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Ballot Measure Primary Argument Submission Form

A ballot argument will not be accepted unless accompanied by this completed form, which shall contain the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the person(s) submitting it or, if submitted on behalf of a bona fide association of citizens, the name of the association and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers.

Word count limit for Primary Arguments = 300 words

Ballot Measure 5 for the special mail ballot to be held on MAY 4, 2021

Primary Argument in Favor of Primary Argument Against

This argument is submitted by (check ONLY ONE):

<input type="checkbox"/>	The County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors or the Governing Body of a School District or Special District Name of Governing Body: Contact Person's Printed Name: Phone: _____ Email: _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Member(s) of the County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors or the Governing Body of a School District or Special District Name of Governing Body: Contact Person's Printed Name: Phone: _____ Email: _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bona Fide Association of Citizens If this argument is filed by a bona fide association of citizens, the signers of the argument must be affiliated with the association and be authorized to sign the argument on its behalf. Provide the printed name and signature of at least one principal officer of the association. Name of Association: <u>Silicon Valley Taxpayers Association</u> Contact Person's Printed Name: <u>MARK HYNCE</u> Phone: _____ Email: _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Individual Voters Eligible to Vote on the Measure Contact Person's Printed Name: Phone: _____ Email: _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Combination of Voters and Associations Contact Person's Printed Name: Phone: _____ Email: _____

Arguments will be emailed to the contact person listed here for review before they are printed in the Sample Ballot & Official Voter Information Pamphlets.

Please complete the reverse side of this form.

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Primary Argument Signers Form		Author	Verified
<p>No more than five signatures shall appear with any argument. If more than five signatures are submitted, the first five listed shall be printed. Names and titles listed will be printed in the order that they are listed below. Place a checkmark in the author column if the signer is the author of the argument. A signer can only list one title.</p> <p>If the signers are part of a bona fide association, there is no requirement that they be eligible to vote on the measure. However, for each such signing individual, the title under the signer's name must list the name of that bona fide association and may include their position within that association.</p> <p>By signing below, the undersigned state that they have read the argument and believe it not to be false or misleading.</p> <p>Print information clearly.</p>		<p>Check if the signer is the author of the argument. Authors must be signers.</p>	<p>(FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY) Staff check once the eligibility of the signer is verified.</p>
1.	<p>Name: MARK W.A. HINKLE</p> <p>Phone: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Address: [REDACTED] Morgan Hill, CA 95037</p> <p>Signature: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Date: 2-11-21</p>	<p>Title: PRESIDENT: Silicon Valley Taxpayers Association</p> <p>Email: [REDACTED]</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>
2.	<p>Name: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Phone: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Address: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Signature: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Date: [REDACTED]</p>	<p>Title: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Email: [REDACTED]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>
3.	<p>Name: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Phone: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Address: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Signature: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Date: [REDACTED]</p>	<p>Title: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Email: [REDACTED]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>
4.	<p>Name: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Phone: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Address: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Signature: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Date: [REDACTED]</p>	<p>Title: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Email: [REDACTED]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>
5.	<p>Name: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Phone: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Address: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Signature: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Date: [REDACTED]</p>	<p>Title: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Email: [REDACTED]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>

Submit a second form (this side only) for alternate signers attached to this form and the argument.

Portola Valley School District \$471 Parcel Tax: Argument Against Measure S

Milton Friedman once said, "there's nothing so permanent as a 'temporary' tax". 11

With this latest "**temporary**" parcel tax, the Portola Valley School District claims they 10 need a tax increase to continue providing "**quality education**". 9

Voters in March 2020 rejected the district's "temporary" parcel tax (\$581), so they are 14 back again for another bite of your wallet/purse. You said no, but they are not listening! 17

Have they earned this extension that will cost you over \$3,768 over the next 8 years (on 17 top of the high taxes you are already paying)? 9

Let's look at latest academic performance: 6

2018-19 school year results: 13.48% **below grade level for English.** 10

2018-19 school year results: 16.63% **below grade for math.** 9

The District rewarded students, parents, and taxpayers for the passage of the 2013 13 parcel tax with a drop in math proficiency. 8

Source: California Department of Education Data Partnership – www.ed-data.org 3

It is clear to see why student enrollment is declining. 10

Should you, the voters, reward the district for dropping scores in math??? 12

If no, we encourage you to vote **NO on Measure S.** 10

This District is already spending a whopping \$30,529 per student per year, which is 14 229% ABOVE the statewide average (\$13,924) yet providing average education. Yet, 11 they want more of your hard-earned money to pad their salaries (averaging \$106,876 14 plus up to \$21,574 in benefits) and fat pension plans. 10

The measure says that none of the funds will be used for administration. But funds 15 generated separately from this parcel tax can be used for administration expenses 12 without limits. So, that is really an empty promise. Do not be fooled. 13

Tell the Portola Valley School Board to be fiscally responsible by voting **NO** 10 **on Measure S.** 2

If you reward failure, you will get more failure! 9

For more information, please visit us at www.svtaxpayers.org 8

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MARK CHURCH, Chief Elections Officer
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