## Primary Argument in favor of: Measure Q

The Brisbane School District has a financial crisis. Despite reducing operating expenses by approximately \$1 million in recent years, the District still faces a projected annual deficit of \$500,000. That's because State and Federal funding has been severely cut while still imposing mandatory, but unfunded programs. The reserves that covered this deficit over the last several years are 13 nearly depleted.

Closing a \$500,000 deficit will require a reduction of 7 teachers or nearly one-third of the general teaching staff. This will balloon class sizes to an 14 unmanageable level, in some cases doubling the number of students in a 12 classroom. The District's administrative costs have been cut to the minimum, including having the Superintendent managing both the Brisbane and Bayshore Districts from one consolidated office.

The passage of Measure Q will raise approximately \$500,000 annually and 12 provide relief from the crisis facing our schools. Without its passage our 12 exceptional, high-performing schools are in danger. If our district were to 12 become insolvent, we would lose local control of our schools. Our community and our families are in danger of losing an essential part of our fundamental fabric.

In order to avoid difficulties for seniors, residential property owners who are 65 and over will be granted an exemption for their primary residence upon request. The measure ends in 6 years (2018) unless reauthorized by the voters.

Because parcel taxes require a super-majority, every vote counts. Please support our schools and our future by voting for Measure Q.

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## **Ballot Measure Primary Argument Submission Form**

A ballot argument shall not be accepted unless accompanied by this completed form, which shall contain the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the person(s) submitting it or, if submitted on behalf of a bona fide association of citizens/organization, the name of the association/organization and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers. If the measure is presented to voters pursuant to an initiative petition in a special district election, please contact the Elections Office for special instructions.

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