESOLUTION NO. **091-2024** OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

SETTING FOR MAILED BALLOT ELECTION A MEASURE TO IMPOSE A SPECIAL TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ROAD, DRAINAGE AND LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR THE BLANCHARD ESTATES ZONE OF BENEFIT #98145 WITHIN COUNTY SERVICE AREA #9

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado formed County Service Area (CSA) No. 9 pursuant to Title 3, Division 2, Part 2, Chapter 2.2 of the California Government Code and established zones of benefit within CSA No. 9; and

WHEREAS, this Board formed the Blanchard Estates Zone of Benefit No. 98145 on March 8, 1988 by Resolution 68-88 for the purposes of providing road, drainage and landscape maintenance services; and

WHEREAS, the extended services provided within CSA No. 9 zones are authorized services pursuant to Government Code section 25213; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code section 25215.2, together with section 25217.4, expressly authorizes a zone within a county service area to levy a special tax for road improvement and maintenance services, drainage facility maintenance services and landscape maintenance services subject to voter approval; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California State Law, the Board of Supervisors is required to place before the electorate the approval of the measure as shown on Exhibit A before the special tax can be levied, or increased over the amount previously approved by the electorate; and

WHEREAS, the County Registrar of Voters has determined that twenty-four (24) registered voters reside within the zone of benefit boundaries; and

WHEREAS, such special tax amount increase shall take effect only if approved by a two-thirds majority of the voters casting a ballot in the special tax ballot proceeding; and

WHEREAS, the zone advisory committee has determined an annual special tax amount of \$1,000.00 for each parcel of land, whether it is improved or unimproved regardless of use, is reasonable and sufficient to provide road, drainage and landscape maintenance services within the zone of benefit for the fiscal year 2025/2026, and thereafter; and

WHEREAS, if the measure as shown on Exhibit A does not pass, the existing special tax amount of \$550.00 shall remain in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that:

1. The measure shown on Exhibit A shall be submitted to the voters of the Blanchard Estates Zone of Benefit 98145 within County Service Area 9.
2. The El Dorado County Registrar of Voters shall submit the measure as shown on Exhibit A to the electorate in a mailed ballot election to be held on November 5, 2024.
3. The tax as shown on Exhibit A, if approved, shall appear as a separate item on the tax bill of each affected parcel and shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as county ad valorem property taxes are collected as set forth in the applicable provisions of the Revenue and Taxation Code, and shall be subject to the same penalties and the same procedure and sale in case of delinquency as provided for such taxes. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes shall be applicable to the tax.
4. The special tax is subject to the accountability measures required by State Law, including Government Code sections 50075.1.
5. Notification shall be provided of the special tax increase, if approved, to each non-resident property owner within the zone boundaries, in accordance with the requirements of Government Code section 54930.
6. The special tax amount shown on Exhibit A shall take effect and be imposed only if it is approved by a two-thirds majority of the votes cast on the measure in the election to be conducted on November 5, 2024.

“Shall the measure to levy an annual special tax in an amount of \$1,000.00 on each parcel of land within the Blanchard Estates Zone of Benefit commencing fiscal year 2025/2026 and continuing for an unlimited duration, to be used only for road, drainage and landscape maintenance and generating an annual revenue of approximately \$12,000.00, be adopted?”

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE J

Measure J (the "Measure"), if approved by two-thirds of the voters voting thereon, would authorize the levy of an increased special tax at the rate of \$1,000 per parcel (whether improved or unimproved) per year within the Blanchard Estates Zone of Benefit #98145 of County Service Area 9 (the "Zone"). This Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at the request of the advisory committee for the Zone pursuant to Resolution No. 091-2024, which was passed at an official meeting of the Board of Supervisors on June 11, 2024.

If the Measure is approved, it would increase the special tax within the Zone to \$1,000 per parcel per year. The special tax will be used solely for the purpose of road, drainage, and landscape maintenance services within the Zone. It would become effective in Fiscal Year 2025/2026 and remain in effect until modified or repealed by the voters. The special tax authorized by this Measure is expected to generate total revenue of approximately \$12,000 per year. If the Measure is not approved, the existing special tax will remain in effect.

State law requires the proceeds from the special tax be applied only to the identified purposes and that an annual report be made indicating the amount of funds collected and expended and the status of any project required or authorized to be funded by the proceeds.

The special tax authorized by this Measure will be listed as a separate item on the county property tax bill for each affected parcel of land and will be collected in the same manner as the general property tax. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes, including the provisions for penalties and the procedures for sale of the property in case of delinquency, shall also apply to the special tax.

A "YES" vote is a vote to increase the annual special tax in the Blanchard Estates Zone of Benefit to \$1,000 per parcel, as provided in the Measure.

A "NO" vote is a vote against the increase of the special tax.

David A. Livingston, El Dorado County County Counsel

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST FILED

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE K

RESOLUTION NO. **092-2024** OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

SETTING FOR MAILED BALLOT ELECTION A MEASURE TO IMPOSE A SPECIAL TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING DRAINAGE, STREET LIGHTING, LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE AND WETLAND RELATED SERVICES FOR THE EMERALD MEADOWS ZONE OF BENEFIT #98580 WITHIN COUNTY SERVICE AREA #9

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado formed County Service Area (CSA) No. 9 pursuant to Title 3, Division 2, Part 2, Chapter 2.2 of the California Government Code and established zones of benefit within CSA No. 9; and

WHEREAS, this Board formed the Emerald Meadows Zone of Benefit No. 98580 on October 22, 1991 by Resolution 338-91 for the purposes of providing drainage, street lighting, and landscape maintenance services; and

WHEREAS, this Board approved Resolution 354-92 for the purpose of providing wetland related services on November 24, 1992; and

WHEREAS, the extended services provided within CSA No. 9 zones are authorized services pursuant to Government Code section 25213; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code section 25215.2, together with section 25217.4, expressly authorizes a zone within a county service area to levy a special tax for drainage, street lighting, landscape maintenance, and wetland related services subject to voter approval; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California State Law, the Board of Supervisors is required to place before the electorate the approval of the measure as shown on Exhibit A before the special tax can be levied, or increased over the amount previously approved by the electorate; and

WHEREAS, the County Registrar of Voters has determined that two hundred forty-six (246) registered voters reside within the zone of benefit boundaries; and

WHEREAS, such special tax amount increase shall take effect only if approved by a two-thirds majority of the voters casting a ballot in the special tax ballot proceeding; and

WHEREAS, the zone advisory committee has determined an annual special tax amount of \$375.00, with annual adjustments tied to the US Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), for each parcel of land, whether it is improved or unimproved regardless of use, is reasonable and sufficient to drainage, street lighting, landscape maintenance, and wetland related services within the zone of benefit for the fiscal year 2025/2026, and thereafter; and

WHEREAS, if the measure as shown on Exhibit A does not pass, the existing benefit assessment of \$212.00 shall remain in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that:

1. The measure shown on Exhibit A shall be submitted to the voters of the Emerald Meadows Zone of Benefit 98580 within County Service Area 9.
2. The El Dorado County Registrar of Voters shall submit the measure as shown on Exhibit A to the electorate in a mailed ballot election to be held on November 5, 2024.
3. The tax as shown on Exhibit A, if approved, shall appear as a separate item on the tax bill of each affected parcel and shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as county ad valorem property taxes are collected as set forth in the applicable provisions of the Revenue and Taxation Code, and shall be subject to the same penalties and the same procedure and sale in case of delinquency as provided for such taxes. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes shall be applicable to the tax.
4. The Director of Transportation, or designee, is delegated the authority to annually adjust the rate of the tax for cost of living using the US Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U).
5. The special tax is subject to the accountability measures required by State Law, including Government Code sections 50075.1.
6. Notification shall be provided of the special tax increase, if approved, to each non-resident property owner within the zone boundaries, in accordance with the requirements of Government Code section 54930.

7. The special tax amount shown on Exhibit A shall take effect and be imposed only if it is approved by a two-thirds majority of the votes cast on the measure in the election to be conducted on November 5, 2024.

“Shall the measure to levy an annual special tax in an amount of \$375.00, with an annual adjustment using the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, on each parcel of land within the Emerald Meadows Zone of Benefit commencing fiscal year 2025/2026 and continuing for an unlimited duration, to be used only for drainage, street lighting, landscape maintenance, and wetland related services and generating an annual revenue of approximately \$41,625.00, be adopted?”

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE K

Measure K (the "Measure"), if approved by two-thirds of the voters voting thereon, would authorize the levy of a special tax at the rate of \$375 per parcel (whether improved or unimproved) per year within the Emerald Meadows Zone of Benefit #98580 of County Service Area 9 (the "Zone"). This Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at the request of the advisory committee for the Zone pursuant to Resolution No. 092-2024, which was passed at an official meeting of the Board of Supervisors on June 11, 2024.

If the Measure is approved, it would authorize the levy of a special tax of \$375 per parcel per year, replacing an existing benefit assessment of \$212 per parcel per year. The amount of the special tax may be adjusted annually in accordance with the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers. The special tax will be used solely for the purpose of drainage, street lighting, landscape maintenance, and wetland related services within the Zone. It would become effective in Fiscal Year 2025/2026 and remain in effect until modified or repealed by the voters. The special tax authorized by this Measure is expected to generate total revenue of approximately \$41,625 per year. If the Measure is not approved, the existing benefit assessment of \$212 per parcel per year will remain in effect.

State law requires the proceeds from the special tax be applied only to the identified purposes and that an annual report be made indicating the amount of funds collected and expended and the status of any project required or authorized to be funded by the proceeds.

The special tax authorized by this Measure will be listed as a separate item on the county property tax bill for each affected parcel of land and will be collected in the same manner as the general property tax. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes, including the provisions for penalties and the procedures for sale of the property in case of delinquency, shall also apply to the special tax.

A "YES" vote is a vote to authorize the levy of an annual special tax in the Emerald Meadows Zone of Benefit in an amount of \$375 per parcel, as provided in the Measure.

A "NO" vote is a vote against the levy of the special tax.

David A. Livingston, El Dorado County County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE K

When Emerald Meadows was established in 1991, the Board of Supervisors created a Zone of Benefit (Zone) to provide:

- landscaping maintenance at the entrances and along the sound wall next to Green Valley Road
- weed control near the wetlands
- drainage
- electricity/PG&E (for streetlights)
- water/EID (for the lawns, shrubs, and trees along the sound wall).

To fund these services, a special tax of \$212 per home per year was established in 1991 and included in property tax bills. However, with sharp increases in electricity, water, county administration fees, and other costs, the special tax no longer covers our expenses. We face two options: raise the special tax or dissolve the Zone and form a Home Owners Association (HOA). Many of us value living in Emerald Meadows precisely because there is NO HOA with its rules enforcement or high monthly costs.

In early 2024, rather than dissolving the Zone and forming an HOA, we held a series of neighborhood meetings to discuss raising the special tax that funds our Zone. After careful analysis and discussions, participants voted unanimously to increase the special tax to \$375 per home per year (plus a minimal adjustment tied to inflation). This is an increase of only \$13.58 per month. This will be the first increase since 1991!

Now, this tax increase must be put to a vote in the November General Election. Ballots will be mailed to all registered voters in Emerald Meadows. The increase must be approved by a two-thirds majority of the vote.

If the special tax vote does NOT succeed, the County will dissolve our Zone, forcing residents to form an HOA.

Vote YES on the special tax to keep our current lifestyle and avoid an Emerald Meadows HOA!

Carol Story, Emerald Meadows Resident

Sharon Von Bokern, Emerald Meadows Resident

Rina Johnson, Emerald Meadows Resident

Craig Peil, Emerald Meadows Resident

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST FILED

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE L

RESOLUTION NO. **093-2024** OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

SETTING FOR MAILED BALLOT ELECTION A MEASURE TO IMPOSE A SPECIAL TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR THE CAVALRY MEADOWS DRAINAGE ZONE OF BENEFIT #98379 WITHIN COUNTY SERVICE AREA #9

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado formed County Service Area (CSA) No. 9 pursuant to Title 3, Division 2, Part 2, Chapter 2.2 of the California Government Code and established zones of benefit within CSA No. 9; and

WHEREAS, this Board formed the Cavalry Meadows Drainage Zone of Benefit No. 98379 on February 26, 1991 by Resolution 58-91 for the purposes of providing drainage maintenance services; and

WHEREAS, the extended services provided within CSA No. 9 zones are authorized services pursuant to Government Code section 25213; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code section 25215.2, together with section 25217.4, expressly authorizes a zone within a county service area to levy a special tax for drainage maintenance services subject to voter approval; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California State Law, the Board of Supervisors is required to place before the electorate the approval of the measure as shown on Exhibit A before the special tax can be levied, or increased over the amount previously approved by the electorate; and

WHEREAS, the County Registrar of Voters has determined that nineteen (19) registered voters reside within the zone of benefit boundaries; and

WHEREAS, such special tax amount increase shall take effect only if approved by a two-thirds majority of the voters casting a ballot in the special tax ballot proceeding; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation has determined an annual special tax amount of \$350.00 for each parcel of land, whether it is improved or unimproved regardless of use, is reasonable and sufficient to provide drainage maintenance services within the zone of benefit for the fiscal year 2025/2026, and thereafter; and

WHEREAS, if the measure as shown on Exhibit A does not pass, the existing assessment of \$110.00 shall remain in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that:

1. The measure shown on Exhibit A shall be submitted to the voters of the Cavalry Meadows Zone of Benefit 98379 within County Service Area 9.
2. The El Dorado County Registrar of Voters shall submit the measure as shown on Exhibit A to the electorate in a mailed ballot election to be held on November 5, 2024.
3. The tax as shown on Exhibit A, if approved, shall appear as a separate item on the tax bill of each affected parcel and shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as county ad valorem property taxes are collected as set forth in the applicable provisions of the Revenue and Taxation Code, and shall be subject to the same penalties and the same procedure and sale in case of delinquency as provided for such taxes. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes shall be applicable to the tax.
4. The special tax is subject to the accountability measures required by State Law, including Government Code sections 50075.1.
5. Notification shall be provided of the special tax increase, if approved, to each non-resident property owner within the zone boundaries, in accordance with the requirements of Government Code section 54930.
6. The special tax amount shown on Exhibit A shall take effect and be imposed only if it is approved by a two-thirds majority of the votes cast on the measure in the election to be conducted on November 5, 2024.

"Shall the measure to levy an annual special tax in an amount of \$350.00 on each parcel of land within the Cavalry Meadows Zone of Benefit commencing fiscal year 2025/2026 and continuing for an unlimited duration, to be used only for drainage maintenance and generating an annual revenue of approximately \$3,850.00, to replace the current benefit assessment of \$110, be adopted?"

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE L

Measure L (the "Measure"), if approved by two-thirds of the voters voting thereon, would authorize the levy of a special tax at the rate of \$350 per parcel (whether improved or unimproved) per year within the Cavalry Meadows Zone of Benefit #98379 of County Service Area 9 (the "Zone"). This Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado pursuant to Resolution No. 093-2024, which was passed at an official meeting of the Board of Supervisors on June 11, 2024.

If the Measure is approved, it would authorize the levy of a special tax of \$350 per parcel per year, replacing an existing benefit assessment of \$110 per parcel per year. The special tax will be used solely for the purpose of drainage maintenance within the Zone. It would become effective in Fiscal Year 2025/2026 and remain in effect until modified or repealed by the voters. The special tax authorized by this Measure is expected to generate total revenue of approximately \$3,850 per year. If the Measure is not approved, the existing benefit assessment of \$110 per parcel per year will remain in effect.

State law requires the proceeds from the special tax be applied only to the identified purposes and that an annual report be made indicating the amount of funds collected and expended and the status of any project required or authorized to be funded by the proceeds.

