**County of Santa Clara**

**Registrar of Voters' Office**

**LOS GATOS-SARATOGA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**FORMAL NOTICE OF ELECTION**

**MAIL BALLOT PARCEL TAX**

**May 3, 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** to the qualified electors of Los Gatos-Saratoga Joint Union High School District, County of Santa Clara, California, that in accordance with the provisions of the California Government Code and California Elections Code, a Special Mail Ballot Parcel Tax election will be held on Tuesday, May 3, 2016, at which election, the following proposition shall be submitted to the qualified electors within the District, and voted on:

**MEASURE**

"To provide stable funding for local high schools, maintain outstanding core academic programs and high quality science, math, technology and engineering courses, attract and retain highly qualified teachers, and provide programs that help students prepare for college and careers, shall Los Gatos-Saratoga Union High School District renew its expiring education parcel tax at $49 per year for eight years, with citizen oversight, an exemption for seniors, no funds for administrator's salaries, and every dollar benefiting local high schools?"

Yes\_\_\_\_\_\_                                          No\_\_\_\_\_\_

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** that arguments for or against said measure may be submitted to the Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters, 1555 Berger Dr., Building #2, San Jose, California 95112, not later than 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 16, 2016.

The governing board of the District or any member or members of the board, or any individual voter who is eligible to vote on the measure, or principal officer of a bona fide association of citizens, or combination of such voters and associations may file a written argument for or against any Measure. No arguments shall exceed 300 words in length. No more than five signatures shall appear with any argument submitted.

Printed arguments submitted shall be titled either "Argument in Favor of Measure" or "Argument Against Measure." Words used in the title shall not be counted when determining the length of any argument.

The Registrar of Voters will select an argument for and an argument against said measure to be printed and distributed with each sample ballot.

The Registrar of Voters will send a copy of the selected argument in favor of the measure to the authors of the argument against, and a copy of the selected argument against to the authors of the argument in favor. The authors may prepare and submit rebuttal arguments not exceeding 250 words in length. The rebuttal arguments must be filed with the Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters’ Office not later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, February 22, 2016.

In accordance with Section 9600 of the California Elections Code, all arguments and rebuttals filed pursuant to this notice shall be accompanied by the following form statement to be signed by each author:

The undersigned author(s) of the ARGUMENT/REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF/AGAINST ballot Measure at the Special Mail Ballot Election in the Los Gatos-Saratoga Joint Union High School District, County of Santa Clara to be held Tuesday, May 3, 2016, hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of his/her/their knowledge and belief.

**NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN** that: (1) processing of ballots to be counted will commence on Tuesday, April 19, 2016; and, (2) that the ballots cast at said election will be publicly counted at the Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters' Office, 1555 Berger Drive, Building #2, San Jose, California, commencing at 8:00 pm, Tuesday, May 3, 2016.

Dated this 5th day of February, 2016.

Shannon Bushey, Registrar of Voters