Ballot Measure Rebuttal Argument Submission Form

If both an argument in favor of and an argument against a measure have been selected for publication in the Sample Ballot & Official Voter Information Pamphlet, a rebuttal to the argument in favor of or the argument against the measure may be submitted as outlined in this form.

The author(s) of the primary argument of the measure may prepare and submit a rebuttal argument or may authorize in writing any other person or persons to prepare, submit or sign the rebuttal argument.

A rebuttal argument will 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, the name of the association and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers.

Word count limit for Rebuttal Arguments = 250 words

Ballot Measure __P____ for the __Presidential Primary___ to be held on ___3-3-2020____.

☐ Rebuttal to Argument in Favor of Measure __P____  ☐ Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure __________

Signed by Same Individual(s) Selected for the Voter Information Pamphlet for the Primary Argument

If the rebuttal argument is signed by the same individual(s) as those already selected for the Voter Information Pamphlet for the primary argument, check the following box and skip the back side of this form.

☑ Rebuttal Argument Is Signed by Same Individual(s) Selected for the Voter Information Pamphlet for the Primary Argument

Contact Person’s Printed Name:

MARK W. HINKLE

Phone: __________  Email: __________

Signed by Different Individual(s) than Individual(s) Selected for the Voter Information Pamphlet for the Primary Argument

The author(s) of the primary argument may authorize any other person or persons to sign the rebuttal argument. If signers are new for the rebuttal argument, please check the following box, complete the back side of this form and attach the written authorization (the Authorization Form for Change in Signers of Rebuttal Argument) from the primary argument author(s).

☐ Rebuttal Argument Is Signed by New Signers as Authorized by Primary Argument Author(s)

Contact Person’s Printed Name:

Phone: __________  Email: __________

Arguments will be emailed to the contact person listed here for review before they are printed in the Sample Ballot & Official Voter Information Pamphlets.

Please complete the reverse side of this form.

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Rebuttal Argument Signers Form

No more than five signatures shall appear with any argument. If more than five signatures are submitted, the first five listed shall be printed.

Names and titles listed will be printed in the order that they are listed below. A signer can only list one title.

If the signers are part of a bona fide association, for each such signing individual(s), the title under the signer’s name shall list the name of that bona fide association and may include their position within that association.

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

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Submit a second form (this side only) for alternate signers attached to this form and the argument.
Rebuttal: Portola Valley School District $531 Parcel Tax: Measure P

With this latest “temporary” parcel tax, the Portola Valley School District claims they need a tax increase to continue providing “quality education”.

The district not only wants to extend the 2013 “temporary” parcel tax ($581) for another 8 years, but they want to add 3% each year for the next 8 years.

Have they earned this extension that will cost you over $6,660 over the next 8 years (on top of the taxes you are already paying)?

Let’s look at latest academic performance:

2017-18 school year results: 16.16% below grade level for English.

2017-18 school year results: 15.44% below grade for math.

The District rewarded students, parents and taxpayers for the passage of the 2013 parcel tax by dropping proficiency in both English and math!

Source: California Department of Education Data Partnership – www.ed-data.org

It’s clear to see why student enrollment is declining.

Should you, the voters, reward the district for dropping scores in both subjects?

If no, we encourage you to vote NO on Measure P.

This District is already spending $27,000 per student per year, which is 224% ABOVE the statewide average ($12,082), yet providing below average education. Yet, they want more of your hard-earned money to pad their salaries (averaging $101,829 plus up to $24,000 in benefits) and fat pension plans.

Tell the Portola Valley School Board to be fiscally responsible by voting NO on Measure P.

If you reward failure, you will get more failure!

For more information please visit us at www.svtaxp.ayers.org