The special tax authorized by this Measure will be listed as a separate item on the county property tax bill for each affected parcel of land and will be collected in the same manner as the general property tax. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes, including the provisions for penalties and the procedures for sale of the property in case of delinquency, shall also apply to the special tax.

A "YES" vote is a vote to authorize the levy of an annual special tax in the Cavalry Meadows Zone of Benefit in an amount of \$350 per parcel, as provided in the Measure.

A "NO" vote is a vote against the levy of the special tax.

David A. Livingston, El Dorado County County Counsel

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST FILED

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE M

RESOLUTION NO. **094-2024** OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

SETTING FOR MAILED BALLOT ELECTION A MEASURE TO IMPOSE A SPECIAL TAX FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR THE SUNDOWN ESTATES DRAINAGE ZONE OF BENEFIT #98378 WITHIN COUNTY SERVICE AREA #9

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado formed County Service Area (CSA) No. 9 pursuant to Title 3, Division 2, Part 2, Chapter 2.2 of the California Government Code and established zones of benefit within CSA No. 9; and

WHEREAS, this Board formed the Cavalry Meadows Drainage Zone of Benefit No. 98378 on January 8, 1991 by Resolution 12-91 for the purposes of providing drainage maintenance services; and

WHEREAS, the extended services provided within CSA No. 9 zones are authorized services pursuant to Government Code section 25213; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code section 25215.2, together with section 25217.4, expressly authorizes a zone within a county service area to levy a special tax for drainage maintenance services subject to voter approval; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California State Law, the Board of Supervisors is required to place before the electorate the approval of the measure as shown on Exhibit A before the special tax can be levied, or increased over the amount previously approved by the electorate; and

WHEREAS, the County Registrar of Voters has determined that eighteen (18) registered voters reside within the zone of benefit boundaries; and

WHEREAS, such special tax amount increase shall take effect only if approved by a two-thirds majority of the voters casting a ballot in the special tax ballot proceeding; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation has determined an annual special tax amount of \$350.00 for each parcel of land, whether it is improved or unimproved regardless of use, is reasonable and sufficient to provide drainage maintenance services within the zone of benefit for the fiscal year 2025/2026, and thereafter; and

WHEREAS, if the measure as shown on Exhibit A does not pass, the existing assessment of \$100.00 shall remain in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that:

1. The measure shown on Exhibit A shall be submitted to the voters of the Sundown Estates Zone of Benefit 98378 within County Service Area 9.
2. The El Dorado County Registrar of Voters shall submit the measure as shown on Exhibit A to the electorate in a mailed ballot election to be held on November 5, 2024.
3. The tax as shown on Exhibit A, if approved, shall appear as a separate item on the tax bill of each affected parcel and shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as county ad valorem property taxes are collected as set forth in the applicable provisions of the Revenue and Taxation Code, and shall be subject to the same penalties and the same procedure and sale in case of delinquency as provided for such taxes. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes shall be applicable to the tax.
4. The special tax is subject to the accountability measures required by State Law, including Government Code sections 50075.1.
5. Notification shall be provided of the special tax increase, if approved, to each non-resident property owner within the zone boundaries, in accordance with the requirements of Government Code section 54930.
6. The special tax amount shown on Exhibit A shall take effect and be imposed only if it is approved by a two-thirds majority of the votes cast on the measure in the election to be conducted on November 5, 2024.

"Shall the measure to levy an annual special tax in an amount of \$350.00 on each parcel of land within the Sundown Estates Zone of Benefit commencing fiscal year 2025/2026 and continuing for an unlimited duration, to be used only for drainage maintenance and generating an annual revenue of approximately \$3,500.00, to replace the current benefit assessment of \$100, be adopted?"

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE M

Measure M (the "Measure"), if approved by two-thirds of the voters voting thereon, would authorize the levy of a special tax at the rate of \$350 per parcel (whether improved or unimproved) per year within the Sundown Estates Zone of Benefit #98378 of County Service Area 9 (the "Zone"). This Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado pursuant to Resolution No. 094-2024, which was passed at an official meeting of the Board of Supervisors on June 11, 2024.

If the Measure is approved, it would authorize the levy of a special tax of \$350 per parcel per year, replacing an existing benefit assessment of \$100 per parcel per year. The special tax will be used solely for the purpose of drainage maintenance within the Zone. It would become effective in Fiscal Year 2025/2026 and remain in effect until modified or repealed by the voters. The special tax authorized by this Measure is expected to generate total revenue of approximately \$3,500 per year. If the Measure is not approved, the existing benefit assessment of \$100 per parcel per year will remain in effect.

State law requires the proceeds from the special tax be applied only to the identified purposes and that an annual report be made indicating the amount of funds collected and expended and the status of any project required or authorized to be funded by the proceeds.

The special tax authorized by this Measure will be listed as a separate item on the county property tax bill for each affected parcel of land and will be collected in the same manner as the general property tax. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes, including the provisions for penalties and the procedures for sale of the property in case of delinquency, shall also apply to the special tax.

A "YES" vote is a vote to authorize the levy of an annual special tax in the Sundown Estates Zone of Benefit in an amount of \$350 per parcel, as provided in the Measure.

A "NO" vote is a vote against the levy of the special tax.

David A. Livingston, El Dorado County County Counsel

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST FILED

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE N

The people of the City of South Lake Tahoe do ordain as follows:

Section 1. Title

This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "City of South Lake Tahoe Residential Vacancy Tax Ordinance."

Section 2. Findings and Declarations

The People of the City of South Lake Tahoe find and declare as follows:

- A. Residential vacancies are an increasing concern in South Lake Tahoe.
- B. The 2022 American Community Survey (ACS) census indicates 7,150 out of 16,275 total housing units in the City of South Lake Tahoe are vacant. These vacant homes now account for approximately 44 percent of the total housing supply in South Lake Tahoe, up from approximately 33 percent in 2000.
- C. The increase in vacant units has reduced available housing, contributing to a shrinking population, shortage of local workers, decline in school enrollment, and rising housing costs. Median home prices in the area have more than doubled since 2013. Approximately half of workers in the Tahoe area now live outside the region, and of those who do live here, nearly two-thirds do not earn enough to afford the living expenses of a typical family.
- D. The housing affordability crisis has created an urgent need to fund additional services and programs including, but not limited to, construction of new affordable housing, housing acquisition and renovation, rental/deposit assistance programs, and homeowner assistance programs.
- E. Existing funding from City, County, State, and Federal resources has been insufficient to meet the community's current housing needs. The City currently has a growing waitlist of over 1,000 residents seeking affordable housing, and will need an additional 3,290 housing units to house the local workforce by 2026.
- F. The City's current transportation infrastructure is failing to meet the needs of the community and the environment. The City's Public Works department has cited the need for \$500 million to resolve existing deferred maintenance to the City's roads, stormwater, and critical infrastructure. Additionally, the City will require significant funding to expand and improve public transit for the local workforce and community.
- G. The City has identified the need to establish a local discretionary funding source to establish sufficient housing, road repair, and transit in the City of South Lake Tahoe's adopted 2023-2028 Strategic Plan.
- H. The Vacancy Tax establishes a local discretionary funding source for housing, road repair and transit, as outlined by the City's Strategic Plan.
- I. The Vacancy Tax introduces an annual fee for residential housing units that sit vacant for the majority of the year, with exemptions and exclusion periods for properties under renovation, elderly residents in care facilities, wildland firefighters, and active-duty military, among others. If a home is partially or fully occupied by an owner, tenant, or guest for more than 182 days throughout the year, no tax will be owed.
- J. The Vacancy Tax is projected to generate more revenue than any other new funding source evaluated by the City by a significant margin, and could become the City's single largest revenue source.
- K. The taxes imposed under this ordinance are to be used solely for the purpose of funding the creation and operation of local housing, road infrastructure, transit infrastructure and operations, and related programs, described below. Because the proceeds of the Tax will be deposited into a special fund restricted for the services and programs specified in this Ordinance, the Tax is a special tax.
- L. The Vacancy Tax addresses the City's most pressing needs by simultaneously generating funds, adding available housing units, encouraging the active use of vacant property, and discouraging the loss of more housing units to vacancy, thereby promoting a healthy residential community and local economy.

Section 3. City of South Lake Tahoe Residential Vacancy Tax Ordinance

Chapter 3.60 is added to the City of South Lake Tahoe City Code to read as follows:

Chapter 3.60: Residential Vacancy Tax

Section 3.60.010 Definitions

Unless otherwise defined in this Chapter, the terms in this Chapter shall have the meanings given to them in Chapter 3 of the City Code, as amended from time to time. For purposes of this Chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

- A. "Act" means the City of South Lake Tahoe Residential Vacancy Tax Ordinance.
- B. "City" means the City of South Lake Tahoe.
- C. "City Council" means the City Council of the City of South Lake Tahoe.
- D. "Residential Unit" means a house, an apartment, a group of rooms, or a single room that is designed as separate living quarters. Separate living quarters are those in which the occupants live and eat separately from any other persons in the building and which have a kitchen and direct access from the outside of the building or through a common hall. For purposes of this Chapter, a Residential Unit shall not include:
 - 1. A unit in a hotel, as defined below:
 - (a) Any lodging house, dwelling, motel, hotel, condo-hotel, inn, bed and breakfast, or other building or structure or portion thereof, maintained, advertised, or otherwise held out to the public in any manner as a place where sleeping, rooming, or any other type of visitor accommodations are furnished to transients, composed either in whole or in part of members of the public, whether with or without meals.
 - (b) Vacation home rentals and time-sharing arrangements are not hotels for purposes of this Chapter.
 - 2. An Accessory Dwelling Unit or Junior Accessory Dwelling Unit, as defined in City Code Chapter 6.85.050.
 - 3. A unit in a currently operational nursing home, residential care facility, or other similar facility.
 - 4. Any unit that is fully exempt from property tax under the welfare exemption under section 214(g) of the California Revenue and Taxation Code, as may be amended from time to time.
- F. "Tax" means the Residential Vacancy Tax imposed by section 3.60.020.
- G. "Vacant" means unoccupied by any natural person for more than 182 days, whether consecutive or nonconsecutive, within a given calendar year, except for the Exclusion Periods defined in section 3.60.030.

Section 3.60.020 Imposition of Tax

- A. Except as otherwise provided in this Chapter, the City imposes an annual Residential Vacancy Tax on each person who owns a Residential Unit if that Residential Unit is Vacant.
- B. The Residential Vacancy Tax on an owner of a Vacant Residential Unit shall be as follows:
 - 1. For the first calendar year that the Residential Unit is Vacant, the tax shall be \$3,000 per Residential Unit;
 - 2. For the second consecutive calendar year and each subsequent consecutive calendar year thereafter that the Residential Unit is Vacant, the tax shall be \$6,000 per Residential Unit.
- C. The Residential Vacancy Tax shall take effect on January 1, 2026.
- D. The rates set forth in subsection B shall be adjusted annually, beginning in 2027, in accordance with the increase in the Consumer Price Index: All Urban Consumers, or appropriate alternative or successor Consumer Price Index chosen by the City Manager or their designee, as reported by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, for October of the year preceding the subject year. The City shall publish the adjusted tax rates for the subject year no later than December 31 of the preceding year.
- E. The Residential Vacancy Tax shall be payable by the person who owns the Vacant Residential Unit. Not more than one tax per Residential Unit shall be imposed under this section for a calendar year by reason of multiple liable owners. If there are multiple liable owners, each owner shall be jointly and severally liable for the Tax, which shall be the highest amount of tax payable by any owner for that Residential Unit for that calendar year.
- F. In determining whether a Residential Unit is Vacant during a calendar year, days within any Vacancy Exclusion Period shall be counted as if occupied if that Vacancy Exclusion Period applies to an owner or tenant of that Residential Unit, as shall days in which the Residential Unit was not owned by the owner.

Section 3.60.030 Vacancy Exclusion Period

In determining whether a Residential Unit is Vacant during a calendar year, days within any Vacancy Exclusion Period shall be counted as if occupied if that Vacancy Exclusion Period applies to an owner or tenant of that Residential Unit.

Vacancy Exclusion Period means any of the following:

- A. Care Period. The period during which a Residential Unit is unoccupied because the occupant of the Residential Unit who uses that Residential Unit as their principal residence is staying

in a hospital, long term or supportive care facility, medical care or treatment facility, or other similar facility.

- B. Civilian Service Period. The period during which a Residential Unit is unoccupied because an occupant of the Residential Unit who uses that Residential Unit as their principal residence is serving as a firefighter or other emergency service worker.
- C. Disaster Period. The three-year period following the date that a Residential Unit was made uninhabitable or unusable due to fire, natural disaster, or other catastrophic event, except where a negligent, reckless or willful act or omission by the owner or agent of the owner contributed to or caused the Residential Unit to become uninhabitable or unusable due to fire, natural disaster, or other catastrophic event.
- D. Emergency Period. The declared period during which the City Council, by a two-thirds vote of the City Council, finds that a declared emergency has undermined the ability of owners to fill vacancies in their Residential Units. Such a period shall last for no more than 60 days from its enactment by the City Council, but may be extended by 60-day increments, on or before its expiration, by a two-thirds vote of the City Council, for a total of no more than one year, so long as the emergency continues and the required findings continue to be made.
- E. Military Service Period. The period during which a Residential Unit is unoccupied because an occupant of the Residential Unit who uses that Residential Unit as their principal residence is serving in the Military.
- F. Owner Death Period. The period, with respect to a co-owner or decedent's estate, heirs, or beneficiaries, during which a Residential Unit is unoccupied because of the death of any owner of a Residential Unit who was the sole occupant of that Residential Unit immediately prior to such owner's death, provided that such period shall not exceed the longer of two years or the period during which the Residential Unit is subject to the authority of a probate court.
- G. Rehabilitation Period. The period of active renovation or construction of a Residential Unit, for which a building permit was issued, and for which the City Manager or their designee determines, by way of documentation submitted by an owner, reasonably negatively impacted the habitability of that unit for a duration of time that the City Manager or their designee determines was reasonable for the permitted renovation or construction.

Section 3.60.040 Exemptions

- A. For only so long as and to the extent that the City is prohibited by the Constitution or laws of the State of California or the Constitution or laws of the United States from imposing the Residential Vacancy Tax on any person, that person shall be exempt from the Residential Vacancy Tax.
- B. Any organization that is exempt from income taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, shall be exempt from the Residential Vacancy Tax.
- C. The federal government, the City, the State of California, and any county, municipal corporation, district, and other political subdivision of the State shall be exempt from the Residential Vacancy Tax, except where any constitutional or statutory immunity from taxation is waived or is not applicable.
- D. Any Residential Unit on a parcel accessed by a road subject to seasonal winter road closures, or for which year-round access to the Residential Unit is otherwise seasonally restricted by agreement with a local, state, or federal government or government agency, or by a deed restriction that existed prior to January 1, 2024, shall be exempted from the Residential Vacancy Tax. The City Manager or their designee shall prescribe a manner for owners of Residential Units to claim this exemption.
- E. Any Residential Unit that lacks suitable insulation or heating for winter habitability as of January 1, 2024 shall be exempted from the Residential Vacancy Tax. The City Manager or their designee shall prescribe a manner for owners of Residential Units to claim this exemption, which shall include an inspection of the Residential Unit. The City may charge a reasonable fee for this inspection. New Residential Units that are constructed without suitable insulation or heating for winter habitability, or existing Residential Units that are altered to remove suitable insulation or heating for winter habitability, after January 1, 2024, shall not be exempted from the Residential Vacancy Tax.

