Argument in favor of Measure V

Pacifica, facing a life-threatening crisis, cannot afford the do-nothing dynasty inhabiting our city council. We need to vote people into office who know they have only so much time to GET THE JOB DONE. When one is in office for too many years there is no motivation to get the job done this year, next year nor the year after, nor to begin as soon as possible.

The city has been stagnant for too many years. Instead of career politicians we need citizen leaders. Term Limits will give voters a real choice with change. Term Limits assures fresh thinking, increases competition and encourages new challengers with new ideas and approaches.

Term Limits ensure there will be an increase in diversity on Pacifica’s City Council. There is no shortage of competent knowledgeable and prepared people to serve on the Council in Pacifica.

Term Limits will not solve all the problems we face in Pacifica but are a first step to bring about the changes we so desperately need: new faces, minds, fresh ideas and new approaches. Term Limits are not “new” to San Mateo (our county): examples are the County Supervisors and Foster City Council.

Americans wisely created the two-term limit for the Presidency. Imagine where we’d be if George W. Bush wasn’t termed out. Term Limits will prevent dynasties from capturing Pacifica.

The City Council, although opposed to Term Limits, by California Law, had to place this measure on this ballot. Voters who signed the petitions wanted the opportunity to vote YES or NO for Term Limits.

“It is not the strongest of the species that survive, or the most intelligent, but the one’s most responsive to change.”  *Charles Darwin*

*We ask you to VOTE YES for TERM LIMITS on Measure V.*
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Businessman

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