

COUNTY OF MARIN

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Voter Information Guide and Sample Ballot

GENERAL ELECTION

Tuesday, November 5, 2024

NEW SINCE THE 2020 GENERAL ELECTION

All active registered voters will be mailed a vote-by-mail ballot, starting October 7th

- Return it by mail, into an Official Drop Box, or to a Vote Center, see next pages

You may vote in person at any one of 21 Marin Vote Centers

- Vote Centers replaced polling places in 2022
- Vote Centers are open for more days, see next page for times and locations

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3501 Civic Center Drive, Room 121
San Rafael, CA 94903
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www.marinvotes.org



IN-PERSON VOTING

Vote at a Vote Center if you need a replacement ballot, did not register by October 21 deadline, prefer to vote in person or on an accessible ballot marking device. Voting is accessible at all locations.

Vote Centers will be open as listed below

- You may vote at any location, Drop Boxes at all locations
- November 5, 2024, all 21 Vote Centers open 7 am to 8 pm

**AVOID
LINES**
Vote early or
by mail

26-Day: Weekdays, Oct 7 to Nov 5; Weekends, Oct 26 - 27 and Nov 2 - 3			Pre-Election Day Hours
SAN RAFAEL	Marin County Elections Dept	3501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 121	Weekdays: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Weekends: 9 am - 5 pm (Election Day: open 7 am to 8 pm)
11-Day: Oct 26 to Nov 5		November 5 (Election Day) open 7 am to 8 pm	Pre-Election Day Hours
MARIN CITY	Marguerita C. Johnson Senior Center	640 Drake Ave	9 am - 5 pm
NOVATO	United Methodist Church	1473 S Novato Blvd	9 am - 5 pm
SAN GERONIMO	San Geronimo Valley Community Center	6350 Sir Francis Drake Blvd	9 am - 5 pm
4-Day: Nov 2 to Nov 5		November 5 (Election Day) open 7 am to 8 pm	Pre-Election Day Hours
FAIRFAX	Women's Club	46 Park Road	9 am - 5 pm
KENTFIELD	Saint Sebastian's Catholic Church	373 Bon Air Road	10 am - 6 pm
LARKSPUR	Redwoods Presbyterian Church	110 Magnolia Ave	November 2 & 4: 9 am - 5 pm November 3: noon - 8 pm
MILL VALLEY	Homestead Valley Community Center	315 Montford Ave	9 am - 5 pm
MILL VALLEY	Tam Valley Community Center	203 Marin Ave	8 am - 4 pm
NOVATO	City Hall	901 Sherman Ave	9 am - 5 pm
NOVATO	Hamilton Community Center	503 South Palm Drive	9 am - 5 pm
NOVATO	Nativity of Christ Greek Orthodox Church	1110 Highland Drive	November 2 & 4: 9 am - 5 pm November 3: 11 am - 7 pm
NOVATO	School District Offices	1015 7th Street	9 am - 5 pm
PT. REYES STATION	West Marin Health & Human Services Center	1 Sixth Street	9 am - 5 pm
SAN ANSELMO	American Legion Hall	120 Veterans Place	9 am - 5 pm
SAN RAFAEL	Health & Human Services Wellness Center	3240 Kerner Blvd	9 am - 5 pm
SAN RAFAEL	First Presbyterian Church	1510 5th Ave	November 2 & 4: 9 am - 5 pm November 3: noon - 8 pm
SAUSALITO	City Hall	420 Litho Street	9 am - 5 pm
TIBURON	Westminster Presbyterian Church	240 Tiburon Blvd	9 am - 5 pm
2-Day: BOLINAS		Community Center	14 Wharf Road
			November 4th: 9 am - 5 pm Election Day, November 5: 7 am - 8 pm
1-Day: SAN RAFAEL		Albert J. Boro Community Center	50 Canal Street
			open Election Day only November 5: 7 am - 8 pm

Vote by Mail

Ballots mailed starting October 7

All active registered voters will get a ballot in the mail.

Allow 7-10 days for delivery.

Ballot Packet

Includes ballot, instructions and postage-paid return envelope. Date and sign your return envelope.

Return ballot using one of these options:

1. Into an Official Drop Box - see below
2. Mail your ballot - must be postmarked on or before November 5 and received by November 12.
A voter can ensure that a postmark is applied to their return ballot envelope by visiting a Postal Service retail office and requesting a postmark from a retail associate.
Also: Informed delivery is a great tool – it's free! Sign up online: <https://www.usps.com/manage/informed-delivery.htm>
3. At a Vote Center - see bottom of page

Official Ballot Drop Box Locations

Open October 8 to Election Day November 5

On Election Day Drop Boxes close precisely at 8:00 pm as required by law

Exterior sites available, 24 hour drop off

Belvedere City Hall	450 San Rafael Ave (lower level)
Bolinas Community Center	14 Wharf Rd
Corte Madera Recreation Center	498 Tamalpais Dr
Kentfield - College of Marin, Diamond Physical Education Center	700 College Ave
Marin City Library	164 Donahue St
Mill Valley City Hall	26 Corte Madera Ave
Mill Valley Community Center	180 Camino Alto (parking lot)
Novato City Hall	901 Sherman Ave
Point Reyes Station - West Marin Health & Human Services Center	1 Sixth St
San Anselmo Town Hall	525 San Anselmo Ave
San Rafael - Albert J. Boro Community Center	50 Canal St
San Rafael - Marin County Civic Center North Archway drive-up South Archway walk-up	3501 Civic Center Dr (on Vera Schultz Dr) (on Peter Behr Dr)
Sausalito City Hall	420 Litho St (parking lot off Bee St)

Interior sites available during regular business hours, 8 am to 5 pm

San Rafael - Marin County Civic Center Middle Archway lobby	3501 Civic Center Dr (Judge Haley Dr)
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Vote Center Drop Boxes

Each Vote Center will have a vote-by-mail Drop Box. See Vote Center page for open days and hours, or check marinvotes.org.



INFORMATION

Candidate Endorsements by Qualified Political Parties

Political Party Endorsements are published pursuant to California Elections Code Sec. 13302(b). Parties may endorse candidates for voter-nominated offices.

Party/Offices	Candidates
Republican Party U.S. Representative District 2 State Assembly District 12	Chris Coulombe Andy Podshadley
Democratic Party U.S. Senate (Full Term) U.S. Senate (Partial/Unexpired Term) U.S. Representative District 2 State Assembly District 12	Adam Schiff Adam Schiff Jared Huffman Damon Connolly
American Independent Party State Assembly District 12	Damon Connolly

No other parties submitted endorsements.

Source: State political party central committee notification letters to Registrar of Voters as of August 14, 2024. Parties are listed in order according to the randomized alphabet drawing conducted by Marin County on August 15, 2024.

CAMPAIGN FINANCE PLEDGE

The following candidates for California State Assembly District 12 have pledged to abide by campaign spending limits as specified in California Government Code Sec. 85400 and may publish a 250-word statement of qualifications in this voter guide. Candidates are listed in order according to the randomized alphabet drawing conducted by Marin County on August 15, 2024.

- Andy Podshadley, REP
- Damon Connolly, DEM

Office of United States Senate



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.

Information on Electioneering and the Voting Process

WARNING:

ELECTIONEERING PROHIBITED!

Violations can lead to fines and/or imprisonment.

“Electioneering” is defined as “the visible display or audible dissemination of information that advocates for or against any candidate or measure on the ballot” and is prohibited within 100 feet of the entrance to the building that contains a polling place or vote center and within 100 feet of an outside location, such as a ballot drop box. (Elections Code section 319.5) For additional information on the prohibitions of electioneering, please visit our website at www.marinvotes.org

WARNING:

CORRUPTING THE VOTING PROCESS IS PROHIBITED!

Violations can lead to fines and/or imprisonment.

For additional information on what constitutes corruption of the voting process, please visit our website at www.marinvotes.org



Don't be late!

Did you know that a top reason why we can't count a ballot is because of a late postmark? Return your ballot before Election Day.

Voting Options



- Vote by Mail using the ballot sent to you
- In Person at any Vote Center
- Remote Accessible Vote by Mail (RAVBM)

Refer to pages printed in this guide for more information.

SAMPLE BALLOT

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SAMPLE BALLOT November 5, 2024, General Election Marin County, 2nd Congressional, 2nd Senate, 12th Assembly

Instructions to Voters: At vote center, use pen provided. By mail, use a ball point pen with blue or black ink. **NO RED INK. NO PENCIL.**

- To vote for a candidate, fill in the oval to the left of the candidate's name, like this .
- To vote for only the number of candidates allowed for each office.
- To vote for a qualified write-in candidate, fill in the oval to the left of the blank line for that office and write the name of the person on the line. (Qualified means a person who has filed to be a write-in candidate.)
- To vote on a proposition or measure, fill in the oval to the left of YES or NO, like this .
- If you make a mistake or damage your ballot, ask an election worker for another ballot. Vote by mail voters call the Elections Office at 415-473-6456 for instructions.
- Keep your vote secret. Do not sign or initial your ballot. Do not mark your ballot outside of the ovals.