Section 3.60.050 Declaration of Occupancy & Returns

- A. Vacancy Tax Due Date. The City Manager or their designee shall specify a Vacancy Tax Due Date, not to exceed six (6) months from the end of the subject year. The City Manager or their designee shall publish the Vacancy Tax Due Date no later than December 31 of the year preceding the subject year.

- B. Declaration of Occupancy. Every owner of a residential unit, or a representative authorized to act on their behalf, shall file an annual Declaration of Occupancy with the City.
1. The City Manager or their designee shall prescribe the means and manner for submitting an annual Declaration of Occupancy for a Residential Unit, that shall include, but are not limited to, the following components:
 - (a) A means to declare the Residential Unit as Vacant, or not Vacant, or subject to an Exemption, and which may include the submission of supporting documentation;
 - (b) A website or online portal which explains the Tax and allows electronic submission of the Declaration of Occupancy; and
 - (c) A paper declaration form which explains the Tax and provides for mail or in-person submission of the Declaration of Occupancy. Paper declaration forms shall be mailed to owners no later than October 31 of the subject year for which the Residential Vacancy Tax is being imposed. The City may allow owners to opt out of receiving paper forms related to this Tax.
 2. All persons who own a Residential Unit, or their agent, or a representative authorized to declare on their behalf, shall submit an annual Declaration of Occupancy, by either electronic submission or paper declaration form, for each Residential Unit owned at any time during a calendar year, on a date specified by the City Manager or their designee and which is no later than the Vacancy Tax Due Date. The City Manager or their designee may elect to waive this requirement for owners who are exempt from the Residential Vacancy Tax with respect to that Residential Unit under Section 3.60.040.
 3. Any person who fails to file a Declaration of Occupancy, as required by this Section for a Residential Unit, shall be presumed to have kept that Residential Unit Vacant for the calendar year for which the Declaration is required.
 4. Any owner who submits a Declaration of Occupancy less than twelve (12) months late, and which declares the Residential Unit as not Vacant, or subject to an Exemption, shall have the Tax and any associated penalties and interest waived, but the owner shall pay a Late Fee as defined in section 3.60.070.
 5. Any person who fails to file the required Declaration of Occupancy may, at any time, rebut the presumption by producing satisfactory evidence, in a manner prescribed by the City Manager or their designee, that a Residential Unit that they owned was not Vacant during the calendar year for which the Declaration is required. If satisfactory evidence is provided, the Tax and any associated penalties and interest shall be waived, but the owner shall pay a Late Fee as defined in section 3.60.070.
- C. Each person who is required to pay the Residential Vacancy Tax, as outlined in Sections 3.60.020 to 3.60.040, shall file a return, along with a payment of the tax, in the form and manner prescribed by the City Manager or their designee. The return shall be submitted by the owner, their agent, or a representative authorized to file on their behalf, for each Residential Unit owned, no later than the Vacancy Tax Due Date. The Declaration of Occupancy and return may be combined into a single form to be submitted electronically, by mail, or in-person.

Section 3.60.060 Administration of the Residential Vacancy Tax

- A. The City Manager or their designee shall enforce the provisions of this Chapter and may prescribe, adopt, and enforce rules and regulations relating to the administration and enforcement of this Chapter.
- B. Audits. The City Manager or their designee shall establish reasonable processes for auditing Residential Units to verify an associated return or Declaration of Occupancy and for owners to provide any supporting documentation as may be required to make a determination of vacancy. Audits may take place at any time for up to five (5) years after the applicable calendar year.
- C. Any Residential Vacancy Tax owed is delinquent if not received by the City on or before the Vacancy Tax Due Date.

Section 3.60.070 Failure to Remit Tax - Penalties and Fees

- A. Late Fee. Any owner who submits a return or Declaration of Occupancy late, shall pay a late fee not less than \$35.
- B. Delinquency penalty. Any owner who fails to remit any delinquent remittance on or before a period of 30 days following the date on which the remittance first became delinquent shall pay a delinquency penalty of 10 percent of the amount of the Residential Vacancy Tax.
- C. False Declaration. For each subject year within the preceding five (5) years, if the City Manager or their designee determines that:

1. A Residential Unit was Vacant for that subject year; and
 2. The Tax was not paid in full for that subject year; and
 3. A false statement was made on a Declaration of Occupancy for that subject year then a penalty of no less than 100 percent of the amount owed, exclusive of fees, interest, and penalties, shall be added thereto in addition to the penalties imposed in this section.
- D. Repeated False Declaration. The City Manager or their designee may specify an increased penalty for owners who make repeated False Declarations.
- E. Transactions with the principal purpose of avoiding or evading all or a portion of the Residential Vacancy Tax shall be disregarded for purposes of determining the amount of the Residential Vacancy Tax and whether the Residential Vacancy Tax is due. Any owner determined to have engaged in one or more transactions with the principal purpose of avoiding or evading all or a portion of the Residential Vacancy Tax shall be liable for the Residential Vacancy Tax and also liable for a penalty in an amount not less than the Residential Vacancy Tax.
- F. Charge for Audits and Collection of Attorney's Fees. A reasonable fee equal to the City's costs for the audit of a Declaration of Occupancy, shall be charged to the owner of the Residential Unit where unpaid taxes are discovered as a result of the audit. If the City is the prevailing party in litigation filed to collect taxes, penalties, and/or interest due under this chapter, the City shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorney's fees and costs.
- G. Interest. In addition to the penalties imposed, any owner who fails to remit any tax imposed by this Chapter shall pay interest at the rate of one and one-half percent per month or fraction thereof on the amount of the tax, inclusive of penalties, from the date on which the remittance first became delinquent until paid.
- H. Penalties Merged with Tax. Every penalty imposed and such interest as accrued under the provisions of this section shall become a part of the tax required to be paid.
- I. Any tax required to be paid by an owner under the provisions of this Chapter shall be deemed a debt owed by the owner to the City. Any person owing money to the City under the provisions of this Chapter shall be liable to an action brought in the name of the City for the recovery of such amount, along with any collection costs incurred by the City as a result of the person's noncompliance with this Chapter, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees, plus interest and penalties as herein provided.

Section 3.60.080 Appeals

A person who owns a Residential Unit may, within fifteen (15) days of notification of an adverse decision by the City Manager or their designee under this Chapter, file with the City Clerk a written notice of appeal pursuant to the procedures described in Section 2.35 of the City Code.

Section 3.60.090 Residential Vacancy Tax Fund

There is hereby established in the Treasury of the City of South Lake Tahoe a special fund entitled the Residential Vacancy Tax Fund. All revenues generated by the Residential Vacancy Tax, together with any interest and penalties, shall be collected each fiscal year and deposited into the Fund. Revenues in the Fund shall be used exclusively to carry out the purposes of this Act as specified in Section 3.60.100.

Section 3.60.100 Use of Residential Vacancy Tax Ordinance Revenue

Monies in the Residential Vacancy Tax Fund may be used for the following purposes:

- A. Housing purposes:
1. The construction of housing within the City of South Lake Tahoe;
 2. The purchase of property within the City of South Lake Tahoe for the purposes of creating new housing opportunities;
 3. Paying property owners to add deed restrictions to property within the City of South Lake Tahoe;
 4. The purchase of property containing existing housing within the City of South Lake Tahoe for the purpose of continuing its operation;
 5. The renovation, maintenance, expansion, or operation of housing units, including rehabilitation loan programs;
 6. Housing assistance programs, including but not limited to rental subsidies, security deposit assistance programs, and home buyer assistance programs;
 7. Housing incentive programs, including but not limited to, property developer incentive programs, and landlord incentive programs;
 8. Housing support services, including but not limited to, housing issues hotlines, legal aid, and fair housing programs; and
 9. Enforcement of allowed uses of residential properties.

- B. The City Council shall establish eligibility standards for each housing expenditure made under paragraphs 1 through 7 of subdivision A based on one or more of the following factors:
 - 1. Occupant or household income;
 - 2. Occupant or household wealth;
 - 3. Occupant geographic employment;
 - 4. Occupant disability;
 - 5. Previous occupancy in government-subsidized housing;
 - 6. Previous occupancy in housing with eligibility standards based on wealth, income, disability, or geographic employment; or
 - 7. Prohibition on the property from becoming Vacant.
- C. Roadworks and related infrastructure purposes:
 - 1. The repair, maintenance, replacement, or new construction of road infrastructure within the City of South Lake Tahoe;
 - 2. The repair, maintenance, replacement, or new construction of bicycle or multi-use paths within the City of South Lake Tahoe; and
 - 3. The repair, maintenance, replacement, or new construction of infrastructure related to the management of stormwater as defined in section 7.15.030 of the City Code.
- D. Transit projects and related infrastructure purposes:
 - 1. The operational or capital equipment costs of public transit services, including but not limited to transit vehicles, transit related personnel, or transit related contract services, which operate within the City of South Lake Tahoe and which may additionally serve destinations outside of the City of South Lake Tahoe; and
 - 2. The repair, maintenance, replacement, or new construction of public transit infrastructure, including but not limited to bus or rail infrastructure, within the City of South Lake Tahoe.
- E. Reimbursing the City for the administrative costs of establishing the program for collecting the Residential Vacancy Tax, as well as all continuing costs of administering the Tax. Administrative costs include, but are not limited to costs associated with:
 - 1. Independent third-party audits of the use of monies in the Fund;
 - 2. Monitoring and enforcing compliance with this Chapter;
 - 3. Developing ordinances and regulations to implement this Chapter;
 - 4. Collecting the Tax;
 - 5. Public communications relating to the Tax; and
 - 6. Any legal defense of this Chapter.
- F. Held in reserve and accumulated for spending in subsequent years for purposes listed in this section.

Section 3.60.110 Vacancy Tax Oversight Committee

- A. The Vacancy Tax Oversight Committee is hereby established for community oversight of the Tax, to review expenditures and appropriations of the Tax revenue, to recommend new expenditures, and to make recommendations to the City to improve the implementation, compliance, and enforcement of the Tax.
- B. The Committee shall consist of at least five (5) members who are all residents of the City, and appointed by City Council. Members of the Committee shall serve a term of four years, and no member may serve more than two consecutive four-year terms. A member's position shall become vacant upon their death, resignation, or removal by the Council. In the case of such a vacancy, the Council shall appoint a successor to fill the unexpired term, subject to the approval of the majority of the Council.
- C. A quorum of the Committee shall never be fewer than three (3) members. If there are vacancies on the Committee due to a lack of applicants, or the failure to appoint members, the Committee may operate with three (3) members.
- D. The City Manager or designee shall provide clerical assistance, administrative support, and technical assistance to the Committee and may be present at the Committee meetings, or may send a designee.
- E. The Committee may convene community meetings to solicit community testimony and other input to build trust between the community, neighborhoods, and the City, and to address other similar and relevant subjects as determined by the Committee within its jurisdiction.

Section 3.60.120 Legal Defense

- A. If this Act is approved by the voters of the City of South Lake Tahoe and thereafter subjected to a legal challenge, the City Attorney or appointed independent counsel shall, to the best of their abilities, faithfully defend this Chapter against any litigation and until all reasonable

appeal options are exhausted. Costs associated with any defense of this Chapter may be reimbursed from monies in the Fund.

- B. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the proponents of this Act from intervening to defend this Act.

Section 3.60.130 Annual Reports

Beginning in 2025, the City Manager shall file annually with the Council a report on the implementation, auditing, and enforcement of the Tax.

Section 3.60.140 Authorization and Limitation on Issuance of Bonds

The City shall be authorized to pledge revenues generated by the Residential Vacancy Tax to the repayment of limited tax bonds or other forms of indebtedness authorized under this section. The Council shall by ordinance or resolution, as applicable, establish the terms of any limited tax bonds or other forms of indebtedness authorized hereby, including but not limited to, the amount of the issue, date, covenants, denominations, interest rate or rates, maturity or maturities, redemption rights, tax status, manner of sale, and such other particulars as are necessary or desirable.

Section 3.60.150 Severability

If any word, phrase, sentence, part, section, subsection, or other portion of this ordinance, or any application thereof to any person or circumstance is declared void, unconstitutional, or invalid for any reason, then such word, phrase, sentence, part, section, subsection, or other portion, or the prescribed application thereof, shall be severable, and the remaining provisions of this Chapter, and all applications thereof, not having been declared void, unconstitutional or invalid, shall remain in full force and effect. The People of the City of South Lake Tahoe hereby declare that they would have passed this ordinance, and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases had been declared invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 3.60.160 Savings Clause

No section, clause, part, or provision of this Chapter shall be construed as requiring the payment of any tax that would be in violation of the Constitution or laws of the United States or of the Constitution or laws of the State of California.

Section 3.60.170 Liberal Construction

This Chapter shall be liberally construed to effectuate its purpose.

Section 4. Increase Appropriations Limit

Pursuant to California Constitution Article XIII B and applicable laws, for four years from November 5, 2024, the appropriations limit for the City shall be increased by the aggregate sum collected by the levy of the special tax imposed under this ordinance.

Section 5. Amendments

The City Council may, by majority vote of the entire City Council, amend this Chapter in furtherance of the purposes of the Act, to increase penalties and fees, reduce the applicability of Vacancy Exclusion Periods, reduce the applicability of Exemptions, or to correct ambiguities or errors in language, provided that such amendments do not decrease the dollar amounts of the tax, penalties, or fees.

The City Council may, by two-thirds vote of the entire City Council, amend this chapter, in furtherance of the purposes of the Act, to add new Vacancy Exclusion Periods or Exemptions.

Section 6. Effective Date

This Ordinance, and all the provisions hereof, shall become effective only upon affirmative passage by a fifty (50) percent plus one (1) majority of the voters voting on the Ordinance. This Ordinance shall be considered adopted on the date that the City declares the results of the election at which it was voted upon and shall be effective ten (10) days thereafter.

the ballot label for the proposed Citizen's Initiative Measure shall be submitted for a "Yes" or "No" vote as follows:

"Shall the measure to tax property owners who keep nonexempt residential units in the City of South Lake Tahoe vacant more than 182 days/year, \$3,000/unit for the first year of vacancy and \$6,000/unit for subsequent consecutive years, subject to CPI adjustment, with exceptions, generating between \$10,000,000 to \$20,000,000 annually until ended by voters, to be used only for housing, roadworks, transit, and administrative and legal costs, with administration overseen by oversight committee, be adopted?"

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE N

If approved by voters, Measure N would add Chapter 3.60 to the South Lake Tahoe City Code, establishing an excise tax on owners of residential units that are vacant more than 182 days within a calendar year. The tax would apply to residential units including houses, apartments, and one or more rooms consisting of separate living quarters, but not to hotel rooms used for transient occupancy, accessory dwelling units, rooms in nursing homes, units owned by nonprofits or governmental agencies, or units not usable in the winter season.

Units would not be considered vacant when an occupant using the unit as their principal residence is hospitalized or absent while serving as a firefighter, emergency service worker, or in the military, when the residential unit is uninhabitable because of natural disaster, renovation, or construction, or because of the death of the owner who was the sole occupant, or during a declared emergency.

Beginning on 1/1/2026, annual tax rates would be established, subject to an annual CPI adjustment:

- \$3,000 per vacant residential unit for the first year of vacancy
- \$6,000 per vacant residential unit for the second consecutive calendar year and each subsequent consecutive calendar year thereafter of vacancy

This measure would require every owner of a residential unit to submit an annual declaration of occupancy. The City would be required to establish a process to annually audit residential units to confirm occupancy. Making a false declaration would result in a penalty of at least 100 percent of the tax owed in addition to other penalties and interest.

