
COMPLETE TEXT OF MEASURE A - Continued

- (ii) Amend Article VII, Section 709, by deleting the words "or a justice court" from the first sentence of the second paragraph. There are no longer justice courts.
 - (iii) Amend Article VII, Section 704, by deleting the word "handicapped" from paragraph (h). The word is inappropriate and redundant to the word "disabled" which is included in the sentence.
 - (iv) Amend Article VI, Section 601, by replacing the word "He" with the words "The Auditor-Controller" in the second sentence. This change makes the reference gender neutral.
- B. The following proposed changes would eliminate dated language which is no longer applicable. The language was originally written to reflect a change in the Charter which required dates to be included to effectuate the change. The dated language is no longer necessary as the change has been implemented and remains in effect.
- (i) Amend Article II, Section 202, by replacing the language in the second paragraph with the following: "The elections for Members of the Board of Supervisors shall be staggered so that the Supervisor for the Second, Third, and Fifth Districts shall be elected in the same general election as the Presidential election and Supervisor for the First and Fourth Districts shall be elected in the same general election as the Gubernatorial election." This removes the dated language that was necessary to implement term limits.
 - (ii) Amend Article II, Section 202, by deleting the following language from the end of the fifth paragraph: "Nothing in this Section shall prohibit a person elected to the office of Supervisor in June and/or November 1992, or any special election for such office in 1992 from completing that single term for which that person had been elected. The effective date of this section shall be January 1, 1993." This removes dated language that was necessary to implement term limits.
 - (iii) Amend Article III, Section 301, paragraph (a) by deleting the words "during July" from the last sentence. This allows flexibility in scheduling the annual revision of county goals.
 - (iv) Amend Article V, Section 507, by deleting the words, "By January 1, 1977, following public hearings," from the beginning of the first paragraph. This removes specific dated language that is no longer relevant.
 - (v) Amend Article VIII, Section 803, by deleting the second paragraph. This removes language necessary at the time to protect the incumbent Public Defender when the position was changed to a Board of Supervisors appointment.

MEASURE B

COUNTY COUNSEL'S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE B

The California Constitution authorizes districts to issue bonded indebtedness for the purpose of the acquisition or improvement of real property through the imposition of *Ad Valorem* property taxes upon approval of two-thirds of the votes cast by voters in an election.

The Los Gatos-Saratoga Joint Union High School District proposes to issue bonds not to exceed \$79 million with maturity not to exceed twenty-five years for bonds issued pursuant to Education Code section 15100 and forty years for bonds issued pursuant to Government Code section 53506 with annual interest within the legal limit. The bonds would be repaid through a property tax based upon the taxable value of real property and the improvements thereon.

A "yes" vote is a vote to authorize the issuance and sale of the general obligation bonds not to exceed the principal amount of \$79,000,000.00. The funds derived from the sale of the bonds would be expended to improve health and safety conditions of Los Gatos and Saratoga High Schools; replace inadequate or unsafe electrical and heating systems; repair deteriorated roofs, plumbing and sewer systems, reduce dangers from earthquakes with seismic upgrades; upgrade classrooms and restrooms; acquire, construct, repair and modernize school facilities, relieve overcrowding and comply with health and safety codes.

A "no" vote is a vote not to authorize the issuance and sale of said bonds.

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**TAX RATE STATEMENT
REGARDING PROPOSED
\$79,000,000
LOS GATOS-SARATOGA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS
MEASURE B**

An election will be held in Los Gatos-Saratoga Joint Union High School District (the "District") on June 2, 1998, for the purpose of submitting to the electors of the District the question of incurring a bonded indebtedness of the District in a principal amount of \$79 million. If such bonds are authorized and sold, the principal thereof and interest thereon will be payable from the proceeds of tax levies made upon the taxable property in the District. The following information regarding tax rates is given to comply with Section 9401 of the California Elections Code. Such information is based upon the best estimates and projections presently available from official sources, upon experience within the District, and other demonstrable factors.

Based upon the foregoing and projections of the District's assessed valuation, and assuming the entire debt service will be paid through property taxation:

1. The best estimate of the tax which would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue during the first fiscal year after the sale of the first series of bonds based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement is 3.40¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation for the year 1998-99.

2. The best estimate from official sources of the tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue during the first fiscal year after the last sale of the bonds and an estimate of the year in which that rate will apply based on estimated assessed valuations available at the time of filing of this statement, is 4.28¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation for the year 2009-10.

3. The best estimate of the highest tax rate which would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue and an estimate of the year in which that rate will apply, based on estimated assessed valuation available at the time of filing of this statement is 4.28¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation for the year 2009-10.

Attention to all voters is directed to the fact that the foregoing information is based upon projections and estimates only. The actual times of sales of said bonds and the amount sold at any given time will be governed by the needs of the District and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the bonds will be sold, which in any event will not exceed the maximum permitted by law, will depend upon the bond market at the time of sales. The actual assessed values in the future years will depend upon the value of property within the District as determined in the assessment and the equalization process. Hence, the actual tax rates and the years in which such rates are applicable may vary from those presently estimated as above stated.

CYNTHIA HALL RANII
Superintendent
Los Gatos-Saratoga Joint Union High School District

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE B

Los Gatos and Saratoga High Schools have provided excellent educational programs to the children of our community for many years. Both schools have been named California Distinguished Schools and have won National School Recognition honors.

Los Gatos and Saratoga High Schools are recognized as two of the best high schools in California. Unfortunately, the physical condition of the schools needs serious attention.

Most of Los Gatos High's buildings date back to 1924. Some additions have been made since then, but the school hasn't had major renovations in decades. Saratoga High is 38 years old and, although well maintained, has significant needs.

Measure B has been placed on the ballot to provide funds to refurbish the two high schools and construct additional classrooms to relieve overcrowding.

Measure B will:

- Renovate old restrooms.
- Replace leaky roofs.
- Upgrade inadequate electrical systems.
- Reinforce buildings for seismic safety.
- Construct more classrooms.
- Replace inefficient heating and air conditioning systems.
- Build up-to-date science classrooms.

Measure B will fund the renovation of critical health and safety facilities problems. All Measure B funds will remain in our community to directly benefit Los Gatos and Saratoga High School children.

Passage of Measure B will enable Los Gatos and Saratoga High Schools to receive local funds which can be matched by state funds. These matching state funds will further improve the facilities of the two schools without additional cost.

Postponing renovations will only cost more in the future.

Measure B is a prudent, long-range, cost-effective plan that deserves your support. It will help maintain our property values and will make our great schools even better.

Vote YES on Measure B.

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Los Gatos-Saratoga Joint Union High School District, Board of Trustees
ALICE H. HANSEN, Long-time School and Community Volunteer
JOANNE BENJAMIN, Los Gatos Teacher, Parent, Councilmember
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