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) submitted it or, if submitted on behalf of a bona fide association or citizens/organization, the name of the association or organization and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers.

Word count limit for Primary Arguments = 300 words

Primary Argument in FAVOR of: MEASURE
Primary Argument AGAINST: 

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

Names and titles listed will be printed in the order that they are listed.

If the signers are part of a bonafide association/organization, there is no requirement that they be eligible to vote on the measure. However, for each such signing individual(s), the title under the signer’s name shall list the name of that bonafide association/organization and may include their position within that association/organization.

With their signature, signers state that they have read the argument and believe it not to be false or misleading.

**PLEASE ATTACH A HARD COPY OF THE ARGUMENT TO THIS FORM.**

**AN ELECTRONIC COPY OF THE ARGUMENT IN WORD FORMAT IS ALSO REQUIRED. THIS MUST BE SEND TO THE CITY CLERK PRIOR TO THE DEADLINE, OR YOU MAY SUBMIT A FLASH DRIVE OR DISK WITH THE WORD DOCUMENT**
Argument against Measure O

Thanks to an unusual local sales tax hike approved by voters 2 years ago, Half Moon Bay levies the second highest sales tax rate used in California: 9.5%!

In 2012, city officials and other sales tax hike proponents promised that the Measure J sales tax hike would be "temporary" and would "expire after 3 years". Never trust politicians who say a tax hike is temporary. Guess what they want now?

They said that Measure J would be used, in part, to fund seismic upgrades to the Main Street Bridge. But the city didn't go forward with that plan due to Measure F, the Main Street Bridge Preservation Act approved last June. Furthermore, the city was able to obtain Federal Highway Administration grants that would have paid for the seismic upgrades anyway.

In short, the need for a sales tax hike was overblown to begin with!

Sales tax is the worst kind of tax, as it is a regressive tax that punish poor people most. High sales taxes harm local businesses and local jobs.

The City of Half Moon Bay shouldn't burden the community with an unnecessary extension of a tax with so little benefit to the community.

Please-- Vote NO on the 1/2% Half Moon Bay sales tax extension!

Hartland Harrison
Chair, Libertarian Party of San Mateo County CA