This is a special tax, as the use of the tax revenue would be restricted to specified purposes, including for repayment of bonds or other debt for the specified purposes:

- (1) Housing purposes including constructing, purchasing, and operating housing properties and housing assistance, subsidy, and incentive programs;
- (2) Roadworks and related infrastructure programs including construction, repair, maintenance, and replacement of roads, bicycle and multi-use paths, and stormwater infrastructure;
- (3) Transit and related infrastructure purposes including bus and rail infrastructure within the City and operational and capital equipment costs of public transit services to serve areas within and outside the City; and
- (4) City costs of administering the tax and any legal defense of the measure.

The City's Elections Code 9212 Impact Report estimates annual revenue of \$10-\$20 million after the first year.

A five-member Vacancy Tax Oversight Committee would be established to oversee the administration of the tax and make recommendations to City Council. The measure would authorize the City to adopt rules and regulations for the implementation and administration of the tax, and would allow the City Council to amend Chapter 3.60 by majority vote to increase penalties and fees, or by two-thirds vote to add new exemptions.

There is a pending lawsuit against a similar measure in San Francisco. As of 8/9/2024, the trial court has not yet ruled on the merits.

Measure N was placed on the ballot by voter petition. Measure N requires a simple majority vote to pass.

Heather L. Stroud, City Attorney

ANÁLISIS IMPARCIAL DE LA INICIATIVA DE LEY N

De ser aprobada por los votantes, la Iniciativa de Ley N agregaría el Capítulo 3.60 al Código de la Ciudad de South Lake Tahoe, lo que establecería un impuesto especial a los propietarios de unidades residenciales que estén vacantes más de 182 días dentro de un año calendario. El impuesto aplicaría a unidades residenciales incluidas casas, departamentos, y uno o más cuartos que cuenten con zonas separadas de vivienda, pero no a cuartos de hotel utilizados para ocupaciones transitorias, unidades de vivienda accesorias, cuartos en asilos, unidades propiedad de agencias gubernamentales o sin fines de lucro, o unidades que no se pueden usar en temporada de invierno.

Las unidades no se considerarían vacantes cuando un ocupante que utiliza la unidad como su residencial principal esté hospitalizado o ausente en su servicio como bombero, trabajador de servicios de emergencia, o en la milicia, cuando la unidad residencial sea inhabitable debido a un desastre natural, una renovación, o una construcción, o debido a la muerte del propietario que hubiera sido su único ocupante, o durante una emergencia declarada.

A partir del 1/1/2026, se establecerían las tasas de impuestos anuales, sujetas a un ajuste del CPI anual:

- \$3,000 por unidad residencial vacante por el primer año desocupada
- \$6,000 por unidad residencial vacante por el segundo año calendario consecutivo y cada año calendario consecutivo subsecuente a partir de que esté desocupada

Esta medida requeriría que todos los propietarios de unidades residenciales enviaran una declaración anual de ocupación. Se requeriría que la Ciudad estableciera un procedimiento para auditar anualmente las unidades residenciales para confirmar la ocupación. Hacer una declaración falsa resultaría en una multa de al menos el 100 por ciento del impuesto adeudado más otras multas e interés.

Este impuesto especial, así como el uso de los ingresos del impuesto estaría restringido para propósitos específicos, incluido el reembolso de bonos u otra deuda de propósitos específicos:

- (1) Propósitos de vivienda incluida la construcción, la compra, y la operación de propiedades de vivienda y asistencia, subsidios y programas de incentivo para vivienda;
- (2) Programas de trabajo de carreteras e infraestructura relacionada incluida la construcción, la reparación, el mantenimiento, y el reemplazo de carreteras, caminos para bicicleta y multiuso, e infraestructura de aguas pluviales;
- (3) Propósitos de circulación e infraestructura relacionada incluida la infraestructura de camiones y vías dentro de la Ciudad y costos de equipo operacional y de capital para que servicios de transporte público brinden servicio en áreas dentro y fuera de la Ciudad; y
- (4) Costos de la Ciudad por la administración del impuesto y cualquier defensa legal de la iniciativa de ley.

El Informe de Impacto de Código Electoral 9212 de la Ciudad estima una ganancia anual de \$10-\$20 millones después del primer año.

Se establecería un Comité de Vigilancia de Impuestos por Vacantes de cinco miembros para vigilar la administración del impuesto y hacer recomendaciones al Concejo de la Ciudad. La iniciativa de ley autorizaría que la Ciudad adoptara reglas y regulaciones para la implementación y administración del impuesto, y permitiría que el Concejo de la Ciudad enmendara el Capítulo 3.60 por una mayoría de votos para aumentar las multas y tarifas, o por dos tercios de los votos agregar nuevas exenciones.

Hay una demanda pendiente en contra de una medida similar en San Francisco. Para el 9 de agosto de 2024, el tribunal de primera instancia no se ha pronunciado sobre el caso.

La Iniciativa de Ley N se agregó en la boleta electoral por petición de los votantes. La Iniciativa de Ley N requiere una simple mayoría de votos para ser aprobada.

Heather L. Stroud, Abogada de la Ciudad

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE N

VOTE FOR A COMMUNITY THAT'S VIBRANT, NOT VACANT

44% of all homes in South Lake Tahoe are **empty most of the year**. The number of vacant second homes is growing, displacing local families, hurting local businesses, depleting school enrollment and budgets, and pricing out teachers, firefighters, and nurses.

YES on N: **FUNDS** HOUSING FOR LOCALS

YES on N: **FUNDS** URGENT ROAD REPAIRS

YES on N: **DOES NOT TAX** LOCAL RESIDENTS OR BUSINESSES

YES on N: **LOWERS** RENTS BY INCREASING SUPPLY

YES on N: Can be spent on HOUSING, ROADS, TRANSIT, & NECESSARY ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS

THERE IS **NO TAX** ON OCCUPIED HOMES

YES on N introduces a tax **ONLY** on UNOCCUPIED homes sitting vacant for more than half the year, to incentivize use of existing housing, while generating tens of millions of dollars each year for **housing, roads, and transit**.

Vacancy taxes are effective and proven to work. Measure N has EXEMPTIONS for non-winterized cabins, renovations, emergencies and disasters, estate transfers, residents in medical care, military, firefighters, and more.

SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES

Independent analysis projected Measure N will bring back 1,500 full-time households, boosting local retail spending by \$27 MILLION every year. Second homeowners benefit from fully-staffed shops and restaurants when they visit, but can't support businesses when they're not here. Measure N creates an economic offset to support a vibrant community.

FIX THE ROADS WITHOUT TAXING LOCALS

At the current pace, it will take 100+ years to fix the roads. Measure N provides dedicated funding **WITHOUT** taxing residents.

We must solve the housing crisis before it gets worse. We don't want to become Aspen or Vail. **Tahoe City already has a 70% vacancy rate!** Vote with local RESIDENTS, not outside special interests.

VOTE FOR VIBRANT, NOT VACANT. VOTE **YES** ON MEASURE N.

Amelia Richmond, South Lake Tahoe Homeowner

Nick Speal, South Lake Tahoe Renter

C.T. Rowe, South Lake Tahoe Homeowner

Kira Richardson, South Lake Tahoe Homeowner

Alicia Halpern, South Lake Tahoe Renter

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE N

(City of South Lake Tahoe Tax on Vacant Residential Property)

Vote No on Measure N!

Measure N is unaccountable, flawed, and will do NOTHING to address housing affordability in South Lake Tahoe but EVERYTHING to create many other problems.

No Money for Affordable Housing

Measure N has no guarantee to provide one penny for affordable housing programs. It can't promise to create one new affordable home.

How? Because in Measure N, housing funding is optional. All the authority is given to Councilmembers who won't even take office for two years.

Huge New Bureaucracy

Measure N means a huge new system to track the occupancy of 16,000 homes. Some city officials believe they'd need tens of millions of dollars to manage the bureaucracy.

The cost of compliance could exceed the revenue from the tax!

Taxpayers start paying the costs next year to set it all up, but the new taxes don't arrive until 2027.

Current programs like public safety, parks, road repair, and even housing could be cut, or we'd go into debt, to fund the startup.

Major Invasion of Privacy

Under Measure N, every homeowner and renter in South Lake Tahoe is PRESUMED GUILTY until you PROVE to the City you occupied your home. They're not telling us what records they'll demand as proof. You'll have to file EVERY YEAR.

Renters aren't exempt. Landlords must monitor their tenants for compliance, invading their privacy. Everyone must keep records for five years in case you're audited.

No Accountability

Finally, there's no accountability the new taxes will be spent well. A City Council we haven't elected yet has all the authority, and the so-called "Oversight Committee" has no power.

Yes on Housing, No on Measure N!

South Lake Tahoe is already doing a lot to bring more affordable housing. We don't need Measure N and all its problems.

Get the facts at www.StopMeasureN.com.

Vote No on Measure N!

Tamara Wallace, City Council Member, City of South Lake Tahoe
Jake Herminghaus, President, South Lake Tahoe Police Officers Association
Wendy David, Former Mayor, City of South Lake Tahoe
Brennan Touryan, President, South Tahoe Restaurant Association
Rob Giustina, Promoter, Live at Lakeview

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE N

Don't believe the **hype** and **false promises**.

Vote NO on Measure N – the massive tax on homes that could **hurt every renter and homeowner** in South Lake Tahoe.

We all want more affordable housing in our community. Measure N is not the answer.

HERE'S THE FACTS ABOUT MEASURE N

- Measure N doesn't guarantee one dollar for housing programs in South Tahoe. **Not one.**
- Measure N assumes every home – owned or rented – is **GUILTY** of being vacant and requires **YOU** to prove it was occupied, **ANNUALLY**, with audits up to five years later.
- Under Measure N, the City will set up a **MASSIVE BUREAUCRACY** to monitor the occupancy of 16,000 homes.
- Setting up and running the bureaucracy will cost **MILLIONS** each year, potentially consuming most of the taxes collected.
- The new bureaucracy will have the power to **INVADE THE PRIVACY** of every homeowner in South Tahoe.
- **Renters beware! Measure N forces your landlord to track you.** A lease isn't enough – your landlord must count how many days you physically occupied your home.
- **Every small business organization in South Tahoe opposes Measure N.**
- **VACANCY TAXES DON'T WORK.** Raising taxes on homes won't lower housing costs. No community with a vacancy tax has seen lower rents.

Finally, if you think Measure N doesn't apply to you, remember that any circumstance in your life – a sick parent to care for, a temporary job assignment away – could trigger the tax.

Get more details at www.StopMeasureN.com and **vote NO on N!**

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REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE N

The opposition, funded by realtors and special interests, are resorting to scare tactics and misinformation because the facts support Measure N.

MEASURE N IS A SPECIAL TAX WITH AN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Funds can be spent on housing, roads, and transit for the community, and necessary administrative costs – not 2nd homes.

MEASURE N IS SUPPORTED BY INDEPENDENT REPORTING

Independent analysis estimated Measure N will restore 1,500 homes to full-time occupancy. **Fewer vacant homes mean fewer vacant jobs.**

7,000+ homes in South Lake Tahoe now sit empty most of the year. Measure N SHIFTS the incentives to use MORE of the housing we already have, even BEFORE a dollar is spent.

ADMIN COSTS ONLY 3% OF REVENUE

The counterargument is filled with baseless claims, like made-up admin costs. The City estimated administration will cost less than 3% of the \$20 MILLION in revenue that Measure N will raise for housing, roads, and transit. Start-up costs will be less than 0.3% of the City's budget, and can be repaid by just two weeks of tax revenue.

MEASURE N DOES NOT TAX LOCALS

Local residents self-declare occupancy and pay no tax.

FILL THE HOUSES, FIX THE ROADS

Opponents say they've already done enough to solve the housing crisis and fix the roads - but we're short 3,290 housing units for the workforce and it will take 100+ years to fix the roads with current funding. **Vote YES ON N for a future that's VIBRANT, NOT VACANT.**

Learn more at VibrantNotVacant.com. **Vote YES on Measure N.**

Seth Howard, South Lake Tahoe Planning Commissioner
Dorothy Dean, Registered Nurse
Sierra Riker, Forest Project Coordinator
Angelique Carl, Nonprofit Program Manager
John Ruiz, U.S. Army Veteran

**FULL TEXT OF MEASURE P
POLLOCK PINES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOVEMBER 5, 2024 GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND MEASURE**

APPENDIX A

**BOND PROPOSITION OF THE POLLOCK PINES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOND AUTHORIZATION**

By approval of this measure by at least 55 percent of the registered voters voting on the measure, the Pollock Pines Elementary School District (the "District") of the County of El Dorado will be authorized to issue and sell general obligation bonds in the aggregate principal of up to \$11,500,000 at interest rates not to exceed legal limits and to provide financing for the specific types of school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List described below, subject to all the accountability requirements imposed by law and specified below.

ACCOUNTABILITY REQUIREMENTS

The provisions in this section are specifically included in this measure in order that the voters and taxpayers in the District may be assured that their money will be spent wisely. Expenditures to address specific facilities needs of the District will be in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3), of the State Constitution and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Education Code Sections 15264 and following.)

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

Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee. Following approval of this measure, the School Board will establish an Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee, under Education Code Sections 15278 and following, to ensure bond proceeds are expended only on the types of school facilities projects listed below. The Oversight Committee will be established within 60 days of the date when the results of the election appear in the minutes of the School Board. No employee or official of the District and no vendor, contractor or consultant of the District shall be appointed to the Oversight Committee.

Performance Audits. The School Board will conduct annual, independent performance audits to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the school facilities projects listed below.

Financial Audits. The School Board will conduct annual, independent financial audits of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent for the school facilities projects listed below.

Government Code Accountability Requirements. As required by Section 53410 of the Government Code, (1) the specific purpose of the bonds is set forth in this Full Text of the Measure, (2) the proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be used only for the purposes specified in this measure, and not for any other purpose, (3) the proceeds of the bonds, when and if issued, will be deposited into a building fund to be held by the El Dorado County Treasurer, as required by the California Education Code, and (4) the Superintendent of the District shall cause an annual report to be filed with the District Board not later than January 1 of each year, which report shall contain information regarding the amount of funds collected and expended, as well as the status of the projects listed in this measure, as required by Sections 53410 and 53411 of the Government Code.

NO TEACHER OR ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES

Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be used only for the purposes specified in Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3), those being for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, and the acquisition or lease of school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries and other school operating expenses.

STATE MATCHING FUNDS

The following statement is included in this measure pursuant to Education Code Section 15122.5: Approval of this measure does not guarantee that each of the proposed projects that are the subject of bonds under this measure will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by this measure. The District's proposal for the project or projects described below may assume or require the receipt of additional funds such as State matching funds, which, if available, could be

subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure. The District intends to pursue State matching funds if they are available.

INFORMATION ABOUT ESTIMATES AND PROJECTIONS INCLUDED IN BALLOT

Voters are informed that any estimates or projections in this bond measure and related ballot materials, including relating to estimated rates of *ad valorem* property taxes, the duration of issued bonds until fully repaid and related levies and collections of *ad valorem* property taxes are provided as informational only. Such amounts are estimates and are not maximum amounts or limitations on the terms of the bonds, the tax rate required to fully amortize the bonds or the duration of the levy supporting repayment of issued bonds. Such estimates depend on numerous variables which are subject to variation and change over the term of the District's overall facilities and bond financing plan, including but not limited to the amount of bonds issued and outstanding at any one time, the interest rates applicable to issued bonds, market conditions at the time of sale of the bonds, when bonds mature, timing of project needs and changes in assessed valuations in the District. While each of the estimates and approximations relating to this bond measure are provided based on information currently available to the District and its current expectations, all such estimates and approximations are not limitations nor maximums on the terms of the bonds nor on the related tax levies. In addition, the abbreviated and condensed statement of the bond measure presented to voters on the ballot label which is subject to a 75-word count limitation imposed by State law does not limit the scope and broader, more complete meaning of the measure provided in this Full Text of Bond Measure and related ballot materials.