PARTY-NOMINATED OFFICES	MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY
Candidates for these offices are the official nominee of the party displayed with their name.	District Twelve Candidates to the Assembly Vote for One (1) Party Preference: REP
PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT	<input type="radio"/> ANDY PODSHADLEY Winemaker / Business Owner
Nominees of the qualified political parties and independent nominees for President and Vice President	<input type="radio"/> DAMON CONNOLLY California State Assemblymember
Vote for One (1) Party: _____	DEM
<input type="radio"/> JILL STEIN RUDOLPH WARE	NONPARTISAN OFFICES
<input type="radio"/> DONALD J. TRUMP JD VANCE	SCHOOL
<input type="radio"/> CLAUDIA DE LA CRUZ KARINA GARCIA	Tamalpais Union High School District Governing Board Member Vote for no more than Two (2)
<input type="radio"/> KAMALA D. HARRIS TIM WALZ	<input type="radio"/> IDA TIMES-GREEN Senior Program Coordinator
<input type="radio"/> ROBERT F. KENNEDY JR. NICOLE SHANAHAN	<input type="radio"/> JENNIFER "JENNY" HOLDEN Mother / Small Businessowner
<input type="radio"/> CHASE OLIVER MIKE TER MAAT	<input type="radio"/> A. RAY CHAUDHURI Parent / Educational Advisor
<input type="radio"/> _____	<input type="radio"/> AMOS KLAUSNER Parent
<input type="radio"/> _____	<input type="radio"/> NICHOLAS ONDREJKA Business Owner / Parent
VOTER-NOMINATED AND NONPARTISAN OFFICES	<input type="radio"/> _____

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<p>Candidates display a party preference (or None) for the information of voters. This is not a party endorsement or approval. The party preference of nonpartisan office candidates does not appear on the ballot.</p>	
UNITED STATES SENATOR	
<p>There are two U.S. Senate contests on this ballot.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One for the regular 6-year term ending January 3, 2031 • One for the remainder of the current term ending January 3, 2025 <p>You may vote for both contests.</p>	
Full Term Candidates to the United States Senate	
Vote for One (1)	Party Preference:
<input type="radio"/> ADAM B. SCHIFF United States Representative	DEM
<input type="radio"/> STEVE GARVEY Professional Baseball Representative	REP
Partial/Unexpired Term Candidates to the United States Senate	
Vote for One (1)	Party Preference:
<input type="radio"/> ADAM B. SCHIFF United States Representative	DEM
<input type="radio"/> STEVE GARVEY Professional Baseball Representative	REP
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE	
District Two Candidates to the United States House of Representatives	
Vote for One (1)	Party Preference:
<input type="radio"/> CHRIS COULOMBE Small Business Owner	REP
<input type="radio"/> JARED HUFFMAN U. S. Representative	DEM

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MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS	
STATE	SCHOOL
<p>PROPOSITION 2</p> <p>AUTHORIZES BONDS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE FACILITIES. LEGISLATIVE STATUTE.</p> <p>Authorizes \$10 billion in general obligation bonds for repair, upgrade, and construction of facilities at K-12 public schools (including charter schools), community colleges, and career technical education programs, including for improvement of health and safety conditions and classroom upgrades. Requires annual audits. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs of about \$500 million annually for 35 years to repay the bond. Supporters: California Teachers Association; California School Nurses Organization; Community College League of California Opponents: Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p>PROPOSITION 32</p> <p>RAISES MINIMUM WAGE. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Raises minimum wage as follows: For employers with 26 or more employees, to \$17 immediately, \$18 on January 1, 2025. For employers with 25 or fewer employees, to \$17 on January 1, 2025, \$18 on January 1, 2026. Fiscal Impact: State and local government costs could increase or decrease by up to hundreds of millions of dollars annually. State and local revenues likely would decrease by no more than a few hundred million dollars annually. Supporters: None submitted Opponents: California Chamber of Commerce; California Restaurant Association; California Grocers Association</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
<p>PROPOSITION 3</p> <p>CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO MARRIAGE. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.</p> <p>Amends California Constitution to recognize fundamental right to marry, regardless of sex or race. Removes language in California Constitution stating that marriage is only between a man and a woman. Fiscal Impact: No change in revenues or costs for state and local governments. Supporters: Sierra Pacific Synod of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Dolores Huerta Foundation; Equality California Opponents: Jonathan Keller, California Family Council; Rev. Tanner DiBella</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p>MEASURE B</p> <p>To complete high priority repairs and upgrades at local high schools, including replacing classrooms/ science labs/ technology; repairing/ replacing leaky roofs and inefficient heating/ cooling/ electrical/ plumbing systems; updating art/ music classrooms/ facilities; and replacing outdated portable classrooms, shall Tamalpais Union High School District's measure be adopted authorizing \$289,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying \$18 per \$100,000 assessed value while bonds are outstanding (\$20,700,000 annually) with independent oversight, audits, no funds for administrators and all funds locally controlled?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> BONDS YES <input type="radio"/> BONDS NO</p> <p>Kentfield School District</p>
<p>PROPOSITION 4</p> <p>AUTHORIZES BONDS FOR SAFE DRINKING WATER, WILDFIRE PREVENTION, AND PROTECTING COMMUNITIES AND NATURAL LANDS FROM CLIMATE RISKS. LEGISLATIVE STATUTE. Authorizes \$10 billion in general obligation bonds for water, wildfire prevention, and protection of communities and lands. Requires annual audits. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs of about</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p>MEASURE E</p> <p>Kentfield School District Safe, Warm and Dry Schools Measure. To repair and upgrade Bacich Elementary School and Kent Middle School; repair or replace failing roofs; protect safe drinking water; repair deteriorating student restrooms and plumbing; and improve campus fencing, energy and security, shall Kentfield School District's measure be adopted authorizing \$48,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying \$29 per \$100,000 of assessed value (\$3,600,000 annually) while bonds are outstanding, requiring independent oversight, annual audits and all funds locally controlled for Kentfield schools only?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> BONDS YES <input type="radio"/> BONDS NO</p>
<p>PROPOSITION 3</p> <p>EXPANDS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS' AUTHORITY TO ENACT RENT CONTROL ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Repeals Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act of 1995, which currently prohibits local ordinances limiting initial residential rental rates for new tenants or rent increases for existing tenants in certain residential properties. Fiscal Impact: Reduction in local property tax revenues of at least tens of millions of dollars annually due to likely expansion of rent control in some communities. Supporters: CA Nurses Assoc.; CA Alliance for Retired Americans; Mental Health Advocacy; Coalition for Economic Survival; Tenants Together Opponents: California Council for Affordable Housing; Women Veterans Alliance; California Chamber of Commerce</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<p>PROPOSITION 34</p> <p>RESTRICTS SPENDING OF PRESCRIPTION DRUG REVENUES BY CERTAIN HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Requires certain providers to spend 98% of revenues from federal discount prescription drug program on direct patient care. Authorizes statewide negotiation of Medi-Cal drug prices. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs, likely in the millions of dollars annually, to enforce new</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p>

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\$400 million annually for 40 years to repay the bond. **Supporters:** Clean Water Action; CALFIRE Firefighters; National Wildlife Federation; The Nature Conservancy
Opponents: Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association

YES NO

PROPOSITION 5

ALLOWS LOCAL BONDS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE WITH 55% VOTER APPROVAL. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Allows approval of local infrastructure and housing bonds for low- and middle-income Californians with 55% vote. Accountability requirements. **Fiscal Impact:** Increased local borrowing to fund affordable housing, supportive housing, and public infrastructure. The amount would depend on decisions by local governments and voters. Borrowing would be repaid with higher property taxes. **Supporters:** California Professional Firefighters; League of Women Voters of California; Habitat for Humanity California **Opponents:** California Taxpayers Association; California Hispanic Chambers of Commerce; Women Veterans Alliance

YES NO

PROPOSITION 6

ELIMINATES CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISION ALLOWING INVOLUNTARY SERVITUDE FOR INCARCERATED PERSONS. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Amends the California Constitution to remove current provision that allows jails and prisons to impose involuntary servitude to punish crime (*i.e.*, forcing incarcerated persons to work). **Fiscal Impact:** Potential increase or decrease in state and local costs, depending on how work for people in state prison and county jail changes. Any effect likely would not exceed the tens of millions of dollars annually. **Supporters:** Assemblymember Lori Wilson **Opponents:** None submitted

YES NO

rules on certain health care entities. Affected entities would pay fees to cover these costs. **Supporters:** The ALS Association; California Chronic Care Coalition; Latino Heritage Los Angeles **Opponents:** National Org. for Women; Consumer Watchdog; Coalition for Economic Survival; AIDS Healthcare Foundation; Dolores Huerta

YES NO

PROPOSITION 35

PROVIDES PERMANENT FUNDING FOR MEDI-CAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Makes permanent the existing tax on managed health care insurance plans, which, if approved by the federal government, provides revenues to pay for Medi-Cal health care services. **Fiscal Impact:** Short-term state costs between roughly \$1 billion and \$2 billion annually to increase funding for certain health programs. Total funding increase between roughly \$2 billion to \$5 billion annually. Unknown long-term fiscal effects. **Supporters:** Planned Parenthood Affiliates of CA; American College of Obstetricians & Gynecologists; American Academy of Pediatrics, CA **Opponents:** None submitted

YES NO

PROPOSITION 36

ALLOWS FELONY CHARGES AND INCREASES SENTENCES FOR CERTAIN DRUG AND THEFT CRIMES. INITIATIVE STATUTE. Allows felony charges for possessing certain drugs and for thefts under \$950, if defendant has two prior drug or theft convictions. **Fiscal Impact:** State criminal justice costs likely ranging from several tens of millions of dollars to the low hundreds of millions of dollars annually. Local criminal justice costs likely in the tens of millions of dollars annually. **Supporters:** Crime Victims United of California; California District Attorneys Association; Family Business Association of California **Opponents:** Diana Becton, District Attorney Contra Costa County; Crime Survivors for Safety and Justice

YES NO

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VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE

The following pages contain:

CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS

The names of all candidates for an office are listed on the Sample Ballot. Submitting a candidate statement is optional, so this guide may not contain statements for all candidates. The statement is printed as submitted, and is printed at the expense of the candidate unless otherwise determined by the governing body.

MEASURE INFORMATION

Arguments in “support of” or in “opposition to” the proposed laws are the opinions of the authors.

Rebuttals to arguments are the opinions of the authors.



VOTER REGISTRATION HELP KEEP VOTER ROLLS UP TO DATE

- Is your residence address current?
- Is your party affiliation accurate?

Check the Voter Status page on the Secretary of State's website
voterstatus.sos.ca.gov

Email: elections@marincounty.org or Call: 415-473-6456

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
United States Representative, District 2**

CHRIS COULOMBE

Occupation: Small Business Owner

Education and Qualifications: We clearly cannot continue down our present political path. We can and must choose a better future.

Partisan politics is destroying our environment, our economy, and our children's future. This is our country; it is time for all of us to stand.

It is no longer about party lines. It is about addressing our reality and our future as a country instead of seeking partisan gain.

We need clear-eyed leaders with well-rounded experience and vision ready to address those challenges and stay focused on the big picture... focused on moving America forward.

I was born and raised in Sonoma County. After earning my Eagle Scout, I enlisted in the military at 18 and returned home as an infantry captain 16-years later. I earned my BA in politics from the University of San Francisco and my MA in Diplomacy from Norwich University.

