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COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

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**Ballot Measure Primary Argument Submission Form**

A ballot argument will not be accepted unless accompanied by this completed **typed** 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. **Please make sure you are using proper format before submitting to the Elections Office.**

Word count limit for Primary Arguments = 300 words

Ballot Measure \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_ to be held on MARCH 5-2024

Primary Argument in Favor of  Primary Argument Against

This argument is submitted by (check ONLY ONE):

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>The County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors or the Governing Body of a School District or Special District</b>
	Name of Governing Body:
	Contact Person's Printed Name:
	Phone:
	Email:

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Member(s) of the County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors or the Governing Body of a School District or Special District</b>
	Name of Governing Body:
	Contact Person's Printed Name:
	Phone:
	Email:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Bona Fide Association of Citizens</b>
	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 HINKLE</u>
	Phone: [REDACTED]
	Email: [REDACTED]

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Individual Voters Eligible to Vote on the Measure</b>
	Contact Person's Printed Name:
	Phone:
	Email:

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Combination of Voters and Associations</b>
	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

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. Honorifics such as M.D., Dr., Esquire, etc. with a name are not accepted.

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By signing below, the undersigned state that they have read the argument and believe it not to be false or misleading.

Type information clearly.

Author      Verified

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1.	Name: <b>MARK W.A. HINKLE</b>	Title: <b>PRESIDENT - SILICON VALLEY TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Phone: [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]		
	Address: <b>MORGAN HILL, CA 95037</b>		Pronouns:	
	Signature: [REDACTED]	Date: <b>12-12-23</b>	He/His: <input type="checkbox"/>	
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2.	Name: Christopher C Minoletti	Title: Chair Pro Tempore, Libertarian Party of San Mateo County		
	Phone:	Email:		
	Address: San Mateo, CA 94402		Pronouns:	
	Signature:	Date: 12/12/2023	He/His:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
			She/Her:	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Woodside Elementary School District \$36M Bond Tax: Argument Against - Measure**

MA By [REDACTED] DEPUTY CLERK

In 2014, voters approved \$13.5 million in bond debt to: 10

“...[repair] leaking roofs, renovate heating, electrical...and meet safety code...” 10

What will this *new* bond Measure \_\_ do? 7

“...replace leaking roofs...replacing outdated HVAC systems...” 7

Apparently, roofs need replacing every 10 years, along with HVAC systems. 11

With this newest “temporary” tax, Woodside Elementary School District is going to repeat many of the same repairs as were specified in 2014’s project list, but at more than twice the cost. 18  
Actually, if you add the interest due to the lenders, it will be **more like four times the cost.** 19

Bonds are like mortgages: gigantic loans requiring payments—of both principal **and interest.** 13

**Vote NO** to tell Woodside Elementary School District’s trustees that the place for known, recurring maintenance expenses is their annual budget—not decades-long debt burdens on our children and grandchildren. 12

Next: has Woodside Elementary School District **earned** the right to collect additional taxes, costing you and your neighbors \$72million (beyond the **many** taxes you already pay)? 14 10

Let’s examine the latest available school years’ test results for English learners attaining proficiency: 14

- 2017-18: **12.92% of district children failed to meet state standards.** 11
- 2021-22: **17.58% failed to meet state standards.\*** 8

**Results worsened!** 2

Woodside Elementary School District has failed both students and taxpayers, yet they want to be rewarded from your and your neighbors’ pocketbooks. 7 12

Should you, the voter, reward those **producing a 17.58% failure rate?** 11

If you answered NO, we encourage you to vote **NO on Measure**. 12

**How about math?** 3

- 2021-22: **26.36% of district children failed to meet California standards!\*** 11

No wonder **enrollment declined by over 11%** (46 students) since 2017-18. 12



Yet, the district's administration wants more of your hard-earned money to pad their salaries and fat pension plans. 3 15

**Vote NO on Measure** . 4

Parents know: **If you reward failure, you will get more failure!** 11

For more information: SVTaxpayers.org 4

\*Source: *Education Data Partnership (Ed-Data.org)* 3