BOND PROJECT LIST

Scope of Projects. Bond proceeds will be expended on the construction, modernization, reconstruction, rehabilitation, replacement, or otherwise improve school facilities of the Pollock Pines Elementary School District, including furnishing and equipping, and the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries or other school operating expenses, in compliance with California Constitution Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3).

School Facility Project List. The types of projects authorized to be funded with bond proceeds are set forth below. Specific examples included on this project list of the more general types of projects authorized are not intended to limit the broader types of projects described and authorized by this measure. The projects in the Bond Project List are authorized to be completed at each of the below existing sites as well as at expanded and future sites as shall be approved by the Board of Trustees.

The types of projects authorized pursuant to this measure are:

- Repair or replace leaky and/or deteriorating roofs.
- Replace deteriorating plumbing and septic systems.
- Upgrade playgrounds and playfields for school and community use.
- Replace old windows and outdated HVAC systems to improve energy efficiency.
- Make health, safety and handicapped accessibility improvements.
- Modernize, renovate, repair, expand and/or upgrade the interior and/or exterior of existing classrooms and school facilities (including but not limited to doors, windows, casework, fencing, painting, signage, and railings).
- Improve student access to computers and modern technology.
- Replace temporary portables with new, modular, or permanent classrooms.
- Make security improvements, including fire alarms, fencing, security cameras, and communication systems.
- Update inadequate electrical systems.
- Renovate, upgrade, and modernize student support facilities including outdated restrooms, and multipurpose rooms/gymnasiums and locker rooms.
- Improve student drop-off and pick-up areas to increase student safety.
- Upgrade and replace classroom furniture, equipment and instructional devices.
- Address unforeseen conditions revealed by construction/modernization (such as plumbing or gas line breaks, dry rot, seismic, structural, etc.).
- Remove, repair, and refinish building and site areas damaged by dry rot, water, termites, etc.
- Abate and remove hazardous materials identified prior or during construction.
- Repair, replace and/or upgrade paved surfaces, turf, and other grounds to eliminate safety hazards and improve outside instructional areas.
- Other improvements required to comply with existing building codes, including the Field Act, and handicapped access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

- Necessary preparation/restoration in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, utility lines (such as gas lines, water lines, electrical lines, sewer lines, and communication lines), trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property.
- Rental or construction of storage facilities and other space on an interim basis, as needed to accommodate construction materials, equipment, and personnel, and interim classrooms (including relocatables) for students and school functions or other storage for classroom materials displaced during construction.
- For any project involving rehabilitation or renovation of a building or the major portion of a building, the District shall be authorized to proceed with new construction instead, if the Board of Education determines that replacement and new construction is more economically practical than rehabilitation and renovation, considering the building's age, condition, expected remaining life, and other relevant factors.
- All work necessary and incidental to specific projects described above, including demolition of existing structures, including the further examples provided below.

Furnishing and Equipping; Incidental Expenses. Each of the bond projects described in this Bond Project List include the costs of furnishing and equipping such facilities, and all costs which are incidental but directly related to the types of projects described above.

Examples of incidental costs include, but are not limited to: costs of design, engineering, architect including DSA fees, legal and other professional and consultant services including fees relating to litigation, facilities assessments, inspections, site preparation, utilities, landscaping, construction management by third parties, general contractors and/or District personnel, and other planning and permitting, environmental review, rezoning and municipal license fees if any, legal, accounting and similar costs; independent annual financial and performance audits; a customary construction contingency; demolition and disposal of existing structures; the costs of interim housing and storage during construction including relocation and construction costs incurred relating to interim facilities; rental or construction of storage facilities and other space on an interim basis for materials and other equipment and furnishings displaced during construction; costs of relocating facilities and equipment as needed in connection with the projects; interim classrooms and facilities for students, administrators, and school functions, including modular facilities; all federal, state and locally-mandated safety upgrades; the costs of new or expanded infrastructure; the cost of providing parking and other facilities to accommodate new or expanded facilities; addressing any unforeseen conditions revealed by construction/modernization and other necessary improvements required to comply with existing building codes, including the Field Act; complying with all access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act and similar laws and regulations; costs of the election including other costs arising directly from the bond measure; litigation costs; project construction oversight, management and administration during the duration of such projects including by District personnel, and bond issuance costs.

Alternations to Scope and Nature; New Construction. The School Board is hereby authorized to alter the scope and nature of any of the specific projects described above as required or recommended by new conditions, discoveries or any other factors including economic factors that may become apparent during the course of planning, design and construction. As stated in the Project List, in the event that the School Board determines that a modernization or renovation project is in the best interests of the District and its students to be undertaken as new construction based on certain factors, this bond measure authorizes said project to be undertaken in whole or in part as new construction, including land acquisition, relocation and construction at a new or alternative site, and/or demolition and reconstruction and/or repurposing on the original site, including an expanded site, and all costs relating thereto. In addition, to accomplish any of the projects included on the above list, this measure authorizes the acquisition of real property, including necessary rights of ways or other real property interests.

Interim Financing Included; Joint Use Projects Authorized. In addition, authorized projects include reimbursements for paid project costs and paying and/or prepaying interim or previously obtained financing for the types of projects included on the project list, such as bond anticipation notes or lease financings including certificates of participation relating to facilities projects and/or equipment previously financed. Finally, projects on this list may be undertaken and used as joint use projects with other public agencies.

Unforeseen Circumstances; Limited Funding Sources. Many factors may impact the District's ability to address each of the projects described herein, including but not limited to construction costs, supply chain issues which can cause project delays, labor shortages, unknown environmental factors or site conditions, overall facilities needs and related costs which exceed available bond funding sources, among others. The District is unable to anticipate all circumstances which may prevent some of the projects listed above from being undertaken or completed. Approval of the District's bond measure does not guarantee that all of the identified projects within the Bond Project List will be funded beyond what can be completed with funds generated by this bond measure. The District plans to pursue additional funding such as State matching funds, if available, to address its facilities needs.

Project List Not in Order of Priority; Board Determines Prioritization. The order in which projects are listed in the foregoing Bond Project List does not suggest an order of priority. Project prioritization is vested in and will be determined by the District Board.

Interpretation. The terms of this Bond Measure and the words used in the Bond Project List shall be interpreted broadly to effect the purpose of providing broad and clear authority for the officers and employees of the District to provide for the school facilities projects the District proposes to finance with the proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this proposition within the authority provided by law, including Article XIII A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution, Education Code Section 15000 *et seq.* and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000. Words used in the Project List such as repair, improve, upgrade, expand, modernize, renovate, and reconfigure are used to describe school facilities projects in plain English but are not intended to expand the nature of such projects beyond what is authorized by law. The Bond Project List does not authorize, and shall not be interpreted to authorize, expending proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by this measure for current maintenance, operation or repairs.

Severability. The District Board hereby declares, and the voters by approving this Bond Measure concur, that every section and part of this bond proposition has independent value, and the District Board and the voters would have adopted each provision hereof regardless of every other provision hereof. Upon approval of this measure by the voters, should any part be found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid for any reason, all remaining parts hereof shall remain in full force and effect to the fullest extent allowed by law, and to this end the provisions of this bond measure are severable.

TAX RATE STATEMENT MEASURE P

An election will be held in the Pollock Pines Elementary School District (the "District") on November 5, 2024, to authorize the sale of up to \$11,500,000 in bonds of the District to finance school facilities as described in the measure. If such bonds are authorized and sold, principal and interest on the bonds will be payable only from the proceeds of *ad valorem* tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400-9404 of the Elections Code of the State of California. Such information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District, and other demonstrable factors.

Based upon the foregoing and projections of the District's assessed valuation, the following information is provided:

1. The best estimate of the average annual tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is \$29 per \$100,000. It is currently expected that the final fiscal year in which it is anticipated that the tax will be collected is 2058-59.
2. The best estimate of the highest tax rate that would be required to fund this bond issue, based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, is \$30 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. This rate is projected to apply in fiscal years 2025-26 through 2055-56.
3. The best estimate of the total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is approximately \$24,200,000.

Voters should note the estimated tax rate is based on the assessed value (not market value) of taxable property on the County's official tax rolls. In addition, taxpayers eligible for a property tax exemption, such as the homeowner's exemption, will be taxed at a lower effective tax rate than described above. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills and tax advisors to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

The attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon projections and estimates only, which amounts are not maximum amounts or durations and are not binding upon the District. The actual debt service, tax rates and the years in which they will apply may vary from those used to provide the estimates set forth above, due to factors such as variations in the timing of bond sales, the par amount of bonds sold and market interest rates available at the time of each sale, actual assessed valuations over the term of the bonds, and other factors. The date and amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on the need for project funds and other considerations. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on conditions in the bond market at the time of sale. Actual future assessed valuations will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the El Dorado County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

APPENDIX B

"To improve the quality of education; replace leaky roofs; renovate and modernize outdated classrooms, restrooms and school facilities; replace deteriorating plumbing systems; and make safety and security improvements; shall Pollock Pines Elementary School District's measure be adopted authorizing \$11,500,000 of bonds at legal rates, generating on average \$693,000 annually as long as bonds are outstanding with levies of approximately \$30 per \$100,000 assessed value, with annual audits, independent citizens' oversight, NO money for salaries and all money staying local?"

Bonds - Yes

Bonds - No

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE P

Measure P (the "Measure"), if approved by at least 55% of the registered voters voting thereon, would authorize the Pollock Pines Elementary School District (the "District") to incur bonded indebtedness up to a maximum amount of \$11,500,000. The Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Trustees ("Board") of the District pursuant to Resolution No. 2023-2024-07.

Proceeds from the sale of the bonds authorized by the Measure would be used for the construction, modernization, reconstruction, rehabilitation, replacement, or to otherwise improve the District's school facilities. No funds derived from bond sales may be used for general school operating expenses, including administrator and teacher salaries, or for any purpose other than those expressly stated in the Measure. The full text of the Measure lists the types of school facility improvement projects within the District intended to be financed by bond sales.

The Measure provides that the Board shall conduct annual independent performance and financial audits and shall appoint an independent Citizens' Oversight Committee to ensure that bond proceeds are spent only as specified in the Measure and as provided by law. Bond proceeds shall be deposited in a special fund and an annual report shall be made to the Board of the amount of funds collected and expended and the status of projects.

The maturity date and maximum rate of interest on any bond shall not exceed the maximums allowed by law. Principal and interest on the bonds will be paid by revenue derived from an ad valorem tax levied upon the taxable property within the District in an amount sufficient to pay the interest as it becomes due and to provide a fund for payment of the principal on or before bond maturity. According to the District's Tax Rate Statement, the best estimate of the highest tax rate required to fund the bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available when the District filed its Tax Rate Statement, is \$30 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. Also according to the District's Tax Rate Statement, the best estimate of the total debt service to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is approximately \$24,200,000.

A "yes" vote is a vote in favor of authorizing the District to issue and sell bonds in an amount up to \$11,500,000, such bonds to be repaid by revenue derived from an annual tax levied upon taxable property within the District.

A "no" vote is a vote against authorizing the District to issue and sell bonds in an amount up to \$11,500,000.

David A. Livingston, El Dorado County County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE P

Pollock Pine's outstanding local schools are some of the most important assets to our community and should be our number one priority. From higher achieving students to greater neighborhood safety and improved property values, high quality schools make a difference. While our teachers and staff do their best in educating our children, many classrooms, labs, and buildings in the Pollock Pines Elementary School District are outdated and inadequate to provide students with the proper school facilities they need to succeed.

While our facilities have been well maintained over the years with some major renovations the last decade, our schools need to be modernized. Both schools are 35 years or older, with our oldest, Pinewood Elementary, being constructed over 65 years ago. Many classrooms, infrastructure, and school facilities are outdated and in need of major upgrades and improvements. To invest in our schools to meet today's safety, technological, and educational standards, we need your **YES vote on Measure P!**

If passed, Measure P will provide funding to upgrade and renovate old classrooms, restrooms and school facilities including:

- Repairing or replacing leaky roofs
- Replacing deteriorating plumbing and septic systems
- Upgrading playgrounds and playfields for school and community use
- Replacing old windows and outdated HVAC systems to improve energy efficiency
- Making health, safety, and handicapped accessibility improvements

Measure P makes financial sense and protects taxpayers.

- By law, spending must be reviewed and annually audited by an independent citizens' oversight committee.
- All bond funds must be spent locally and **cannot be taken by the State.**
- Funds can only be spent to improve local schools, not for teacher salaries.

Measure P upgrades and renovates old and inadequate classrooms, improves the education of local children, and maintains the quality of the Pollock Pines community. That's something we can all support. Please join us and **VOTE YES ON MEASURE P!**

Dave Campbell, Business Owner
Maureen Julian, Retired
Brent Malicote, Associate Superintendent
Heather Straham, Parent
Brittany Meyer, Parent

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST FILED

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE Q

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-18 OF THE EL DORADO HILLS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CALLING AND ORDERING AN ELECTION RE: AN INITIATIVE MEASURE TO REPEAL AND REFUND THE PROMONTORY PARK LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT #22 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ON NOVEMBER 05, 2024, TO BE CONSOLIDATED WITH THE STATEWIDE ELECTION ON THE SAME DAY

WHEREAS, Elections Code §9300 et seq. provides a process by which the registered voters of a district may submit to the governing board of the district an initiative for adoption after filing a copy of the same with the district elections official with a sufficient number of verified signatures of registered voters of the district, as verified by the elections official; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code §9310 provides if such an initiative is submitted to the governing board of the district and is signed by 10% or more of the registered voters of the district, the district board shall either adopt the initiative without alteration or else submit the initiative without alteration to the voters pursuant to Elections Code §1405; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code §1405 provides that an election for a district initiative that meets the requirements of §9310 shall be held at the next general election occurring not less than 88 days after the date of the order of election; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code §10403 provides such a vote on a district initiative may be consolidated with a statewide election and appear upon the same ballot as that provided for the statewide election and provides the form and method for the district board to place the initiative on the ballot; and

WHEREAS, the El Dorado Hills Community Services District's ("District") Board of Directors ("Board") has received an initiative signed by at least 10% of the registered voters of the Landscape and Lighting District, as verified by the County of El Dorado Registrar of Voters Bill O'Neill, and self-titled "An Initiative Measure to Repeal and Refund the Promontory Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District #22 Special Assessment"; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to submit the initiative to the voters of the Landscape and Lighting District at the next general election, to consolidate the vote on the initiative with the statewide election, and to have it appear on the same ballot as that provided for the statewide election; and

WHEREAS, the County of El Dorado Registrar of Voters and Elections staff has confirmed that the next general election date is November 05, 2024, and this is a proper date for the District to place the initiative before the voters.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the El Dorado Hills Community Services District, as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board orders and calls an election on Tuesday, November 05, 2024, for the purpose of submitting to the voters the following question:

"Shall the El Dorado Hills Community Services District repeal Landscape and Lighting District No. 22 and refund levied special assessments?"

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board requests that the vote on this initiative be consolidated with the statewide election to occur on Tuesday, November 05, 2024, as well as consolidated with any other elections occurring on that day and properly consolidated with the statewide election pursuant to the California Elections Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board acknowledges that the consolidated election will be held and conducted in the manner prescribed in Elections Code §10418 and directs that all proceedings related to, connected with, and incidental to the election shall be regulated and performed in accordance with the provisions of law regulating the statewide election.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board directs District staff to file a copy of this resolution with the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors and a copy with the El Dorado County elections official.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board directs the El Dorado County elections officials to administer and take all necessary actions and make all necessary reports and notices related to said election, and further directs District staff to administer and take all necessary actions and make all necessary reports and notices related to said election and in collaboration with the El Dorado County elections official.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any part of this Resolution is held invalid the remainder of the resolution shall not be affected.