With 24-years of military, business, and policy experience to represent our 2nd District, and your help, we can protect the environment, rebuild small businesses and the middle class to better our children's future.

This is our home and we must protect it. Together, we can lead that change.

It is my honor to ask for your vote to serve our country again.

ChrisToCongress.com

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
United States Representative, District 2**

JARED HUFFMAN

Occupation: U.S. Representative

Education and Qualifications: I'm getting things done despite political chaos in Washington. By putting people over politics, I've delivered results – the \$400M Golden Gate Bridge seismic retrofit, crucial funding for water supply improvements, zero-emission busses and charging infrastructure, public housing improvements, veterans housing, bike and pedestrian pathways, kelp forest restoration and more.

The prescription drug pricing reform I championed – the first in decades – caps insulin costs for seniors at \$35/month and starting next year total drug costs for seniors will never exceed \$2,000/year.

I spearheaded laws to modernize America's infrastructure – improving roads and bridges, connecting underserved communities with high-speed broadband, modernizing electrical grids, expanding renewable energy and building a national EV charging network.

We're finally taking bold action on the climate crisis and I'm leading the charge to do much more.

I work across the aisle whenever possible, as with my bipartisan initiative that raised IDEA special education funding by \$2.5 billion and my rural hospital bill.

But when democracy, the rule of law, or our fundamental freedoms are threatened, I fight back. That's why I founded the Stop Project 2025 Task Force - to confront the dangerous authoritarian scheme pushed by Donald Trump and his allies to eliminate checks and balances, impose a nationwide abortion ban, rollback civil rights and end Medicare as we know it. Not on my watch.

As a senior member of committees on Natural Resources and Transportation and Infrastructure, you can count on me to keep delivering results.

I would be honored by your vote.

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATURA PARA
Representante de los Estados Unidos, Distrito 2**

CHRIS COULOMBE

Ocupación: Propietario de un negocio pequeño

Educación y calificaciones: Está claro que no podemos seguir por el camino político actual. Podemos y debemos elegir un futuro mejor.

La política partidista está destruyendo nuestro medio ambiente, nuestra economía y el futuro de nuestros hijos. Este es nuestro país; es hora de que nos pongamos de pie.

Ya no se trata de los partidos. Sino que se trata de aceptar nuestra realidad y nuestro futuro como país, en lugar de buscar que gane un partido u otro.

Necesitamos líderes lúcidos con experiencia y visión integrales, listos para enfrentarse a esos desafíos y mantenerse enfocados en el panorama general... enfocados en hacer avanzar a los Estados Unidos.

Nací y me crié en el condado de Sonoma. Después de obtener mi Eagle Scout, me alisté en el ejército a los 18 años y regresé a casa como capitán de infantería 16 años después. Obtuve mi licenciatura en Política en la Universidad de San Francisco y mi maestría en Diplomacia en la Universidad de Norwich.

Con mis 24 años de experiencia militar, empresarial y política para representar a nuestro 2° distrito, y su ayuda, podemos proteger el medio ambiente, reconstruir las pequeñas empresas y la clase media, y mejorar el futuro de nuestros hijos.

Esta es nuestra casa, y debemos protegerla. Juntos podemos ser líderes de ese cambio.

Para mí es un honor pedir su voto para volver a servir a nuestro país.

ChrisToCongress.com

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATURA PARA
Representante de los Estados Unidos, Distrito 2**

JARED HUFFMAN

Ocupación: Departamento Representante

Educación y calificaciones: Estoy haciendo mi trabajo a pesar del caos político en Washington. Al poner a las personas por encima de la política, he obtenido resultados: la rehabilitación sísmica del puente Golden Gate por valor de \$400 millones, el financiamiento crucial para mejoras en el suministro de agua, autobuses de cero emisiones e infraestructura de recarga, mejoras en viviendas públicas, viviendas para veteranos de guerra, senderos para bicicletas y peatones, restauración de bosques de algas marinas y mucho más.

La reforma de precios de medicamentos que requieren receta que defendí, la primera en décadas, limita los costos de la insulina para adultos mayores a \$35 al mes y, a partir del próximo año, el costo total de medicamentos para los adultos mayores no superarán los \$2,000 al año.

Impulsé leyes para modernizar la infraestructura de los Estados Unidos: mejora de carreteras y puentes, conexión con banda ancha de alta velocidad a comunidades desatendidas, modernización de las redes eléctricas, expansión de las energías renovables y edificación de una red nacional de recarga de vehículos eléctricos.

Finalmente estamos tomando medidas audaces para combatir la crisis climática y estoy liderando la lucha para hacer mucho más.

Colaboro con la oposición siempre que puedo, como ocurre con mi iniciativa bipartidista que aumentó los fondos de educación especial de IDEA en \$2.5 mil millones y mi proyecto de ley para hospitales rurales.

Sin embargo, cuando la democracia, la ley y nuestras libertades fundamentales se ven amenazadas, doy pelea. Es por ello que fundé el grupo de trabajo destinado a detener el Proyecto 2025, para hacer frente al peligroso plan autoritario impulsado por Donald Trump y sus aliados, que busca eliminar los controles y balances, imponer una prohibición al aborto en toda la nación, reducir los derechos civiles y poner fin a Medicare tal como lo conocemos. Esto no sucederá mientras yo esté a cargo.

En mi calidad de miembro principal de los comités de Recursos Naturales y de Transporte e Infraestructura, prometo seguir obteniendo resultados.

Para mí será un honor contar con su voto.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
Member State Assembly, District 12**

DAMON CONNOLLY

Occupation: California State Assemblymember

Education and Qualifications: It is my privilege to serve as your State Assemblymember, ensuring that an experienced local voice represents Marin and Sonoma counties in Sacramento.

Endorsed by the Sierra Club, California Professional Firefighters, California Teachers Association, local Labor Unions, and Planned Parenthood Northern California Action Fund, I'm a principled progressive and consensus builder who gets things done.

In just one term in office, I've delivered real results, successfully getting five bills signed into law that will keep body armor out of the hands of mass shooters, ensure addictive tobacco products are not sold to teenagers, protect renters living in mobile home parks, reduce teen suicides, and cap the fees charged for residential solar projects. I also continue to build support for legislation to prevent toxic pesticide spraying along our highways.

On top of these legislative wins, I also secured \$5 million in state funding for projects throughout the North Bay for parks, firefighting equipment, affordable housing, and science education.

I have been fighting for our communities for 18 years, including service as a Marin County Supervisor, Vice-Mayor of San Rafael, School Board President, California Deputy Attorney General and now, as your State Assemblymember and local voice in Sacramento.

My values are North Bay values, forged by living here for more than 25 years. As your State Assemblymember, I will continue to fight for our priorities in Sacramento: wildfire prevention and home insurance, clean energy, environmental protection, protecting women's healthcare, equal rights, and more.

I hope to earn your vote to continue this important work together.

<https://www.damonconnolly.com>

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**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATURA PARA
Miembro de la Asamblea Estatal, Distrito 12**

DAMON CONNOLLY

Ocupación: Asambleísta del Estado de California

Educación y calificaciones: Es un privilegio para mí servir como asambleísta estatal, asegurando que una voz local experimentada represente a los condados de Marin y Sonoma en Sacramento.

Respaldado por el Sierra Club, los Bomberos Profesionales de California, la Asociación de Maestros de California, los sindicatos locales y el Fondo de Acción del Norte de California de Planificación Familiar, soy un progresista de principios y un creador de consenso que sabe obtener resultados.

En apenas un mandato, he logrado resultados reales: logré que se promulguen cinco proyectos de ley que mantendrán los chalecos antibalas fuera del alcance de los tiradores en masa, que se garantice que no se vendan productos de tabaco adictivos a los adolescentes, que se proteja a los inquilinos que viven en parques de casas móviles, que se reduzcan los suicidios de adolescentes y que se limiten los cargos que se cobran por proyectos solares residenciales. Además, sigo ganando apoyo para que se implementen leyes que eviten que se rocíen pesticidas tóxicos en los márgenes de nuestras autopistas.

Además de estas victorias legislativas, también obtuve \$5 millones en fondos estatales destinados a proyectos en todo el Norte de la Bahía para parques, equipos contra incendios, viviendas de precio accesible y educación en ciencias.

Llevo 18 años luchando por nuestras comunidades, incluido el servicio como supervisor del Condado de Marin, Vicealcalde de San Rafael, Presidente de la Junta Escolar, Fiscal General adjunto de California y ahora, como su Asambleísta Estatal y voz local en Sacramento.

Mis valores son los valores del Norte de la Bahía, forjados en los más de 25 años que llevo viviendo en ese lugar. Como su Asambleísta Estatal, continuaré luchando por nuestras prioridades en Sacramento: prevención de incendios forestales y seguros para el hogar, energía limpia, protección ambiental, protección de la atención médica de las mujeres, igualdad de derechos y más.

Espero ganar su voto para seguir trabajando juntos.

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
Tamalpais Union High School District
Governing Board Member**

IDA TIMES-GREEN

Occupation: Senior Program Coordinator

Education and Qualifications: As a life-long resident of Marin City, a fourth generation Tamalpais High School graduate, and former school board member, I recognize the importance of education.

Having served eight years as a Board Trustee with the Sausalito-Marin City School District, I bring a proven track record of building consensus to achieve collaborative outcomes. I work well with others and respect different perspectives. I am goal-oriented and comfortable taking risks.

I possess a bachelor's degree in Humanities and Cultural Studies from Dominican University, and a master's degree in social work from California State University East Bay. My professional experience includes formerly serving as Social Service case manager with County Behavioral Health & Recovery Services and currently serving as Sr. Program Coordinator for County of Marin Health & Human Services.

As your representative on the Tamalpais Union High School District Board, I will apply my experience in education, student achievement, and social services to attain better outcomes for our schools and students. I am deeply committed to improving student achievement, specifically among students of color, and closing the gaps to success for all students.

Student achievement for all students is obtainable. I look forward to working with you to ensure all students thrive.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
Tamalpais Union High School District
Governing Board Member**

JENNIFER HOLDEN

Occupation: Mother / Small Businessowner

Education and Qualifications: As a proud mother of three children, all of whom have attended or are currently attending schools within the district, I understand the challenges and opportunities our students face.

