

Los Gatos-Santa Clara Union High Sch. I District  
Rebuttal + Argument in favor of Measure A

Like Lewis Carroll's Humpty Dumpty in "Through the Looking Glass" saying, "When I use a word ... it means just what I choose it to mean —neither more nor less." the proponents assert this measure is not a tax increase. When the 2011 parcel tax expires, the parcel tax will be \$0.00. This measure is a tax increase.

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Likewise, the assertion that this district needs funds beyond Sacramento's grasp misconstrues the district's funding. The district is an excess tax/basic aid district, primarily funded by local property taxes, not Sacramento. Local property taxes have historically provided steadily increasing locally controlled funding. The 2011 downturn created a short-term local revenue shortfall that was supplemented by a short term parcel tax – the now expiring parcel tax.

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Our trip through the Looking Glass continues with the proponents' statement of decreased state support of education. Yet, Governor Brown, in his 2016-2017 budget summary, says, "As a result of both increased General Fund revenues and local property taxes, the Budget ... proposes an increased investment of \$5.4 billion in K-14 education."

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Stepping back from the Looking Glass, we see that this measure is actually a permanent tax increase served-up in periodic renewals.

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Base your vote on facts, not distortion. As the Governor observed, California now has increased tax revenues. For this district, increasing property values provide substantial automatic increases in locally controlled funding. In the current economic environment there is no need to renew the expiring temporary parcel tax.

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You should vote NO on this measure.

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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 Mail Ballot election for the Los Gatos-Saratoga Joint Union High School District  
(title of election) (name of jurisdiction)

to be held on May 3, 2016 hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best  
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As a signer on the Argument in favor of ~~against~~ Measure A in the  
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Las Gatas Saratoga Union High School District, I authorize  
(Jurisdiction)

Tselva Alex Green to sign the rebuttal argument in my place.  
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