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE Q

Measure Q (the "Measure"), if approved by a majority of the voters voting thereon, would repeal and refund assessments levied by the El Dorado Hills Community Services District ("EDHCSD") within Promontory Park Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District #22 (the "Assessment District"). This Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Directors of the EDHCSD pursuant to Resolution No. 2024-18, following certification of an initiative petition signed by the requisite number of voters.

The Assessment District was formed by the EDHCSD pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 (Streets & Highways Code, § 22500 et seq.). The purpose of the Assessment District is to provide funding for the installation, maintenance, and operation of improvements within the Assessment District's boundaries.

Districts such as the Assessment District are authorized to levy assessments subject to compliance with the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 and California Constitution Article XIID (commonly referred to as Proposition 218). An assessment differs from a tax in that a tax may be imposed without reference to peculiar benefits to particular individuals or property or without regard to whether the person or property subject to the tax received any particular benefit from the tax. An assessment, however, can be imposed only for a "special benefit" conferred on the real property assessed, and must be in proportion to, and not greater than, the special benefit conferred on the property assessed. Additionally, California Constitution Article XIIC, Section 3, states, "Notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution, including, but not limited to, Sections 8 and 9 of Article II, the initiative power shall not be prohibited or otherwise limited in matters of reducing or repealing any local tax, assessment, fee or charge."

This initiative measure seeks to repeal and refund the assessments levied within the Assessment District. It further seeks to require that the EDHCSD obtain voter approval "as prescribed by statute" before levying any subsequent assessments within the Assessment District.

A "yes" vote is a vote to repeal and refund assessments levied within the Assessment District.

A "no" vote is a vote against the repeal and refund of assessments levied within the Assessment District.

David A. Livingston, El Dorado County County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE Q

Fellow Promontory residents,

We urge you to vote YES on Measure Q to repeal the Promontory LLAD #22 and refund all prior assessments. This measure is crucial for ensuring fair taxation and responsible governance.

Here are the key reasons to support Measure Q:

1. **Unfair Taxation:** The Promontory LLAD #22 imposes an unnecessary financial burden on the Promontory EDH property owners that should be covered by general taxes to maintain park improvements.
2. **Lack of Transparency:** The formation and management of this LLAD have lacked proper transparency and community input, leaving many residents feeling disenfranchised.
3. **Inequitable Distribution of Costs:** The assessment unfairly places the financial burden on district taxpayers for maintenance and operation of a park used by the entire El Dorado Hills community.
4. **Fiscal Responsibility:** Repealing this LLAD will force the El Dorado Hills Community Services District to manage resources more efficiently and find equitable ways to fund community improvements.
5. **Precedent Setting:** Measure Q sends a clear message that our community values fair taxation and will not tolerate the creation of special assessment districts that do not truly serve the specific needs of those being assessed.

By voting YES on Measure Q, you are standing up for fiscal responsibility, equitable governance, and the fair treatment of all El Dorado Hills residents. Let's ensure that our community's resources are managed transparently and that the costs of public improvements are shared fairly among all who benefit from them.

We concur with County Counsel: A YES Vote on Measure Q repeals Promontory LLAD #22 and refunds all assessments. It's time to correct this injustice and set our El Dorado Hills community on a path towards more equitable and transparent governance.

Steven Joseph Gutierrez, El Dorado Hills Resident

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST FILED

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE R

RESOLUTION NO. **2024-19** OF THE EL DORADO HILLS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CALLING AND ORDERING AN ELECTION RE: AN INITIATIVE MEASURE TO REPEAL AND REFUND THE VALLEY VIEW LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT #33 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ON NOVEMBER 05, 2024, TO BE CONSOLIDATED WITH THE STATEWIDE ELECTION ON THE SAME DAY

WHEREAS, Elections Code §9300 et seq. provides a process by which the registered voters of a district may submit to the governing board of the district an initiative for adoption after filing a copy of the same with the district elections official with a sufficient number of verified signatures of registered voters of the district, as verified by the elections official; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code §9310 provides if such an initiative is submitted to the governing board of the district and is signed by 10% or more of the registered voters of the district, the district board shall either adopt the initiative without alteration or else submit the initiative without alteration to the voters pursuant to Elections Code §1405; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code §1405 provides that an election for a district initiative that meets the requirements of §9310 shall be held at the next general election occurring not less than 88 days after the date of the order of election; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code §10403 provides such a vote on a district initiative may be consolidated with a statewide election and appear upon the same ballot as that provided for the statewide election and provides the form and method for the district board to place the initiative on the ballot; and

WHEREAS, the El Dorado Hills Community Services District's ("District") Board of Directors ("Board") has received an initiative signed by at least 10% of the registered voters of the Landscape and Lighting District, as verified by the County of El Dorado Registrar of Voters Bill O'Neill, and self-titled "An Initiative Measure to Repeal and Refund the Valley View Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District #33 Special Assessment"; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to submit the initiative to the voters of the Landscape and Lighting District at the next general election, to consolidate the vote on the initiative with the statewide election, and to have it appear on the same ballot as that provided for the statewide election; and

WHEREAS, the County of El Dorado Registrar of Voters and Elections staff has confirmed that the next general election date is November 05, 2024, and this is a proper date for the District to place the initiative before the voters.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the El Dorado Hills Community Services District, as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board orders and calls an election on Tuesday, November 05, 2024, for the purpose of submitting to the voters the following question:

"Shall the El Dorado Hills Community Services District repeal Landscape and Lighting District No. 33 and refund levied special assessments?"

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board requests that the vote on this initiative be consolidated with the statewide election to occur on Tuesday, November 05, 2024, as well as consolidated with any other elections occurring on that day and properly consolidated with the statewide election pursuant to the California Elections Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board acknowledges that the consolidated election will be held and conducted in the manner prescribed in Elections Code §10418 and directs that all proceedings related to, connected with, and incidental to the election shall be regulated and performed in accordance with the provisions of law regulating the statewide election.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board directs District staff to file a copy of this resolution with the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors and a copy with the El Dorado County elections official.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board directs the El Dorado County elections officials to administer and take all necessary actions and make all necessary reports and notices related to said election, and further directs District Staff to administer and take all necessary actions and make all necessary reports and notices related to said election and in collaboration with the El Dorado County elections official.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any part of this Resolution is held invalid the remainder of the resolution shall not be affected.

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE R

Measure R (the "Measure"), if approved by a majority of the voters voting thereon, would repeal and refund assessments levied by the El Dorado Hills Community Services District ("EDHCSD") within Valley View Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District #33 (the "Assessment District"). This Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Directors of the EDHCSD pursuant to Resolution No. 2024-19, following certification of an initiative petition signed by the requisite number of voters.

The Assessment District was formed by the EDHCSD pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 (Streets & Highways Code, § 22500 et seq.). The purpose of the Assessment District is to provide funding for the installation, maintenance, and operation of improvements within the Assessment District's boundaries.

Districts such as the Assessment District are authorized to levy assessments subject to compliance with the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 and California Constitution Article XIID (commonly referred to as Proposition 218). An assessment differs from a tax in that a tax may be imposed without reference to peculiar benefits to particular individuals or property or without regard to whether the person or property subject to the tax received any particular benefit from the tax. An assessment, however, can be imposed only for a "special benefit" conferred on the real property assessed, and must be in proportion to, and not greater than, the special benefit conferred on the property assessed. Additionally, California Constitution Article XIIC, Section 3, states, "Notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution, including, but not limited to, Sections 8 and 9 of Article II, the initiative power shall not be prohibited or otherwise limited in matters of reducing or repealing any local tax, assessment, fee or charge."

This initiative measure seeks to repeal and refund the assessments levied within the Assessment District. It further seeks to require that the EDHCSD obtain voter approval "as prescribed by statute" before levying any subsequent assessments within the Assessment District.

A "yes" vote is a vote to repeal and refund assessments levied within the Assessment District.

A "no" vote is a vote against the repeal and refund of assessments levied within the Assessment District.

David A. Livingston, El Dorado County County Counsel

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST FILED

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE S

RESOLUTION NO. **2024-20** OF THE EL DORADO HILLS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CALLING AND ORDERING AN ELECTION RE: AN INITIATIVE MEASURE TO REPEAL AND REFUND THE CARSON CREEK PARK LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT #39 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ON NOVEMBER 05, 2024, TO BE CONSOLIDATED WITH THE STATEWIDE ELECTION ON THE SAME DAY

WHEREAS, Elections Code §9300 et seq. provides a process by which the registered voters of a district may submit to the governing board of the district an initiative for adoption after filing a copy of the same with the district elections official with a sufficient number of verified signatures of registered voters of the district, as verified by the elections official; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code §9310 provides if such an initiative is submitted to the governing board of the district and is signed by 10% or more of the registered voters of the district, the district board shall either adopt the initiative without alteration or else submit the initiative without alteration to the voters pursuant to Elections Code §1405; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code §1405 provides that an election for a district initiative that meets the requirements of §9310 shall be held at the next general election occurring not less than 88 days after the date of the order of election; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code §10403 provides such a vote on a district initiative may be consolidated with a statewide election and appear upon the same ballot as that provided for the statewide election and provides the form and method for the district board to place the initiative on the ballot; and

WHEREAS, the El Dorado Hills Community Services District's ("District") Board of Directors ("Board") has received an initiative signed by at least 10% of the registered voters of the Landscape and Lighting District, as verified by the County of El Dorado Registrar of Voters Bill O'Neill, and self-titled "An Initiative Measure to Repeal and Refund the Carson Creek Park Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District #39 Special Assessment "; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to submit the initiative to the voters of the Landscape and Lighting District at the next general election, to consolidate the vote on the initiative with the statewide election, and to have it appear on the same ballot as that provided for the statewide election; and

WHEREAS, the County of El Dorado Registrar of Voters and Elections staff has confirmed that the next general election date is November 05, 2024, and this is a proper date for the District to place the initiative before the voters.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the El Dorado Hills Community Services District, as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board orders and calls an election on Tuesday, November 05, 2024, for the purpose of submitting to the voters the following question:

"Shall the El Dorado Hills Community Services District repeal Landscape and Lighting District No. 39 and refund levied special assessments?"

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board requests that the vote on this initiative be consolidated with the statewide election to occur on Tuesday, November 05, 2024, as well as consolidated with any other elections occurring on that day and properly consolidated with the statewide election pursuant to the California Elections Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board acknowledges that the consolidated election will be held and conducted in the manner prescribed in Elections Code §10418 and directs that all proceedings related to, connected with, and incidental to the election shall be regulated and performed in accordance with the provisions of law regulating the statewide election.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board directs District staff to file a copy of this resolution with the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors and a copy with the El Dorado County elections official.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board directs the El Dorado County elections officials to administer and take all necessary actions and make all necessary reports and notices related to said election, and further directs District Staff to administer and take all necessary actions and make all necessary reports and notices related to said election and in collaboration with the El Dorado County elections official.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any part of this Resolution is held invalid the remainder of the resolution shall not be affected.

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE S

Measure S (the “Measure”), if approved by a majority of the voters voting thereon, would repeal and refund assessments levied by the El Dorado Hills Community Services District (“EDHCSD”) within Carson Creek Park Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District #39 (the “Assessment District”). This Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Directors of the EDHCSD pursuant to Resolution No. 2024-20, following certification of an initiative petition signed by the requisite number of voters.

The Assessment District was formed by the EDHCSD pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 (Streets & Highways Code, § 22500 et seq.). The purpose of the Assessment District is to provide funding for the installation, maintenance, and operation of improvements for a park within the Assessment District’s boundaries.

Districts such as the Assessment District are authorized to levy assessments subject to compliance with the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 and California Constitution Article XIID (commonly referred to as Proposition 218). An assessment differs from a tax in that a tax may be imposed without reference to peculiar benefits to particular individuals or property or without regard to whether the person or property subject to the tax received any particular benefit from the tax. An assessment, however, can be imposed only for a “special benefit” conferred on the real property assessed, and must be in proportion to, and not greater than, the special benefit conferred on the property assessed. Additionally, California Constitution Article XIIC, Section 3, states, “Notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution, including, but not limited to, Sections 8 and 9 of Article II, the initiative power shall not be prohibited or otherwise limited in matters of reducing or repealing any local tax, assessment, fee or charge.”

This initiative measure seeks to repeal and refund the assessments levied within the Assessment District. It further seeks to require that the EDHCSD obtain voter approval “as prescribed by law” before levying any subsequent assessments within the Assessment District.

A “yes” vote is a vote to repeal and refund assessments levied within the Assessment District.

A “no” vote is a vote against the repeal and refund of assessments levied within the Assessment District.

David A. Livingston, El Dorado County County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE S

Fellow Heritage residents,

We urge you to vote YES on Measure S to repeal the Carson Creek LLAD #39 and refund all prior assessments. This measure is crucial for ensuring fair taxation and responsible governance.

Here are the key reasons to support Measure S:

1. **Unfair Taxation:** The Carson Creek LLAD #39 imposes an unnecessary financial burden on the Heritage EDH community of senior property owners that should be covered by general taxes to maintain park improvements.
2. **Lack of Transparency:** The formation and management of this LLAD have lacked proper transparency and community input, leaving many residents feeling disenfranchised.
3. **Inequitable Distribution of Costs:** The assessment unfairly places the financial burden on district taxpayers for maintenance and operation of a park used by the entire El Dorado Hills community.
4. **Fiscal Responsibility:** Repealing this LLAD will force the El Dorado Hills Community Services District to manage resources more efficiently and find equitable ways to fund community improvements.
5. **Precedent Setting:** Measure S sends a clear message that our community values fair taxation and will not tolerate the creation of special assessment districts that do not truly serve the specific needs of those being assessed.

By voting YES on Measure S, you are standing up for fiscal responsibility, equitable governance, and the fair treatment of all El Dorado Hills residents. Let's ensure that our community's resources are managed transparently and that the costs of public improvements are shared fairly among all who benefit from them.

We concur with County Counsel: A YES Vote on Measure S repeals Carson Creek LLAD #39 and refunds all assessments. It's time to correct this injustice and set our El Dorado Hills community on a path towards more equitable and transparent governance.