I have been deeply involved in our public schools for years, volunteering in various capacities since my children were in elementary school. Currently, I am serving my third year as a Board Member of the Archie Williams High School Falcon Foundation, focusing on securing the resources our students need to thrive.

My candidacy is grounded in my experience as a dedicated community member and parent. I am passionate about creating and supporting an education system that not only focuses on academic standards but also nurtures critical thinking and intellectual growth for all students. Our schools must be equipped with the necessary resources to support our outstanding teachers and implement programs that meet the diverse needs of all students districtwide, while being fiscally prudent.

Let's work hand in hand to build a brighter future for our children and our community. I am honored to have earned endorsements from district parents, community leaders, small business owners, elected officials, and others. I humbly ask for your vote. Learn more at Jennifer4SchoolBoard.Org

**DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATURA PARA
Distrito Escolar Tamalpais Union High
Miembro de la Junta Directiva**

IDA TIMES-GREEN

Ocupación: Coordinadora en Jefe del Programa

Educación y calificaciones: Como habitante de Marin City durante toda mi vida, graduada de la cuarta generación de la escuela secundaria Tamalpais High School y antigua miembro de la junta escolar, reconozco la importancia de la educación.

Tras ocho años de formar parte de la Junta Directiva del Distrito Escolar de Sausalito-Marin City, apporto un historial demostrado de creación de consenso para obtener resultados en colaboración. Trabajo bien con los demás y respeto las distintas perspectivas. Me oriento al alcance de objetivos y me resulta cómodo asumir riesgos.

Poseo una licenciatura en Humanidades y Estudios Culturales de la Dominican University y una maestría en Trabajo Social de la California State University East Bay. Mi experiencia profesional incluye haber trabajado como administradora de casos de servicios sociales en los Servicios de Salud Conductual y Recuperación del Condado y, actualmente, como Coordinadora en Jefe de programas de Servicios Humanos y de Salud del Condado de Marin.

Como su representante en la Junta del Distrito Escolar Tamalpais Union High, aplicaré mi experiencia en educación, logro estudiantil y servicios sociales con el fin de obtener mejores resultados para nuestras escuelas y estudiantes. Estoy profundamente comprometida con mejorar el rendimiento de los estudiantes, especialmente entre los estudiantes de color, y con cerrar las brechas del camino que conduce al éxito de todos los estudiantes.

El aprovechamiento escolar de todos los alumnos es posible. Deseo y espero trabajar con ustedes para garantizar que todos los alumnos puedan prosperar.

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
Tamalpais Union High School District
Governing Board Member**

AMOS KLAUSNER

Occupation: Parent

Education and Qualifications: As a parent of a high school student, a former school board trustee for the Lagunitas School District, husband to a longtime Marin County public school teacher, and current member of the Marin County Committee on School District Reorganization, I understand the issues that impact our school districts, our parent communities, and our children.

My time as a school board trustee coincided with the COVID-19 outbreak. It was challenging for everyone, especially our kids. It required open communication across stakeholder groups and difficult decision making around health and safety, financial accountability, and academics. With a public school teacher in the family, I appreciate how hard our teachers work and how important great teachers are to our children's success.

As part of a county committee, I listen and respond to the needs of taxpayers. If approved, the current Tamalpais Union High School District bond proposal brings an obligation on the part of administrators and the governing board to assure families and taxpayers that this money is well spent. If elected, I will apply tested leadership experience to the district's use of bond proposal monies as well as the annual budget to assure that every dollar benefits our kids and communities.

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
Tamalpais Union High School District
Governing Board Member**

NICHOLAS ONDREJKA

Age: 52

Occupation: Business Owner, Parent

Education and Qualifications: I grew up and attended public schools in Santa Barbara, California. I earned my Bachelors degree in European History and Italian Studies and my Masters of Business Administration from the University of Pennsylvania.

I moved to San Francisco in 1996 and served over 25 years in leadership roles in technology and financial services. With this experience, I will bring a strong focus on fiscal responsibility, technology investments, and support for our students, teachers and staff.

In 2016, my family and I moved to Corte Madera where my oldest child enrolled at Redwood. In 2018, I was asked to join the TUHSD's Fiscal Advisory Committee where I learned about the financial aspects and governance of the District. I was honored to receive a Certificate of Appreciation for my service and was inspired to ultimately seek a Board Member position.

In 2023, I started a new property restoration business serving our community. I have a great passion and focus for learning and education for myself, my family and our community. All three of my children have attended or are attending school in the District. I am committed to striving for the best possible educational opportunities for our local high school students balanced with the needs of our community.

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MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS
SCHOOL
TAMALPAIS UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEASURE B
<p>To complete high priority repairs and upgrades at local high schools, including replacing classrooms/ science labs/ technology; repairing/ replacing leaky roofs and inefficient heating/ cooling/ electrical/ plumbing systems; updating art/ music classrooms/ facilities; and replacing outdated portable classrooms, shall Tamalpais Union High School District's measure be adopted authorizing \$289,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying \$18 per \$100,000 assessed value while bonds are outstanding (\$20,700,000 annually) with independent oversight, audits, no funds for administrators and all funds locally controlled?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> BONDS - YES <input type="radio"/> BONDS - NO</p>

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL

TAMALPAIS UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOND MEASURE

MEASURE B

This Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Trustees of the Tamalpais Union High School District.

Pursuant to Article XIII A (1)(b)(3) of the California Constitution, if this measure is approved by 55% of the votes cast, the Tamalpais Union High School District will be authorized to incur bonded indebtedness in multiple series of up to two hundred eighty-nine million dollars (\$289,000,000) with an interest rate not to exceed the limit set by law.

Money raised by bond sales may only be used for the purposes and projects stated in the Bond Project List set forth in Measure B. These purposes and projects include, but are not limited to, replacing and/or expanding classroom buildings at Tamalpais High School, Redwood High School and Archie Williams High School, as well as other priority projects. As required by law, Measure B prohibits using bond proceeds for teacher and administrator salaries or other operating expenses.

The District estimates the average projected tax rate necessary to fund the bonds will be \$17.60 per \$100,000 of assessed value of property while the bonds are outstanding. This estimate is a projection, and could go up or down, depending on a number of factors including the timing and amount of bond sales, and changes in assessed property values in the District. If all the bonds are sold, the District estimates total debt service (including the principal and interest) will be approximately \$579,200,000. If the bond issuance is authorized, it will commence in fiscal year 2025-26 and the final fiscal year in which it is anticipated that the revenue will be collected is 2052-53.

The Measure requires annual independent financial audits and spending review by an independent citizens' oversight committee.

s/BRIAN E. WASHINGTON
County Counsel

TAX RATE STATEMENT

MEASURE B

An election will be held within the boundaries of Tamalpais Union High School District (“District”) on November 5, 2024 to authorize the sale of up to \$289 million 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, a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction and other demonstrable factors, is estimated to be \$17.60 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected is 2052-53.

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, a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction and other demonstrable factors, is estimated to be \$17.60 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation first occurring in fiscal year 2025-26.

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 \$579.2 million.

Voters should note that the estimated tax rate is based on the ASSESSED VALUE of taxable property on the Marin 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. For illustration purposes only, a home with the current approximate median residential assessed value in the District of \$1.1 million (as of 2023-24) would pay approximately \$194 in initial annual property taxes based on the tax rate of \$17.60 per \$100,000 of assessed value. Annual increases in the assessed value of a property (without an ownership change or reassessment) are limited to 2% and other limitations provided by Proposition 13 from 1978.

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.

Dr. Tara Taupier, Superintendent

In accordance with Education Code Section 15122.5:

Approval of Measure B does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Tamalpais Union High School District that are the subject of bonds under Measure B will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure B. 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.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE B

Vote YES on B: a responsible plan to replace outdated and deteriorating high school classrooms and prevent cuts to instructional programs.

Our local high schools in Tamalpais Union High School District consistently **rank among the best.**

Aging and deteriorating classrooms, labs, and school facilities need urgent upgrades to **keep students safe and support quality instruction.**

Most local high schools are over 60 years old and Tam High is over 100 years old. The last improvement bond passed almost **two decades ago.**

Following the narrow defeat of a bond measure earlier this year, Tamalpais Union High School District leaders **worked with the community** to develop **a scaled-down proposal focused on only the most essential projects. Measure B is the result.**

Measure B is 45% smaller than the last measure and will provide \$289,000,000 in locally controlled funding that is **equitably distributed** to specific projects **at each high school.**

The State does not fund facility improvements so **upgrades to local high schools require local funding.** Without Measure B, **funds would have to be diverted from teaching and classroom instruction** to urgent roof and HVAC repairs for schools to function.

Voting Yes on B funds only urgent and essential improvements:

- Replacing the most outdated and obsolete classrooms, science labs, classroom technology, and equipment
- Repairing leaky roofs and inefficient heating, cooling, electrical, and plumbing systems
- Converting outdated and deteriorating temporary portable classrooms to permanent structures

Mandatory fiscal accountability and local control:

- A **detailed project list** describes specifically how funds would be used
- **Independent oversight, audits, and public spending** disclosures ensure funds are spent as promised
- **Every penny is locally controlled** and cannot be taken by the State
- No funds can be used for administrator salaries

Protecting quality education in local schools is **good for students, good for our community, and good for home values.**

Join trusted local leaders in voting Yes on B.

JARED HUFFMAN

U.S. Congressman, California's 2nd District

STEPHANIE MOULTON-PETERS

Marin County Supervisor, District 3

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MARIN COUNTY

Kevin M. Hagerty, President

CHUCK FORD

Former TUHSD Trustee & 50-year Marin resident

BITSA FREEMAN

Marin Native, TUHSD Alum and Parent, Realtor

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE B

No rebuttal to argument in favor of Measure B was filed.

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE B

People have reached their limits and ability to pay more taxes, Measure B directs money to aspirational “vanity” projects. There are no senior exemptions and no plans to ensure improved academic performance.

No money goes to reversing weak academic performance. California’s school-dashboard shows TUHSD performing poorly <https://www.caschooldashboard.org/> Instead of a reasonable parcel tax for improved academics, that allows senior exemptions, the Board opts for new construction at Redwood: a \$73,100,000 kitchen remodel, new multipurpose “eating area” and replacing art and music buildings with new, larger ones. These are not “critical” safety needs as the Board claims in order to scare voters.

