ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE N

For forty years, Davis residents have invested in providing an excellent education for all students by committing to parcel taxes that fund our local classrooms.

Measure N will <u>renew the expiring parcel tax</u> to ensure continued funding for vital school programs in perpetuity. Measure N maintains the current per parcel cost of \$64 per month, continues exemptions available for senior citizens and individuals with disabilities, and requires annual audits by a citizens' oversight committee.

Without Measure N, <u>our schools would lose nearly \$12 million</u> in annual funding – almost 10% of the district budget. This means we would:

- face significant teacher layoffs;
- have larger class sizes;
- be forced to cut programs and services.

With Measure N, our schools will maintain:

- smaller class sizes;
- 100 teaching and educational staff positions;
- outstanding core academic programs in science, technology, engineering, math, reading, and writing;
- robust programs in art, music, world languages, career technical education, AP courses, and other electives;
- athletics and co-curricular programs such as robotics, journalism, theater, and debate;
- counseling and nursing services to support safety and student mental and physical health;
- librarians in primary and secondary schools.

Because of how California funds schools, Davis receives less funding per student from the state than most districts. Measure N allows Davis to **protect quality educational programs** and have local control over how our dollars are spent, so we can best prepare our students for success.

<u>Measure N makes sense for all</u>, whether your children benefit from an exceptional public education, you are a homeowner whose home value depends on sustaining quality schools, or you believe that investing in our children is the right thing to do.

<u>Vote Yes on Measure N</u> to renew your support for our children, our schools, and our community.

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