George Robert Williams, Resident
Sue Williams, Resident
George Steed, Concerned Resident of Heritage EDH
Bonnie Bergner, Resident
LeeAnn Faucett, Resident

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST FILED

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE T

RESOLUTION OF THE HICKOK ROAD COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

RESOLUTION OF THE HICKOK ROAD COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT PROPOSING A BALLOT MEASURE TO INCREASE THE SPECIAL TAX TO PROVIDE FOR MAINTAINING, UPGRADING AND IMPROVING DISTRICT ROADS

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Hickok Road Community Services District wishes to submit to the voters of the District a proposal to increase funding for maintaining, upgrading and improving of District roads; and

WHEREAS, Government Code §50075 et, seq, provides authority for special districts to impose special taxes; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that increasing the existing special tax rate by \$200 per parcel per year is necessary in order to adequately fund maintaining, upgrading and improving District roads; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the electors within the District should have the opportunity to decide whether the level of funding for maintaining, upgrading and improving District roads; and

WHEREAS, Government Code §53722 provides that a special tax must be submitted to the electorate of the District and approved by a two-thirds vote of the voters voting on the issue.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Hickok Road Community Services District as follows:

1. The Board shall submit to the voters the question of whether to increase the special tax within the District for the purpose of maintaining, upgrading, and improving District roads from \$200 to \$400 per parcel per year.
2. The special tax may be reduced or adjusted at the beginning of each fiscal year, commencing July 1, 2025, following a public hearing, by an amount not to exceed the cost of living as determined by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) prepared by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics or similar indicator of inflation that may come into common and widespread use.
3. The Hickok Road Community Services District requests that the El Dorado County Registrar of Voters place the proposed measure before the voters of the Hickok Road Community Services District on November 5, 2024 election.
4. The title of the measure shall be "Hickok Road Community Services District Adequate Funding Initiative."
5. The measure shall appear on the ballot in substantially the following form:
"Shall the measure increasing the per parcel Hickok Road CSD special tax limit from \$200 to \$400 per year, resulting in a maximum annual income of \$24,800 for road maintenance for all future years, with a provision for adjustment not to exceed the cost of living as determined by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) prepared by the US Bureau of Labor Statistics as appropriate, be adopted."
6. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be delivered to the Office of the El Dorado County Clerk and County Clerk shall be directed to conduct said election pursuant to applicable laws of the State of California.
7. If approved by the electorates set forth above, said special tax shall be levied and collected in accordance with this resolution and shall be collected in the same manner and subject to the same penalty as, or with, other charges and taxes fixed and collected by the District or by the County of El Dorado.
8. If approved by the electorate as set as set forth above the special tax increase set forth above shall augment existing sources of revenue to the Hickok Road Community Services District and shall not apply to parcels owned by a federal or state governmental agency or another local agency.
9. In accordance with applicable laws, the Hickok Road Community Services District shall reimburse the County of El Dorado for the cost of such election.
10. Pursuant to Government Code §50075.1 the specific purposes of the special taxes are hereby identified as maintaining, upgrading and improving District roads.
11. The proceeds of the special tax shall only be applied to the specific purpose identified above and shall be deposited into a special account created for that purpose.
12. The District shall prepare an annual report pursuant to Government Code §50075.3 to determine the amount of funds collected and expended and to identify the purposes for which the special tax funds have been expended.

13. In the event of any ambiguity, uncertainty or conflict regarding the application of the special tax to a particular parcel of land such ambiguity shall be resolved by formal motion of the Board of Directors of the Hickok Road Community Services District.
14. If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase in this measure, or any part thereof, is held invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections or portions of this chapter or part thereof. The Board hereby declares that it would have passed each section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this measure irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases may be declared invalid or unconstitutional.
15. This measure shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE T

Measure T (the "Measure"), if approved by two-thirds of the voters voting thereon, would increase an existing special tax from \$200 per parcel per year to \$400 per parcel per year. This Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Directors of the Hickok Road Community Services District (the "District").

The District currently levies a special tax in the amount of \$200 per parcel per year to fund improvements, upgrades, and maintenance of roads within the District. If approved, this Measure would increase the existing special tax by \$200 per parcel per year, for a total tax rate not to exceed \$400 per parcel per year. If the Measure fails, the existing special tax in the amount of \$200 per parcel per year will remain in effect.

If approved, the special tax authorized by this Measure will be used solely for the purpose of maintaining, upgrading, and improving roads within the District. The special tax shall not apply to parcels owned by a federal or state governmental agency or another local agency. The special tax would remain in effect until modified or repealed. Following a public hearing, the rate of the special tax may be adjusted each fiscal year by an amount not to exceed the cost of living as determined by the Consumer Price Index ("CPI") prepared by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics or similar indicator of inflation. The increase in the special tax authorized by this Measure is expected to generate additional revenue of \$12,400 per year.

The special tax authorized by this Measure will be listed as a separate item on the county property tax bill for each affected parcel of land and will be collected in the same manner as the general property tax. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of county property taxes, including the provisions for penalties and the procedures for sale of the property in case of delinquency, shall also apply to the special tax. In the event of any ambiguity, uncertainty, or conflict regarding the application of the special tax to a particular parcel of land, such ambiguity shall be resolved by formal motion of the Board of Directors of the District.

State law requires the proceeds from the special tax be applied only to the identified purposes and that an annual report is made indicating the amount of funds collected and expended and the status of any project required or authorized to be funded by the proceeds.

A "yes" vote is a vote to authorize an increase in the annual special tax from \$200 per parcel to \$400 per parcel, as provided in the Measure.

A "no" vote is a vote against the increase to the existing special tax.

David A. Livingston, El Dorado County County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE T

The Hickok Road CSD was established in 1981 with bylaws that set the maximum yearly assessment at \$200. Changes require approval by two-thirds of the residents. Because the cost of asphalt has increased 350% since then, the current assessment is not sufficient to repair and maintain the roads now or in the future. The Board has recommended the assessment be increased to \$400 three times. The measure has failed by one to four votes each time. The Board is recommending you vote YES this time.

The CSD currently has \$65,575. Sweet Valley needs repairs quoted at \$70,431. Hickok needs the cracks filled and a sealant applied to prolong the life of the overlay applied in 2017. There are 62 parcels within the CSD currently generating \$12,400 a year toward road maintenance. After repairing Sweet Valley next year, funding will only be adequate to cover small emergencies. Increasing the assessment will expedite recovery of funds and allow Hickok sealing in four years. Without the increase, it will be a minimum of seven years to deal with Hickok's cracks. By then, the cracks will likely be potholes and cost much more to repair.

All monies collected go to road maintenance which, combined with the labor of our residents, improvements made by residents themselves and donations like the sign at Sweet Valley, have allowed us to have decent roads but without increased funding the asphalt cannot be maintained.

Thank you to everyone who has come out annually to cut back brush, move rock and improve our roads. These efforts are critical but maintenance of the asphalt itself requires funds and \$200 a year just isn't enough. Please vote YES on Measure T. A NO vote is a vote for potholes on Hickok.

Brian McGlinchey, Board Member
Warren Sargent, Board Member
Eric Mercado, President of the Board

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST FILED

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE U
LAKE TAHOE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOVEMBER 5, 2024 GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND MEASURE

Lake Tahoe Unified School District Classroom Repair Measure

By approval of this measure by at least fifty-five percent (55%) of the registered voters voting thereon, the Lake Tahoe Unified School District shall be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$127,000,000 in aggregate principal amount to provide financing for the specific school facilities projects listed below in the Bond Project List, subject to all of the accountability safeguards specified herein.

SECTION I: KEY FINDINGS

- Lake Tahoe Unified School District (the "District") strives to provide a quality education for over 3,500 local students in preschool through high school at eight local schools.
- Since its founding more than seven decades ago, the District has worked to ensure students graduate prepared for success in college or in-demand careers.
- While well maintained, most local classrooms, science labs and school facilities were built over 50 years ago and the last significant upgrades to local schools occurred nearly 20 years ago.
- The District has completed a thorough assessment of every classroom and school facility to identify and prioritize needed upgrades.
- Basic repairs are needed to fix leaky roofs and outdated heating and cooling systems.
- To protect student safety, school security improvements are needed, including security cameras, gates, and fencing.
- Classrooms and science labs built for a different era of education need updates to meet current educational standards for science, technology, engineering, and math instruction.
- With rising temperatures and more frequent wildfires, schools need upgrades to ensure safe classroom temperatures, smoke-free air and fire safety.
- Hazardous materials like asbestos and lead need to be removed from school campuses.
- Dozens of portable classrooms have exceeded their lifespan, are deteriorating and need to be replaced with permanent classrooms.
- The State does not provide dedicated funding for school facility improvements and school facility upgrades must be funded locally.
- The Board of Education believes that locally controlled funding from a school improvement bond measure on the November 2024 ballot is needed to fund local school repairs and upgrades.
- Funding from a school improvement bond measure would be used to update aging classrooms, labs, libraries, and career training facilities; repair deteriorating roofs, plumbing, heating, cooling and electrical systems; improve fire safety, water quality and school security; replace aging portables with permanent classrooms and remove hazardous materials like asbestos and lead.
- A school facilities improvement bond measures must include strict fiscal accountability protections, including an independent citizens' oversight committee, mandatory annual audits, and public disclosure of spending to ensure all funds are used for voter-approved projects only.
- All funds from a school improvement bond measure would be controlled locally and could not be taken away by the State.
- No funds from a school improvement bond measure could be used for administrators' salaries or pensions.

SECTION II: ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES

The provisions in this section are included in this proposition in order that the voters and taxpayers of the District may be assured that their money will be spent to address specific facilities needs of the District, all in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, section 1(b)(3) of the State Constitution, and the Strict Accountability in Local School Construction Bonds Act of 2000 (codified at Section 15264 *et seq.* of the California Education Code).

Evaluation of Needs. The Board of Education has evaluated the facilities needs of the District and has identified projects to finance from a local bond measure at this time. The Board of Education has certified that it has evaluated safety, class size reduction and information technology needs in developing the Bond Project List.

Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee. The Board of Education shall appoint a new or empower an existing independent Citizens' Oversight Committee in accordance with Education Code sections 15278-15282 and applicable Board policy, to ensure bond proceeds are expended

only for the school facilities projects listed in the Bond Project List. The committee shall be established within sixty (60) days of the date when the Board of Education enters the results of the election in its official minutes.

Annual Performance Audit. The Board of Education shall conduct or cause to be conducted an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the bond proceeds have been expended only on the school facilities projects described in the Bond Project List.

Annual Financial Audit. The Board of Education shall conduct or cause to be conducted an annual, independent financial audit of the bond proceeds until all of those proceeds have been spent.

Annual Report to Board. Upon approval of this measure and the sale of any bonds approved, the Board of Education shall take actions necessary to establish an account in which proceeds of the sale of bonds will be deposited. As long as any proceeds of the bonds remain unexpended, the Superintendent shall cause a report to be filed with the Board of Education no later than January 1 of each year, commencing on the first January 1 after bonds have been issued and proceeds spent, stating (1) the amount of bond proceeds received and expended in the past fiscal year, and (2) the status of any project funded or to be funded from bond proceeds. The report may be incorporated into the annual budget, annual financial report, or other appropriate routine report to the Board.

SECTION III: BOND PROJECT LIST

Bond proceeds will be expended to modernize, replace, renovate, expand, construct, acquire, equip, furnish and otherwise improve the classrooms and school facilities of the District. The school facilities projects to be funded include, but shall not be limited to:

- Repair or replace leaky roofs
- Repair or replace outdated heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems with building code compliant, energy efficient systems
- Replace existing wiring systems to meet current electrical and accessibility codes and increased capacity
- Repair or replace deteriorating plumbing and sewer systems
- Make health, safety and handicapped accessibility improvements
- Federal and State-mandated Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility upgrades including site access, parking, staff and student restrooms, relocation of some existing electrical devices, drinking fountains, playground equipment, etc.
- Improve student access to computers and modern technology
- Modernize and renovate outdated classrooms, restrooms and school facilities
- Replace temporary portables with permanent classrooms
- Upgrade P.E. fields and facilities for school and community use
- Make security improvements throughout the District, such as installing security fencing, cameras, lighting, and fire alarm and security systems
- Repair and upgrade roofs, walls, and floors
- Make facility improvements to increase the District's energy efficiency, including replacing outdated lighting and windows
- Upgrade school site parking, utilities and grounds
- Upgrade, expand, repair and/or equip labs, multipurpose rooms, food service facilities, auditoriums, libraries, locker rooms, and other school facilities, including the cafeterias and gymnasiums
- Address unforeseen conditions revealed by construction/modernization (such as plumbing or gas line breaks, dry rot, seismic, structural, etc.)
- Federal and State-mandated Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA) safety upgrades including playground equipment replacement
- Abate and remove hazardous materials identified prior to or during construction
- Repair, replace and/or upgrade paved surfaces, turf, and other grounds to eliminate safety hazards and improve outside instructional areas

The listed projects will be completed as needed. Each project is assumed to include its share of furniture, equipment, architectural, engineering, and similar planning costs, program/project management, staff training expenses and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. In addition to the listed projects stated above, the list also includes the acquisition of a variety of instructional, maintenance and operational equipment, including the

reduction or retirement of outstanding lease obligations and interim funding incurred to advance fund projects from the list; installation of signage and fencing; payment of the costs of preparation of all facility planning, facility studies, assessment reviews, facility master plan preparation and updates, environmental studies (including environmental investigation, remediation and monitoring), design and construction documentation, and temporary housing of dislocated District activities caused by construction projects. In addition to the projects listed above, the repair and renovation of each of the existing school facilities may include, but not be limited to, some or all of the following: renovation of student and staff restrooms; repair and replacement of heating and ventilation systems; repair and replacement of worn-out windows, doors and drinking fountains; installation of wiring and electrical systems to safely accommodate computers, technology and other electrical devices and needs; upgrades or construction of support facilities, including administrative, physical education/athletic facilities and performing arts buildings and maintenance yards; repair and replacement of fire alarms, emergency communications and security systems; resurfacing or replacing of hard courts, pools, turf and irrigation systems and campus landscaping and play fields; expand parking; install interior and exterior painting and floor covering; demolition; and construction of various forms of storage and support spaces, upgrade classrooms, bleachers, kitchens, repair, upgrade and install interior and exterior lighting systems; replace outdated security fences and security systems. The upgrading of technology infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, computers, LCD projectors, portable interface devices, servers, switches, routers, modules, sound projection systems, laser printers, digital white boards, document projectors, upgrade voice-over-IP, call manager and network security/firewall, wireless technology systems and other miscellaneous equipment and software. The allocation of bond proceeds will be affected by the District's receipt of State matching funds and the final costs of each project. In the absence of State matching funds, which the District will aggressively pursue to reduce the District's share of the costs of the projects, the District will not be able to complete some of the projects listed above. The budget for each project is an estimate and may be affected by factors beyond the District's control. Some projects throughout the District, such as gyms, fields and performing arts facilities, may be undertaken as joint use projects in cooperation with other local public or non-profit agencies. The final cost of each project will be determined as plans and construction documents are finalized, construction bids are received, construction contracts are awarded and projects are completed. Based on the final costs of each project, certain of the projects described above may be delayed or may not be completed. Demolition of existing facilities and reconstruction of facilities scheduled for repair and upgrade may occur, if the Board determines that such an approach would be more cost-effective in creating more enhanced and operationally efficient campuses. Necessary site preparation/restoration may occur in connection with new construction, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of relocatable classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing, or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads, and acquiring any necessary easements, licenses, or rights of way to the property. Proceeds of the bonds may be used to pay or reimburse the District for the cost of District staff when performing work on or necessary and incidental to bond projects. Bond proceeds shall only be expended for the specific purposes identified herein. The District shall create an account into which proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited and comply with the reporting requirements of Government Code § 53410.

SECTION IV: ADDITIONAL SPECIFICATIONS

No Operating Expenses. Proceeds from the sale of Bonds authorized by this proposition shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of school facilities on the Bond Project List, including the furnishing and equipping of said school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for said school facilities, and not for any other purpose, including teacher or administrator salaries and other school operating expenses in accordance with applicable law.

Single Purpose. All of the purposes enumerated in this proposition shall be united and voted upon as one single proposition, pursuant to Section 15100 of the California Education Code, and all the enumerated purposes shall constitute the specific single purpose of the bonds and proceeds of the bonds shall be spent only for such purpose.

Other Terms of the Bonds. The bonds may be issued and sold in several series, and in accordance with a financing plan determined by the Board of Education pursuant to requirements of law. When sold, the bonds shall bear interest at an annual rate not exceeding the statutory maximum and with a maximum term not exceeding the statutory maximum, provided that the average useful life of bonds sold will not exceed one hundred twenty percent (120%) of the average life of the projects being financed or as otherwise provided by federal tax law. Bond funds

may be used to reimburse the District for Bond Project list expenditures incurred prior to the election and bond issuance, in accordance with federal tax law.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the financial information contained in this measure is based upon the District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District, nor are the summary or average payment estimates, if any, provided in the Ballot Label. The actual tax rates, debt service and the years in which they will apply may vary from those presently estimated, due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on need for construction funds and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

In preparing this information, the District obtained reasonable and informed projections of assessed property valuations that took into consideration projections of assessed property valuations made by the County Assessor, if any, in accordance with Education Code Section 15100(c).