While identifying only \$80,000,000 in “critical” needs for roofs and HVAC earlier this year, now they redefine everything they want as a critical need. That balloons the bond measure to \$289,000,000 (\$579,200,000 with interest). Much of what they deem “critical” is of their own creation – deferring maintenance while funding ten new senior administrator positions. Students deserve that money directed back to their education.

Measure B offers no exemptions for seniors or low-income families who will be pushed out of Marin by increasing taxes, insurance, and utility bills.

When enrollment is declining and many students are struggling, new fancy buildings shouldn’t be the top priority.

To regain Archie Williams High School area voters, who were shortchanged in failed Measure A, this bond adds a non-critical \$11,300,000 AWHs theater renovation. AWHs voters are still shortchanged at receiving only 14.3% of the bond proceeds.

Who wants all this Tam Union construction? Most of the roughly \$270,000 contributed to political campaigns to pass these 2024 Tam Union bond measures comes from companies who will profit financially.

The board must prioritize fixing Tam Union’s REAL problems: declining academic performance, not “vanity” projects. Voters will approve a smaller bond or parcel tax if there’s demonstrated need.

Vote NO.

BENEDETTO CICO
Business Owner

PASCAL SISICH
Former Planning Commissioner, Library & Sales Tax
Oversight Committee Member

KATHY FLORES
District Resident & Voter

DIANA K. PERDUE
Retired Senior

MICHAEL MACKINTOSH
Local Business Owner

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE B

The opponents are wrong and are spreading misinformation.

Misinformation: Local high schools are performing poorly.

Truth: Academic performance in our schools is among the best in the State and Nation. The opposition is intentionally misrepresenting TUHSD’s academic performance via the Dashboard. 98% of TUHSD students graduate, 80% meet University of California entrance requirements, and admission rates to elite colleges rival that of private schools.

Misinformation: Measure B funds nonessential “vanity” projects.

Truth: Following the narrow defeat of Measure A, TUHSD listened to the community and reduced the proposal by 44% to focus on the most urgent and essential needs (tuhsdfacilities.org). The opponents’ misleading description of a \$73 million kitchen remodel is in fact a multi-pronged project to replace several of Redwood’s oldest, deteriorating, and obsolete buildings. They must be replaced, not remodeled, as required by state law, and do not expand capacity.

Misinformation: Archie Williams High School gets 14% of the funding.

Truth: Archie Williams High gets 21% of Measure B funding, which is roughly equivalent to its percentage of district enrollment at 25%.

Misinformation: Measure B offers no exemptions.

Truth: State law does not allow exemptions for school facilities bonds and bonds are the only practical way to fund school improvements. However, the cost to taxpayers is based on the assessed value of properties so longtime residents and owners of less expensive homes pay the least.

Vote Yes on B — a modest and sensible plan that will provide essential upgrades to support safety and quality education, while protecting devastating cuts to teachers, staff, and programs.

JOHN CARROLL
Marin County Superintendent of Schools

ELAINE PETROCELLI
Founder and President, Book Passage Bookstore

FELECIA GASTON
Executive Director, Performing Stars of Marin
and 34 year Marin City resident

RUTH DELL
Retired President of TUHSD Board of Trustees
and Marin County School Board Association

DAVE CORT
Community Leader and 45+ year West Marin resident

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE B

LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL HIGH PRIORITY CLASSROOM REPAIR AND UPGRADE MEASURE

By approval of this measure by at least fifty-five percent (55%) of the registered voters voting thereon, the Tamalpais Union High School District (“District”) shall be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$289,000,000 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

- Tamalpais Union High School District (“District”) strives to provide every student with a high quality education in a safe and modern learning environment, so that they graduate with the skills and knowledge needed for success in college and future careers.
- Tam High is over 100 years old, Redwood and Archie Williams are over 60 years old, and the last significant repairs and upgrades were completed almost 20 years ago.
- Working with architects and school construction experts, the District conducted a thorough assessment of every classroom and school facility to identify and prioritize needed repairs and upgrades.
- Outdated and deteriorating classrooms, science labs, career training facilities, and failing school infrastructure directly impact student safety, learning and the quality of education available to local students.
- Many classrooms and school buildings that have been used daily for decades by thousands of high school students are deteriorating, worn out, have leaky roofs, are not accessible for students with disabilities, and have aging and inefficient plumbing, electrical, heating and cooling systems.
- Outdated classrooms, labs and job training facilities were built to meet past educational standards and need upgrades to support current standards for advanced instruction in science, technology, engineering, arts and math.
- Outdated and deteriorating classrooms and school buildings present risks to student safety and campus security, requiring upgrades to remove hazardous materials like asbestos and lead, improve campus security, and meet current fire and earthquake safety standards.
- All students need appropriate sheltered eating areas to ensure safety during inclement weather including rain, wildfire smoke and extreme heat.
- Because the State does not provide sufficient or dedicated funding for school facility improvements, local funding is needed to address urgent repairs and upgrades at local high schools.
- Without local funding from a voter-approved school improvement bond measure, limited funding that currently supports teacher salaries, educational programming and learning materials will have to be diverted to urgent and essential repairs to roofs, heating

- and ventilation systems that cannot be delayed.
- Diverting approximately \$80 million in instructional funding to urgent facility repairs would likely require significant reductions to academic programs, student support services, and teaching positions.
- To repair and upgrade outdated and failing classrooms, labs and school facilities, and protect limited funding for teaching and academic programs, the Board of Trustees believes that dedicated funding for facility improvements from a voter-approved bond measure is needed.
- Following the narrow defeat of the Measure A bond proposal on the March 2024 ballot, the District listened to community feedback and developed a reduced bond proposal that eliminates lower priority improvements and focuses on the most urgent and essential identified repairs and improvements.
- In developing a revised and reduced bond proposal, the Board has sought to ensure that funds are allocated consistently across the five District high schools on a per-student basis, while prioritizing the most urgent identified needs at each campus.
- In developing a revised and reduced bond proposal, the Board has sought to ensure that cost of the proposed measure is less than is paid by taxpayers toward school facility improvements in other comparable Marin County and Bay Area school districts.
- In developing a revised and reduced bond proposal, the District has developed a detailed school by school project list with updated cost estimates focused on the most urgent high priority repairs and upgrades.
- The revised bond proposal will address priority improvements, such as:
 - Replacing outdated and obsolete classrooms, science labs, technology, and equipment;
 - Repairing or replacing leaking and deteriorating roofs;
 - Repairing or replacing outdated and inefficient heating, cooling, electrical and plumbing systems;
 - Updating career and job training classrooms to meet current educational standards;
 - Updating art, music and performing arts classrooms; and
 - Replacing outdated, deteriorating and failing temporary portable classrooms.
- Proceeds from a voter-approved school facilities improvement bond measure would be controlled locally for District high schools only and could not be taken away by the State.
- None of the money raised may be used for administrators’ salaries or pensions or other school operating expenses.
- An independent citizens’ oversight committee, mandatory annual audits and public disclosure of all spending will help ensure funds are only spent on voter-approved projects.

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 Trustees 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 Trustees 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 Trustees shall establish an 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 Trustees enters the results of the election in its official minutes.

Annual Performance Audit. The Board of Trustees 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 Trustees 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 Trustees 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 Trustees 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

This Bond Project List, which is an integral part of this proposition, describes the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds of the bonds. All information contained within this "Section III: Bond Project List" comprises the list and description of permissible projects and expenses that may be paid from bond proceeds.

In order to meet all identified facility needs, the District intends to complete projects using a combination of funding sources, including joint use funds or contributions, development impact fees, and state funding (if available).

The District will pursue state matching funds if and when they become available, and if received, they will be used for projects on the Bond Project List or other high priority capital outlay expenditures as permitted by law. Approval of this measure does not guarantee that all projects on this Bond Project List at all listed sites will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by this measure. The District's proposal for the projects assumes the receipt of some state matching funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure. Bond funds may be used to meet any matching share contribution requirements.

Specific projects that may be funded by bond proceeds include projects in Category A and Category B, list below. Category A projects are intended to be completed at the site indicated. Category B projects may be completed at any and all school sites, buildings and facilities where such project is determined necessary or required, including without limitation, adult education facilities, administrative and support buildings, and alternative education program facilities. Whether and how a project is described in Category A does not limit the District's ability to perform a Category B project at any particular site.

Specific projects to be funded by the bond measure include the following:

Category A: Site-Specific Campus Upgrades to Prepare Students for College and Careers and Comply with Safety, Accessibility and Educational Standards

ARCHIE WILLIAMS HIGH SCHOOL

- Renovate and expand Performing Arts Center, including:
 - Renovate / expand existing theater and music and drama classroom building, new lobby with restrooms, new dressing rooms, upgrade performance lighting;
 - Make required ADA improvements; install new systems and finishes;
- Demolish and remove Creekside portables and replace with outdoor learning areas;
- Replace baseball and football fields;
- Resurface track;
- Upgrade/modernize athletic fieldhouse;
- Replace storage buildings.

REDWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

- Construct Music, Fine Arts Classroom Buildings and Multi-Purpose Eating Area, including:
 - New music classroom building
 - New arts and ceramics classroom building
 - New multi-purpose sheltered eating area
 - Temporary housing in leased portables
 - Hazardous materials abatement and demolition of existing buildings
 - Replacement of site utilities, including sewer line replacement and relocation of main electrical service and emergency generator
- Replace Ghilotti Field athletic turf;

- Expand/renovate existing kitchen, dining, and food service areas;
- Resurface track;
- Replaster pool.

TAMALPAIS HIGH SCHOOL

- Replace Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Math (STEAM) Building, including:
 - New 4-story building containing 14 science, math, engineering and arts classrooms and labs and a replacement music classroom building;
 - Temporary housing in leased portables;
 - Hazardous materials abatement and demolition and removal of existing buildings;
 - Extensive grading and site utilities.
- Replace elevator for disability access and fire escapes;
- Upgrade/modernize kitchen, food service and dining areas;
- Resurface track;
- Replaster pool;
- Replace storage buildings.

