

SANTA CLARA COUNTY
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

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REBUTTAL ARGUMENT
DECLARATION BY AUTHOR(S) OR OTHER PERSON(S) AUTHORIZED BY AUTHOR
(Elections Code § 9164, 9167, 9504, 9600)

The undersigned author(s) of the rebuttal to the argument in favor of against ballot measure A at the
(circle one) (letter)

Special election for the City of Santa Clara
(title of election) (name of jurisdiction)

to be held on June 5, 2018 hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best
(date of election)

of their knowledge and belief.
(his / her / their)

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1. [Redacted] 3-19-18
Signature Date

Trustee, West Valley-Mission Community College District Karl J. Watanabe (M) F
Type Title to Appear on Rebuttal Print Name as Signature will appear in voter information guide

2. [Redacted] 3-19-18
Signature Date

Cultural Commissioner, City of Santa Clara Louis Samara (M) F
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3. [Redacted] 3/19/18
Signature Date

Chairperson, Charter Review Committee Tino J. Silva (M) F
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4. [Redacted] 3/19/18
Signature Date

Executive Director, Venture Capital Roundtable Peter Kuo (M) F
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5. [Redacted] 3/19/18
Signature Date

Community Activist/Santa Clara Library Foundation Board Harbir K. Bhatia (M) F
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Contact Person Telephone # Email Address
Lisa M Gillmor [Redacted]



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Date of Election June 5, 2018

As a signer on the Argument in favor of / against Measure A in the
(circle one)

CITY OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA, I authorize
(Jurisdiction)

LOUIS SAMARA to sign the rebuttal argument in my place.
(Signature)

[Redacted Signature] HAZEL ALABADO
Signature Printed Name

.....
Date of Election _____

As a signer on the Argument in favor of / against Measure _____ in the
(circle one)

_____, I authorize
(Jurisdiction)

(new rebuttal signer) to sign the rebuttal argument in my place.

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(circle one)

SANTA CLARA, CA, I authorize
(Jurisdiction)

Peter Kao to sign the rebuttal argument in my place.
(new rebuttal signer)

Signature

Teresa O'Neill
Printed Name

Date of Election _____

As a signer on the Argument in favor of / against Measure _____ in the
(circle one)

_____, I authorize
(Jurisdiction)

_____ to sign the rebuttal argument in my place.
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CITY OF SANTA CLARA, CA, I authorize
(Jurisdiction)

TINO J. SILVA to sign the rebuttal argument in my place.
(new rebuttal signer)

[Redacted Signature] Hosam Haggag
Signature Printed Name

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City of Santa Clara CA, I authorize
(Jurisdiction)

HARBIR K. BHATIA to sign the rebuttal argument in my place.
(new rebuttal signer)

[Redacted Signature] Dominic J. Caserta
Signature Printed Name

.....
Date of Election _____

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_____, I authorize
(Jurisdiction)

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(circle one)

CITY OF SANTA CLARA, CA, I authorize
(Jurisdiction)

KARI J. WATANABE to sign the rebuttal argument in my place.
(new rebuttal signer)

[Redacted Signature]
Signature

LISA M. BILLMOR
Printed Name

.....
Date of Election _____

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(circle one)

_____, I authorize
(Jurisdiction)

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Two Districts and One Santa Clara. Please Vote "Yes" on Measure A.

A diverse group of Santa Clarans on the Charter Review Commission recommended this plan ~~for Two Districts, One Santa Clara.~~ It was unanimous.

The Commissioners are people who care about our city first and foremost. Some of the people who signed the opposition argument don't even live in Santa Clara and may have other agendas to advance.

The opposition believes rank-choice voting is too complicated for Santa Clarans. They underestimate our intelligence.

Rank-choice voting has been used successfully for elections in San Francisco and Oakland -- for over a decade. It's also used in Australia, Canada, England, India, Ireland, Hong Kong and many other places. There's evidence that it increases voter participation and decreases negative campaigning. We'll only use it in Santa Clara when the best technology is available in our County.

The Commission's only interest was to come up with a plan that's good for our city -- and they did.

Two districts will help ~~make sure~~ ^{ensure} that all Santa Clara neighborhoods are represented -- not just a few.

Two districts ~~will make~~ it cheaper to run for office since candidates won't have to communicate across the entire city. Elections will be more accessible to all people, especially candidates from neighborhoods and ethnic groups that may be underrepresented.

Candidates need to raise money, sometimes from developers and special interests. With Two Districts, Santa Clara elections will be less expensive, decreasing the impact of political contributions.

We urge you to support the plan created by Santa Clarans for Santa Clarans. Please vote Yes for Measure A: ~~Two Districts, One Santa Clara.~~

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