TAX RATE STATEMENT MEASURE U

Lake Tahoe Unified School District Classroom Repair Measure

An election will be held within the boundaries of Lake Tahoe Unified School District ("District") on November 5, 2024 to authorize the sale of up to \$127,000,000 in bonds to finance facilities as described in the measure. If the bonds are approved, the District expects to sell the bonds in multiple series. Principal and interest on the bonds will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property located within the District. The following information is provided in compliance with Sections 9400 to 9404, inclusive, of the California Elections Code.

1. The best estimate from official sources of the average annual tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on assessed valuations available at the time of the election and a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction and other demonstrable factors, is estimated to be \$32.70 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected is 2061-62.

2. The best estimate from official sources of the highest tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund this bond issue, and an estimate of the year in which that rate will apply, based on assessed valuations available at the time of filing this statement, and a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction and other demonstrable factors, is estimated to be \$35.00 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation first occurring in fiscal year 2025-26 through 2061-62.

3. The best estimate from official sources of the total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is \$251.4 million.

Voters should note that the estimated tax rate is based on the ASSESSED VALUE of taxable property on the El Dorado County official tax rolls, not on the property's market value. Property owners should consult their own property tax bills to determine their property's assessed value and any applicable tax exemptions.

Attention of all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon the District's projections and estimates only, which are not binding upon the District. The actual tax rates, debt service and the years in which they will apply may vary from those presently estimated, due to variations from these estimates in the timing of bond sales, the amount of bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale, and actual assessed valuations over the term of repayment of the bonds. The dates of sale and the amount of bonds sold at any given time will be determined by the District based on need for construction funds and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. Actual future assessed valuation will depend upon the amount and value of taxable property within the District as determined by the County Assessor in the annual assessment and the equalization process.

“Lake Tahoe Unified School District Classroom Repair Measure. To improve quality education by updating classrooms, labs, libraries, and career training facilities; repairing deteriorating roofs, plumbing, heating/cooling and electrical systems; improving fire safety, water quality and school security; and removing hazardous materials like asbestos/ lead, shall Lake Tahoe Unified School District's measure be adopted issuing \$127,000,000 of bonds at legal rates, levying 3.5¢ per \$100 assessed value (approximately \$6,600,000 annually) while bonds are outstanding, with independent oversight, audits, and all funds staying local?”

Bonds - Yes

Bonds - No

PURSUANT TO EDUCATION CODE SECTION 15122.5:

“Approval of Measure U does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Lake Tahoe Unified School District that are the subject of bonds under Measure U will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure U. The school district's proposal for the project or projects may assume the receipt of matching state funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure.”

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE U

Measure U (the "Measure"), if approved by at least 55% of the registered voters voting thereon, would authorize the Lake Tahoe Unified School District (the "District") to incur bonded indebtedness up to a maximum amount of \$127,000,000. The Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Education ("Board") of the District pursuant to Resolution No. 2023/24-07.

Proceeds from the sale of the bonds authorized by the Measure would be used to modernize, replace, renovate, expand, construct, acquire, equip, furnish, and otherwise improve the classrooms and school facilities of the District. No funds derived from bond sales may be used for general school operating expenses, including administrator and teacher salaries, or for any purpose other than those expressly stated in the Measure. The full text of the Measure lists the types of school facility improvement projects within the District intended to be financed by bond sales.

The Measure provides that the Board shall conduct annual independent performance and financial audits and shall appoint an independent Citizens' Oversight Committee to ensure that bond proceeds are spent only as specified in the Measure and as provided by law. Bond proceeds shall be deposited in a special fund and an annual report shall be made to the Board of the amount of funds collected and expended and the status of projects.

The maturity date and maximum rate of interest on any bonds shall not exceed the maximums allowed by law. Principal and interest on the bonds will be paid by revenue derived from an ad valorem tax levied upon the taxable property within the District in an amount sufficient to pay the interest as it becomes due and to provide a fund for payment of the principal on or before bond maturity. According to the District's Tax Rate Statement, the best estimate of the highest tax rate required to fund the bonds, based on estimated assessed valuations available when the District filed its Tax Rate Statement, is \$35.00 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. Also according to the District's Tax Rate Statement, the best estimate of the total debt service to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold is approximately \$251,400,000.

A "yes" vote is a vote in favor of authorizing the District to issue and sell bonds in an amount up to \$127,000,000, such bonds to be repaid by revenue derived from an annual tax levied upon taxable property within the District.

A "no" vote is a vote against authorizing the District to issue and sell bonds in an amount up to \$127,000,000.

David A. Livingston, El Dorado County County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE U

Vote Yes on U to protect quality education and student safety by upgrading aging Lake Tahoe USD schools.

Each day over **3,500 local students** at our eight local schools attend classrooms, science labs, and school facilities that are **over 50 years old** and need repairs and updates to meet today's **education and safety standards**.

Classrooms and science labs are outdated, roofs leak, plumbing and electrical systems are faulty, and student bathrooms are in disrepair. Fire safety, school security, and water and air quality improvements are needed to keep students safe.

Voting **Yes on U** provides locally controlled funding to **repair and upgrade our aging schools**. Yes on U keeps our schools functioning, protects student safety, and ensures **students graduate with the strong foundations in science, technology, engineering, and math** needed to succeed in college and today's careers.

Yes on U will:

- Repair deteriorating roofs, plumbing, gas lines, sewers and electrical systems
- Replace aging portable classrooms with permanent classrooms
- Improve fire safety, water quality, and school security
- Replace outdated heating and cooling systems
- Remove hazardous materials like asbestos and lead
- Update classrooms, science labs, art and music rooms, school libraries, and career-training facilities

Measure U Requires Strict Fiscal Accountability and Local Control

- All funds must be **controlled locally to improve our schools only** and **cannot be taken away by the State**
- An independent **oversight committee**, mandatory **annual audits** and **public disclosure of all spending** ensures all funds are used as promised
- No funds could be used for administrators' salaries

Voting Yes on U will help Lake Tahoe schools **qualify for state matching funds** that will otherwise go to improve schools in other communities.

Join local teachers, parents and trusted local leaders in voting Yes on U to support our schools and students.

Brook Laine, El Dorado County Supervisor

Teresita J. Tibbetts, Retired LTUSD - Teacher

Don Borges, Retired LTUSD Teacher

Jude Wood, Executive Director, of Boys and Girls Club of Lake Tahoe

Chris Proctor, Board Chair: Tahoe Chamber of Commerce

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE U

Vote No on Measure U.

Attention Voters:

The Lake Tahoe Unified School District has obviously hired what I have

“Nick-Named a Bond Pushing / Selling Company” like other School Districts and Cities do to use **Scare Tactics** like “Deteriorating Roofs, Plumbing, Sewer, Heating/ Cooling and Electrical Systems, etc. to get this to pass. I do not trust these

“Professional Bond Sellers” who want to sell us \$127,000,000 bonds = Secured Debt on our properties for 36 years !!

I studied my 2023-2024 Property Tax Statement from the El Dorado County Tax Collector.

I saw a Pie Chart on their website that shows that we property owners paid \$439,964,328 on Proposition 13's 1% General Property Taxes. **40.6% of this money is \$178,625,517** that goes to the K-14 Schools / College. The rest of the 1% taxes goes to many things in El Dorado County.

On our Property Tax Bills, we already have the following Bonds:

	Sample Assessed value		Tax Rate	Tax
1999 Lake Tahoe Unified School Bond	500,000	x	0.013416 %	\$67.08
2008 Lake Tahoe Unified School Bond	500,000	x	0.031712 %	\$158.56
2014 Lake Tahoe College Bond	500,000	x	0.015000 %	\$75.00

You can see we support our schools with Taxes from 1% General Tax and 3 Bonds already.

Please check your actual tax bill for the Exact \$ Amount that you are paying.

Please note: The South Tahoe High School was recently rebuilt due to fire.

So, in my opinion, we DO NOT NEED more TAX BONDS, we need better Money Management.

Please Vote No on Measure U

Lawrence S. Alba

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE U

The lone opponent of MeasureU has his facts wrong. Measure U is real and is urgent!

Aging and deteriorating schools **are not scare tactics**. Leaky roofs and deteriorating plumbing, sewer, heating, cooling, and electrical systems **are the REALITY our LTUSD students and teachers deal with every day**.

A detailed account of the current conditions can be found at: bit.ly/ltusdfacilitiesconditions

Here are the realities:

FACT: Many of our classrooms, science labs and school facilities **are over 50 years old** and need urgent repairs and upgrades. **Outdated and deteriorating classrooms impact student learning and safety.**

FACT: Without MeasureU, LTUSD has no funding to repair our schools.

FACT: If MeasureU does not pass state funds will be distributed to other communities. Voting **Yes on U** will bring **our fair share of state matching funds to LTUSD.**

FACT: MeasureU's **mandatory fiscal accountability protections** ensure funds are spent properly and only for voter- approved projects. An **independent oversight committee** of local residents must review all spending and report their findings to the community. No funds can be used for administrators' salaries. **No funds can be taken away by the State.**

FACT: If we want our students to be **prepared for college and successful careers**, they need a strong foundation in **science, technology, engineering, and math. Yes on U** will provide the updated classrooms, labs, and job training facilities to prepare students for future success.

Don't be misled. Vote Yes on U for our South Lake Tahoe Kids.

Wendy L. David, City Council Member

Ruth D. Rich, Parent and Former PTA and Boosters Club President

Jerry Bindel, Parent and Business Leader

Cristi Creegan, CEO, Tahoe Chamber

Chris Campion, Parent/Grandparent Retired FBI Agent



Vote Center and Drop Box Locations

LOCATION OF VOTE CENTER	ADDRESS OF VOTE CENTER	DAYS & HOURS OF OPERATION	ELECTION DAY HOURS OF OPERATION
11 Day Vote Centers			
California Welcome Center Main Room	2085 Vine St., STE 105 El Dorado Hills	10/26/2024 to 11/4/2024 8:30am to 4:30pm	Election Day 11/5/2024 7am to 8pm
Placerville Library Room to Left of the Lobby	345 Fair Lane Placerville	10/26/2024 to 11/4/2024 8:30am to 4:30pm	Election Day 11/5/2024 7am to 8pm
Lake Tahoe Community College Aspen Room	1 College Dr. South Lake Tahoe	10/26/2024 to 11/4/2024 8:30am to 4:30pm	Election Day 11/5/2024 7am to 8pm
4 Day Vote Centers			
Cameron Park CSD Gym/Multipurpose Room	2502 Country Club Dr. Cameron Park	11/02/2024 to 11/4/2024 8:30am to 4:30pm	Election Day 11/5/2024 7am to 8pm
El Dorado Hills Fire Station 85 Meeting Room	1050 Wilson Blvd. El Dorado Hills	11/02/2024 to 11/4/2024 8:30am to 4:30pm	Election Day 11/5/2024 7am to 8pm
El Dorado Hills Library Multipurpose Room to Left of Lobby	7455 Silva Valley Pkwy El Dorado Hills	11/02/2024 to 11/4/2024 8:30am to 4:30pm	Election Day 11/5/2024 7am to 8pm
Garden Valley Fire Protection District	4860 Marshall Rd Garden Valley	11/02/2024 to 11/4/2024 8:30am to 4:30pm	Election Day 11/5/2024 7am to 8pm
Placerville Town Hall Front Room of Hall	549 Main St. Placerville	11/02/2024 to 11/4/2024 8:30am to 4:30pm	Election Day 11/5/2024 7am to 8pm
Diamond Springs Firefighters Memorial Hall	3734 China Garden Rd Diamond Springs	11/02/2024 to 11/4/2024 8:30am to 4:30pm	Election Day 11/5/2024 7am to 8pm
Pollock Pines Community Center Cafeteria	2675 Sanders Dr Pollock Pines	11/02/2024 to 11/4/2024 8:30am to 4:30pm	Election Day 11/5/2024 7am to 8pm
El Dorado County Child Support Training/Meeting Room	3883 Ponderosa Rd Shingle Springs	11/02/2024 to 11/4/2024 8:30am to 4:30pm	Election Day 11/5/2024 7am to 8pm
Pioneer Park Community Center Main Hall	6740 Fairplay Rd Somerset	11/02/2024 to 11/4/2024 8:30am to 4:30pm	Election Day 11/5/2024 7am to 8pm
California Conservation Corps Upstairs	1949 Apache Ave South Lake Tahoe	11/02/2024 to 11/4/2024 8:30am to 4:30pm	Election Day 11/5/2024 7am to 8pm
1 Day Pop Up Vote Center			
Shingle Springs Health and Wellness 3 rd Floor	5168 Honpie Rd Placerville	Monday, October 28, 2024 10:00am to 3:30pm	N/A
LOCATION OF DROP BOX	ADDRESS OF DROP BOX	DAYS & HOURS OF OPERATION	ELECTION DAY HOURS OF OPERATION
El Dorado County Elections Drive up Access	3883 Ponderosa Rd Shingle Springs	10/07/2024 to 11/5/2024 24 Hours	Closes at 8pm*
Cameron Park Library Drive up Access	2500 Country Club Dr Cameron Park	10/07/2024 to 11/5/2024 24 Hours	Closes at 8pm*
Gold Country Ace Hardware Walk up access	4121 Cameron Park Dr Cameron Park	10/07/2024 to 11/5/2024 7:30am to 6pm	Closes at 8pm* Sun. 5:30pm
Wine Country Station Walk up access	3590 Carson Rd Camino	10/07/2024 to 11/5/2024 7:30am to 5:30pm	Closes at 8pm*
Holiday Market Walk up access	5030 Ellinghouse Dr Cool	10/07/2024 to 11/5/2024 7:30am to 7pm	Closes at 8pm*
Logtown Country Market Walk up access	6142 Crystal Blvd. El Dorado	10/07/2024 to 11/5/2024 24 Hours	Closes at 8pm*
El Dorado Hills Park and Ride Drive up access	4640 Post St El Dorado Hills	10/07/2024 to 11/5/2024 24 Hours	Closes at 8pm*
El Dorado Hills Library Drive up access	7455 Silva Valley Pkwy El Dorado Hills	10/07/2024 to 11/5/2024 24 Hours	Closes at 8pm*
California Welcome Center Walk up access	2085 Vine St., STE 105 El Dorado Hills	10/07/2024 to 11/5/2024 24 Hours	Closes at 8pm*
Marval Food Stores Walk up access	6049 Front St Georgetown	10/07/2024 to 11/5/2024 7:30am to 7pm	Closes at 8pm*
Building and Planning Building Drive up access	2850 Fairlane Ct, Bldg. C Placerville	10/07/2024 to 11/5/2024 24 Hours	Closes at 8pm*
Grocery Outlet Walk up access	1426 Broadway Placerville	10/07/2024 to 11/5/2024 7:00am to 8pm	Closes at 8pm*
Pioneer Park Community Center Drive up access	6740 Fairplay Rd Somerset	10/07/2024 to 11/5/2024 24 Hours	Closes at 8pm*
South Lake Tahoe Library Drive up access	1000 Rufus Allen Blvd South Lake Tahoe	10/07/2024 to 11/5/2024 24 Hours	Closes at 8pm*
Holiday Market Walk up access	2977 US Hwy 50 South Lake Tahoe	10/07/2024 to 11/5/2024 7:30am to 7pm	Closes at 8pm*
Grocery Outlet Walk up access	2358 Lake Tahoe Blvd South Lake Tahoe	10/07/2024 to 11/5/2024 7:30am to 7pm	Closes at 8pm*

NOTE: ALL DROP BOXES CLOSE AT 8PM ELECTION NIGHT