Category B: Districtwide Campus Upgrades to Support Student Health, Safety and Security

The following projects are authorized to be completed at each, any or all of the District's schools, sites, buildings and facilities if and where determined necessary:

- Replace deteriorating and leaky roofs;
- Replace heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems;
- Repair and replace deteriorating student restrooms;
- Replace, upgrade plumbing and irrigation systems, including associated asphalt repairs;
- Upgrade restrooms and path of travel to improve access for students with disabilities and meet current Americans with Disabilities Act requirements;
- Provide solar photovoltaic parking structures and electric vehicle charging stations to offset energy usage, reduce carbon footprint and promote sustainable practices.
- Improve technology infrastructure to increase bandwidth Districtwide and enhance network-based content and curriculum delivery; acquire and/or improve classroom technology, upgrade backbone systems wireless access points, switches, and MDF/IDF data rooms with environmental controls.

Listed projects, repairs, improvements, rehabilitation projects and upgrades will be completed only as needed, and the listing of projects does not imply a particular prioritization among such improvements; however, the Board's top priorities for improvements include the renovation and expansion of the performing arts center at Archie Williams High School; the construction of the music, fine arts classroom buildings and multi-purpose eating area at Redwood High School and the replacement of the STEAM building at Tamalpais High School. Projects may be done in phases, based on Board of Trustees priorities available funding. Decisions regarding the scope, timing, prioritization

or other facets of project implementation will be made solely by the Board of Trustees by subsequent action. Where terms such as "renovate," "upgrade," "replace," and "improve" are used in the Bond Project List, the Board of Trustees has the discretion to determine the best method for accomplishing the project's objective, including the use of new construction. For any listed project involving renovation or modernization of a building or the major portion of a building, the District may proceed with new replacement construction instead (including any necessary demolition), if the District determines that replacement and new construction is more practical than renovation, considering the building's age, condition, expected remaining life, comparative cost and other relevant factors. In addition, where feasible, projects may be completed in partnership with other public or private agencies on a joint use basis using bond proceeds, subject to federal tax rules and regulations.

Each project is assumed to include its share of costs of bond issuance, architectural, engineering, legal and similar planning costs; litigation costs; construction management; bond project consultants; staff development and training expenses associated with learning construction techniques and approaches and new bond-funded equipment and systems; the furnishing and equipping of all projects, including equipment to maintain facilities in a safe and clean condition; and a customary contingency for unforeseen design and construction costs. Payment of the costs of preparation of facilities planning and project implementation studies, feasibility and assessment reviews, master planning, environmental studies, permit and inspection fees, Division of State Architect (DSA) - related requirements, studies and assessments, including ADA and seismic, and temporary housing and relocation costs for dislocated programs or activities caused or necessitated by projects on the Bond Project List are permissible bond expenditures.

The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized 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. Necessary site preparation, grading or restoration may occur in connection with acquisition of property, new construction, modernization, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of modular classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads and acquiring any necessary easements, leases, licenses or rights of way to the property.

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 Trustees 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).

MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS
SCHOOL
KENTFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEASURE E
<p>Kentfield School District Safe, Warm and Dry Schools Measure. To repair and upgrade Bacich Elementary School and Kent Middle School; repair or replace failing roofs; protect safe drinking water; repair deteriorating student restrooms and plumbing; and improve campus fencing, energy and security, shall Kentfield School District’s measure be adopted authorizing \$48,000,000 in bonds at legal rates, levying \$29 per \$100,000 of assessed value (\$3,600,000 annually) while bonds are outstanding, requiring independent oversight, annual audits and all funds locally controlled for Kentfield schools only?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> BONDS - YES <input type="radio"/> BONDS - NO</p>

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL

KENTFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOND MEASURE

MEASURE E

This Measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Trustees of the Kentfield School District.

Pursuant to Article XIII A (1)(b)(3) of the California Constitution, if this measure is approved by 55% of the votes cast, the Kentfield School District will be authorized to incur bonded indebtedness in multiple series of up to forty-eight million dollars (\$48,000,000) with an interest rate not to exceed the limit set by law.

Money raised by bond sales may only be used for the purposes and projects stated in the Bond Project List set forth in Measure E. These purposes and projects at Bacich Elementary School and Kent Middle School include repairing or replacing roofs, repairing restrooms and plumbing, and improving safety systems. As required by law, Measure E prohibits using bond proceeds for teacher and administrator salaries or other operating expenses.

The District estimates the average projected tax rate necessary to fund the bonds will be \$29 per \$100,000 of assessed value of property while the bonds are outstanding. This estimate is a projection, and could go up or down, depending on a number of factors including the timing and amount of bond sales, and changes in assessed property values in the District. If all the bonds are sold, the District estimates total debt service (including the principal and interest) will be approximately \$96,000,000. If the bond issuance is authorized, it will commence in fiscal year 2025-26 and the final fiscal year in which it is anticipated that the revenue will be collected is 2051-52.

The Measure requires annual independent financial audits and spending review by an independent citizens’ oversight committee.

s/BRIAN E. WASHINGTON
County Counsel

TAX RATE STATEMENT

An election will be held within the boundaries of Kentfield School District (“District”) on November 5, 2024 to authorize the sale of up to \$48 million 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, a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction and other demonstrable factors, is estimated to be \$29 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. The final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected is 2051-52.

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, a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction and other demonstrable factors, is estimated to be \$29 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation first occurring in fiscal year 2025-26.

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 \$96 million.

Voters should note that the estimated tax rate is based on the ASSESSED VALUE of taxable property on the Marin 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.

In accordance with Education Code Section 15122.5:

Approval of Measure E does not guarantee that the proposed project or projects in the Kentfield School District that are the subject of bonds under Measure E will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by Measure E. 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.

Raquel Rose, Superintendent

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE E

Vote Yes on E to provide all Kentfield students with a safe learning environment!

Kentfield School District strives to deliver every student a high-quality and well-rounded education for the future. While we love our local schools, many of them do not meet modern safety standards.

School facility experts, architects, and engineers have identified that Kentfield Schools need basic repairs and maintenance to keep our schools functioning and our students and staff safe.

Your YES vote on E ensures that all Kentfield School District schools can maintain the high quality of education our students deserve.

Deteriorating restrooms, leaky roofs, and old campus fencing are threatening student security. Aging plumbing is impacting our children's access to safe drinking water. Outdated classrooms need upgraded infrastructure to preserve our high-quality innovative instruction, which helps to prepare our students for higher education and modern careers.

YES on E will:

- Repair plumbing for safe drinking water
- Repair and replace leaky roofs
- Repair deteriorating student restrooms and outdated plumbing
- Upgrade classrooms and school facilities to keep students safe, warm, and dry
- Complete maintenance to prevent weather damage
- Improve school technology infrastructure
- Improve campus fencing and security systems

Local Control & Transparency

- All funds for Bacich Elementary School and Kent Middle School ONLY and cannot be taken by the State
- Independent oversight, mandatory annual audits, and public disclosure of all spending required
- By law, no funds for administrators' salaries or pensions

Great schools improve the quality of life in our community and protect property values.

Help us keep Kentfield students safe, warm, and dry. Join community members, teachers, and parents – **YES on E to maintain up-to-date neighborhood schools!**

HEATHER McPHAIL SRIDHARAN
Former President, Kentfield School District Board of Trustees

THOMAS POSER
Real estate broker, Former KIK Board Member

CATHERINE FLORES
Marin County Educator of the Year, Parent

ROSS McKENNA
Marin County Realtor, 30 Year Resident

ANN MATHIESON
Retired Trustee, Kentfield School District Board of Trustees

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE E

Measure E asks you and future generations to fund a 25-year slush fund to nibble at neglected maintenance. Despite having one of the hugest parcel taxes in the state, and TWO existing bond measures we're still paying for, KSD purports to have a very large amount of unaddressed deferred maintenance. THAT is what prompts Measure E.

In KSD's instance, the campus was recently substantially upgraded via the 2014 bond. The 2024 bond is primarily for neglected maintenance. Their consultant's photos show rust, discolored ceiling tiles, cracked pavement, buckling sheetrock, etc. KSD's deferred maintenance fund balance is near zero and they aren't adding to it from their ample regular annual tax revenues. Why is that?

So they ask you to give them 25 years of maintenance money. If someone claims that "bonds are for facilities and parcel taxes are for teachers," don't buy that argument. Your regular taxes should be maintaining the facilities. The 2023 consultant study in fact concludes by urging an "annual contribution to a deferred maintenance budget."

Worse yet, that same study ends with this ominous warning that the study (and the bond it recommends) "does not include the need for replacement buildings and infrastructure that will soon approach."

Beware: Yet another big KSD bond is likely coming soon.

KSD is addicted to bonds but has gone cold turkey on maintenance.

Demand a top to bottom evaluation of the district's fiscal priorities and capital maintenance.

Vote NO on Measure E.

LUCY DILWORTH
2019-2020 Marin County Civil Grand Jury Foreperson,
Attorney

CHRISTOPHER GAYLORD
Business Executive, District Resident

HELEN M. ISAEFF
Fixed Income Senior

KARI S. ISAEFF
Senior Caregiver Advocate

DOREEN GLEASON
Retired Business Owner, Long-time Kentfield Resident

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE E

Measure E is Too much money for way too little.

- Measure E adds another \$96,000,000 of new taxes to float a \$48,000,000 bond. It funds what's effectively a to-do list of deferred and future maintenance projects.
- Bonds usually create something new of lasting value that benefits the future generations who pay for it, e.g., additional classrooms for a growing student body. Kentfield School District's enrollment is falling.
- Measure E's project list includes repainting, refinishing bathrooms, asphalt, re-stuccoing, restriping parking lots, and roof repairs.

Bonds on top of bonds and parcel taxes

- Voters approved KSD's \$30,000,000 bond measure in 2014 and another \$11,600,000 in 2004. They're still on your tax bill.
- Measure E adds to your taxes another \$290 per \$1,000,000 assessed value on top of \$257 per \$1,000,000 from the prior 2 bonds. Seniors and low income people are NOT exempt.
- KSD's 2024/5 parcel tax of nearly \$1,800 is among California's highest.
- Tam Union High School District's bond Measure B, on this same ballot, adds to the burden. It levies \$170 per \$1,000,000 assessed value.

Laying off maintenance costs onto future generations to pay today's high operating costs

- Kentfield could not reach a contract settlement with labor unions in 2024. The budget's too tight.
- Voters rebuffed a higher parcel tax proposal in 2016.
- Funding maintenance with multiple 30-year bonds appears to be their solution.
- KSD's tiny size is fiscally inefficient. For just 1,100 students, there's a superintendent and a complete administrative staff.

Transparency deficits

- Measure E's ballot 75-word ballot question doesn't mention the tax's \$96,000,000 cost with interest, nor the 25-year term.
- Seniors should be told there are no exemptions
- Measure E flew under the radar, without meaningful community outreach before putting it on the ballot.
- There's no video of board meetings. The record is inscrutable.

Demand more sound budgeting, transparency, affordability and community inclusion. Vote NO.

COALITION OF SENSIBLE TAXPAYERS

Mimi Willard, President

KATHRYN GOLDSMITH

Former President, Kent Woodlands Property Owners Association

JULIA VIOLICH

Financial Advisor for Safe Routes to School

JOAN BENNETT

Kent School & Redwood Graduate

REIDE BAXTER

VP, Greenbrae Management Inc.

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE E

The group against Measure E opposes virtually all investments in public schools. Six years ago, they opposed funding to prevent cuts to teachers and academic programs in Kentfield schools, yet our community said YES. Now, they want our aging classrooms to deteriorate, potentially compromising safety. Let's band together once again, debunk misinformation and scare tactics, and do what's right for our kids.

What they unfairly characterize as a "to do list of maintenance projects" are critical repairs to protect student safety, support quality education, and allow our schools to function.

Leaky roofs disrupt learning and need to be replaced. Deteriorating plumbing systems impact access to safe drinking water. Restrooms used by hundreds of students need renovation. Fencing improvements are essential for student safety. Aging solar systems need replacement to protect funding for instruction, while backup generators are essential to keep schools open during power outages.

Over the past year, Kentfield School District worked with experts to carefully assess the needs at each school, developed plans for priority repairs, and shared information repeatedly at public meetings.

It has been a decade since the last school improvement bond passed. Reports from the independent oversight committee confirm that funding from past bonds was spent as promised.

Excellent local schools were one of the reasons many of us moved to Kentfield and we all benefit from quality local schools and the strong property values they support.

Let's continue Kentfield's tradition of supporting our children and our schools by voting Yes on E.

MARIA MARTIN

Bacich School Principal, 19-year resident

LAURA SCHMIDT

Executive Director of Marin Enrichment, 45-year resident

JEFFREY LEH

Kent Woodlands Resident, Current KSD Parent

ANN PECKENPAUGH BECKER

Former President of Kent Woodlands Property Owners Association

CHRISTINE DEVOTO

Marin County Special Educator, 40-year Kentfield resident

FULL TEXT OF MEASURE E

KENTFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT SAFE, WARM, AND DRY SCHOOLS MEASURE

By approval of this measure by at least fifty-five percent (55%) of the registered voters voting thereon, the Kentfield School District (“District”) shall be authorized to issue and sell bonds of up to \$48 million 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

- Kentfield School District (“District”) strives to provide every student with a high-quality, well-rounded education that prepares them for success in high school, college, and future careers.
- While District teachers provide a high-quality education to local students, many classrooms and school facilities at Bacich Elementary School and Kent Middle School need repairs and upgrades to meet modern academic and safety standards, to ensure all schools provide a safe, warm and dry space to protect students and staff, and to provide modern classrooms that will attract and retain the best teachers and staff.
- To identify specific facility needs at each school and to prioritize improvements based on urgency and importance, our District partnered with school facility experts to assess the condition of every classroom, lab and school facility in the District to identify needed repairs and improvements.
- Based on this assessment, the District has determined that additional funds are needed to begin addressing the most urgent needs identified, such as:
 - Repairing and replacing failing roofs;
 - Repairing aging plumbing to maintain safe drinking water;
 - Renovating deteriorating student restrooms;
 - Improving campus fencing/ security systems to protect student safety; and
 - Upgrading electrical systems to support energy efficiency and school operations.
- The state does not provide funding for facility improvements, so local schools cannot maintain modern facilities, infrastructure and technology without a local funding source.
- The Board of Trustees believes that locally controlled funding from a school facilities improvement bond measure is needed to fund identified upgrades and repairs at local elementary schools.
- Proceeds from a voter-approved school facilities improvement bond measure would be controlled locally for District schools only and could not be taken away by the State.
- None of the money raised would be used for administrators’ salaries or pensions or other school operating expenses.
- An independent citizens’ oversight committee,

mandatory annual audits and public disclosure of all spending will help ensure funds are spent as intended.

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 Trustees 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 Trustees 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 Trustees shall establish an 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 Trustees enters the results of the election in its official minutes.

Annual Performance Audit. The Board of Trustees 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 Trustees 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 Trustees 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 Trustees 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

This Bond Project List, which is an integral part of this measure, describes the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds of the bonds. All information contained within this “Section III: Bond Project List” comprises the Bond Project List and description of permissible projects and expenses that may be paid from bond proceeds.

In order to meet all identified facility needs, the District intends to complete projects using a combination of

funding sources, including joint use funds or contributions, development impact fees, and state funding (if available). The District will pursue state matching funds if and when they become available and, if received, they will be used for projects on the Bond Project List or other high priority capital outlay expenditures as permitted by law. Approval of this measure does not guarantee that all projects on this Bond Project List at all listed sites will be funded beyond the local revenues generated by this measure. The District's proposal for the projects assumes the receipt of some state matching funds, which could be subject to appropriation by the Legislature or approval of a statewide bond measure. Bond funds may be used to meet any matching share contribution requirements.

Proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this measure shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, replacement, furnishing and equipping of school facilities, and the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities, all as listed on the Bond Project List. All projects to be financed with bonds authorized by this measure listed on the Bond Project List have been determined by the District to be "school facilities" as that term is used in the California Constitution. "School facilities" include projects at school sites as well as administrative and teacher/staff support facilities which are necessary for, and related to, the delivery of high-quality education services. Unless specified otherwise, projects listed below may be completed at any property, school site or facility (including administrative/ancillary support facility) where such project is determined necessary, including the following schools:

Bacich Elementary School

Kent Middle School

Specific projects to be funded by the bond measure include the following:

- Repair or replace failing roofs;
- Repair or upgrade plumbing systems to maintain safe drinking water;
- Improve campus fencing/ safety systems, including, without limitation, student safety fencing along McAllister Avenue and emergency communication across school campuses;
- Renovate, repair and/or refinish or modernize deteriorating student restrooms;
- Replace deteriorated classroom casework and flooring in selected areas;
- Remove aging portable building at Kent Middle School;
- Add new or replace failing cooling systems for IT network closets to prolong lifespan of information technology equipment;
- Improve student/staff/driver safety and traffic circulation by upgrading school parking lots and access roads with new asphalt overlay and restriping campus parking lots;
- Repaint and/or restucco campus exteriors to extend lifespan of weather resistant surfaces;
- Replace and improve electrical systems and solar panels and install backup generators to prevent disruptions to learning.

Listed projects, repairs, improvements, rehabilitation

projects and upgrades will be completed only as needed, and the listing of projects does not imply a particular prioritization among such improvements. Projects may be done in phases, based on Board of Trustees priorities available funding. Listed projects may be completed at any and all District schools, sites, properties (owned, leased or yet to be acquired) and education buildings where such project is determined necessary. Decisions regarding the scope, timing, prioritization or other facets of project implementation will be made solely by the Board of Trustees by subsequent action. Where terms such as "renovate," "upgrade," "replace" and "improve" are used in the Bond Project List, the Board of Trustees has the discretion to determine the best method for accomplishing the project's objective, including the use of new construction. For any listed project involving renovation or modernization of a building or the major portion of a building, the District may proceed with new replacement construction instead (including any necessary demolition), if the District determines that replacement and new construction is more practical than renovation, considering the building's age, condition, expected remaining life, comparative cost and other relevant factors. In addition, where feasible, projects may be completed in partnership with other public or private agencies on a joint use basis using bond proceeds, subject to federal tax rules and regulations.

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The final cost of each project will be determined as plans are finalized 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. Necessary site preparation, grading or restoration may occur in connection with acquisition of property, new construction, modernization, renovation or remodeling, or installation or removal of modular classrooms, including ingress and egress, removing, replacing or installing irrigation, utility lines, trees and landscaping, relocating fire access roads and

acquiring any necessary easements, leases, licenses or rights of way to the property.

SECTION IV: ADDITIONAL SPECIFICATIONS

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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 Trustees 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.

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WHERE'S MY BALLOT?



**Sign up at
WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov
to get an automatic email,
text, or call about the status
of your ballot.**

VOTE SAFE.

Get a notice when your vote-by-mail ballot is mailed, received, and counted!

VOTE SECURE.

Every signature on a vote-by-mail envelope is compared to the voter's information on file. If the signature doesn't compare, the voter will get a letter with information about how to correct it. After ballots are accepted for counting, they are removed from their envelopes in a way that protects voter privacy. Once removed, ballots are counted by scanning equipment then sealed in containers that may be opened only for an audit after the election. Voter privacy and votes are protected during the entire process.

VOTE BY MAIL!

Postage is pre-paid! Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked on or before November 5 and received by the Elections Department by November 12.

You do not have to vote on every contest. If you make a mistake, call the Elections Department and ask for instructions.

If it seems too late to mail your ballot back, you may hand deliver your voted ballot to one of many Ballot Drop Box Locations or any Vote Center. There is a list of locations in the Voter Information Guide, and online at marinvotes.org

VOTER BILL of RIGHTS



YOU HAVE THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS

1. **The right to vote if you are a registered voter.** You are eligible to vote if you are:

- ★ a U.S. citizen living in California
- ★ at least 18 years old
- ★ registered where you currently live
- ★ Not currently serving a state or federal prison term for the conviction of a felony, and
- ★ not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court

2. **The right to vote if you are a registered voter even if your name is not on the list.**

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

3. **The right to vote if you are still in line when the polls close.**

4. **The right to cast a secret ballot** without anyone bothering you or telling you how to vote.

5. **The right to get a new ballot if you have made a mistake,** if you have not already cast your ballot. You can:

Ask an elections official at a polling place for a new ballot,
Exchange your vote-by-mail ballot for a new one at an elections office, or at your polling place, or
Vote using a provisional ballot.

6. **The right to get help casting your ballot** from anyone you choose, except from your employer or union representative.

7. **The right to drop off your completed vote-by-mail ballot at any polling place** in California.

8. **The right to get election materials in a language other than English** if enough people in your voting precinct speak that language.


9. **The right to ask questions to elections officials about election procedures** and watch the election process. If the person you ask cannot answer your questions, they must send you to the right person for an answer. If you are disruptive, they can stop answering you.

10. **The right to report any illegal or fraudulent election activity** to an elections official or the Secretary of State's office.

SPECIAL NOTICE

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

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

 On the web at www.sos.ca.gov

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

 By email at elections@sos.ca.gov



IMPORTANT NOTICE

All active registered voters will get a vote-by-mail ballot in the mail

- Put voted ballot in return envelope provided
- Date and sign your return envelope
- Return by mail, at a Vote Center, or an Official Drop Box
- If returning by mail, envelope must be postmarked on or before November 5, received by November 12

Requesting a translated copy of the sample ballot

The sample ballot has been translated into Spanish, Vietnamese, and Chinese for required precincts. To request a copy, contact the Elections Department no later than seven days before the election:

- Call 415-473-6456 or Email: elections@marincounty.org
- Mail a written request to PO Box E, San Rafael, CA 94913. Must arrive seven days before Election Day.

Secretary of State's Voter Hotline (800) 345-VOTE (8683) - English

For information about language services offered at Vote Centers, go to www.marinvotes.org. Click on link to November 5, 2024 General Election.

Accessible ballot

Any voter may request an accessible ballot to mark at home by emailing (RAVBM in subject line) to votebymail@marincounty.org or by calling (415) 473-6456 or toll free (833) 644-2061.

Accessible voting

A voter with a disability may vote a regular ballot outside a Vote Center. If you are unable to mark your ballot, you may bring up to two individuals to the polls to assist you. These individuals cannot be your employer or union representative.

The sample ballot is for information only. You must vote on the official ballot that will be mailed to you.



AVISO IMPORTANTE

Todos los votantes activos que estén registrados recibirán en el correo una boleta de voto por correo

- Ponga la boleta marcada en el sobre de retorno provisto
- Ponga la fecha y firme su sobre de retorno
- Devuélvalo por correo, en un centro de votación o en un buzón oficial
- Si lo devuelve por correo, el sobre debe tener el sello postal fechado el o antes del 5 de noviembre, recibido antes del 12 de noviembre

Cómo solicitar una copia traducida de la boleta de muestra

La boleta de muestra ha sido traducida al español para los recintos requeridos. Para solicitar una copia, comuníquese con el Departamento de Elecciones a más tardar siete días antes de la elección.

- Llame al 415-473-6456 o envíe un email a elections@marincounty.org
- Envíe una solicitud escrita a P.O. Box E, San Rafael, CA 94913. Tiene que llegar siete días antes del día de la elección.

Línea directa para votantes del Secretario de Estado (800) 232-VOTA (8682) - Español / Spanish

Para obtener más información sobre los servicios lingüísticos que se ofrecen en los centros de votación,

diríjase a www.marinvotes.org. Haga clic en el enlace a las Elecciones Generales del 5 de noviembre de 2024.

Boleta accesible

Cualquier votante puede solicitar una boleta accesible para llenar en casa, enviando un email a votebymail@marincounty.org (escriba RAVBM en la línea del asunto) o llamando al (415) 473-6456 o a la línea gratuita (833) 644-2061.

Votación accesible

Un votante con discapacidad puede votar con una boleta regular fuera de un centro de votación. Si usted no puede marcar su boleta electoral, puede traer hasta dos personas al lugar de votación para que le ayuden. Estas personas no pueden ser ni su empleador (patrón) ni tampoco su representante sindical (de la unión).

La boleta de muestra es solo para fines informativos. Tiene que votar con la boleta oficial enviada por correo.



VOTING BY MAIL

**DON'T
BE LATE**
Mail your
ballot before
Election Day



When will my ballot arrive in the mail?
Ballots will be mailed beginning October 7, 2024.
Expect delivery within 7 - 10 days.



How do I update my registration?
Online at registertovote.ca.gov OR by paper registration form, postmarked no later than October 21, 2024.



Will the post office forward my ballot?
No. Forwarding a ballot is not allowed.



I will be out of town. How can I vote?
Call and give us your temporary mailing address. We will mail the ballot one time to that address. Call 415-473-6456.



Can someone else pick up a ballot for me?
Yes, using the application available at marinvotes.org. If you have questions, call 415-473-6456.



What if I lose my ballot or make a mistake?
You may go to any Vote Center and receive a replacement ballot. If you make a mistake, call the Elections Department at 415-473-6456.



What if I forgot to sign my envelope?
Only you (not someone else) must sign your envelope for your ballot to be counted. If your signature is missing OR does not compare with your voter registration, you will get a letter telling you how to correct the problem.



How do I return my vote-by-mail ballot?
Mail it in your signed envelope, postmarked on or before Election Day, November 5. **A voter can ensure that a postmark is applied to their return ballot envelope by visiting a Postal Service retail office and requesting a postmark from a retail associate.**
OR hand deliver to any Vote Center or Official Ballot Drop Box. Locations and schedules for Vote Centers and Official Ballot Drop Boxes are listed in this Voter Information Guide or at marinvotes.org.



How do I know you received my ballot?
Sign up at WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov, check the Voter Status page on the Secretary of State's website voterstatus.sos.ca.gov, OR call the Elections Department at 415-473-6456. **Also: Informed delivery is a great tool – it's free!**
Sign up online: <https://www.usps.com/manage/informed-delivery.htm>

ACCESS OR LANGUAGE NEEDS



Where can I vote in person?

Vote at any of the 21 Vote Centers in Marin County. Addresses are listed in this guide or go to www.marinvotes.org.



Is my nearest Vote Center accessible?

All Vote Centers are accessible or have been mitigated to meet accessibility requirements. Call 415-473-6456 for details.



Sign language interpreter.

Schedule an appointment at the Elections Office, call at least 1 week in advance. TTY 415-473-6899 or CA Relay Service 711



Need support at a Vote Center?

- Each Vote Center has accessible marking devices to help you mark your ballot independently and privately. A sip/puff device can be provided by calling in advance.
- A wheelchair-accessible voting booth, magnifiers, pens with easy to hold grips and signature guides are available.
- **Curbside voting** A voter with a disability may vote a regular ballot outside a Vote Center. Call when you are outside. An election worker will bring you a ballot and then put your voted ballot into the ballot box.



Where is an accessible voting machine?

An accessible ballot marking device is at each Vote Center.

More information about voter accessibility and specific accommodations is online at www.marinvotes.org or contact the manager of Vote Centers at polls@marincounty.org **415-473-6456** or toll free: **833-644-2061**



What if I do not speak English well?

The Vote Center worker will:

- Point out instructions in voting booth.
- Demonstrate how to mark the ballot.

Translated sample ballots for required precincts are posted at Vote Centers. Some Vote Centers have a bilingual worker; tell us if you need bilingual service.



Can I get a ride to a Vote Center?

Marin Access 415-454-0902 provides services for older adults, persons with disabilities and low-income residents. You may need to register. Call immediately to find out how they can help you. Check the voter accessibility link on our website at www.marinvotes.org.



Alternative formats upon request.

Large print of some ballot materials may be available and a CD may be available for local measure information. Call 415-473-6456 (voice), 415-473-6899 (TTY), toll free 833-644-2061, or email elections@marincounty.org.

An Online Accessible Voter Information Guide is available upon request. Call 415-473-6456 for details.

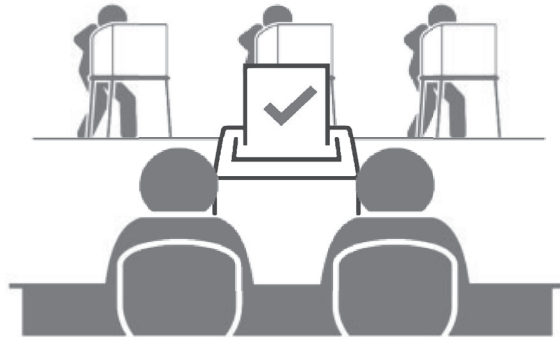


Voting by mail?

All active registered voters will be mailed a ballot. Ballots will be mailed starting October 7. Allow 7-10 days for delivery.

Disability Rights California operates a Statewide Voting Hotline 7^{AM} to 8^{PM} on Election Day, November 5, 2024 and answers calls prior to and following the election.
1-888-569-7955

Election officials are your reliable sources for election information



Voting period is October 7 to November 5, 2024

Make sure you've got the correct election information.

Don't know where to start? Nonpartisan election information is available at:

www.marinvotes.org

FROM:

DID YOU SIGN YOUR APPLICATION



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REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
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SAN RAFAEL CA 94913-9801**



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COUNTY OF MARIN

Curbside voting available for voters who cannot physically get into the Vote Center. Question? Call 415-473-6456

**For Vote Center Information
See marinvotes.org**

**POSTMASTER
DELIVER TO:**

- All active registered voters will get a ballot in the mail.
- Lost or damaged your ballot? You may go to any Vote Center for a replacement.

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For November 5, 2024

Do not use this application for a vote-by-mail ballot. All voters will be mailed a ballot for this election.
Need a replacement vote-by-mail ballot or have questions about the forms below you can call 415-473-6456.

Request a Translated Copy of Sample Ballot
Sample ballots are NOT translated in all languages for all ballot types.
Las boletas electorales de muestra NO ESTÁN traducidas en todos los idiomas para todos los tipos de boletas electorales.
Tất cả các loại lá phiếu mẫu không được dịch sang nhiều ngôn ngữ.
樣本選票的選票類型並未翻譯成所有語言。

Estoy solicitando una copia traducida de la boleta de muestra.
 Tôi đang yêu cầu một bản dịch của phiếu bầu mẫu.
 我要求提供选票样本的翻译副本。

Mail to: _____
 Name _____
 Address _____

Request must be received at least 7 days before the election.

Request a Remote Accessible Ballot (RAVBM)
A Remote Accessible Ballot is accessed online. You must print the ballot and mail it back. RAVBM ballots cannot be returned by fax or email. Ballots must be postmarked by Election Day and received by mail within 7 days after the election.

I am requesting a Remote Accessible Ballot.

My email (required): _____

Name and Phone #: _____