ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE I

Vote YES on Measure I. All Measure I money goes to your LOCAL services and Sacramento can't touch it! Measure I allows the City to continue to receive the current 1% transaction and use tax (SALES TAX) for an additional fifteen years until it stops in 2032. The economy is recovering slowly and the need for the revenue generated by the 1% sales tax will last beyond the current expiration date of 2017. Measure I is a solution that gives you LOCAL CONTROL to protect, maintain and improve LOCAL Services.

Without Measure I we don't have enough money for essential local City services beyond 2017. Without Measure I we will have to eliminate approximately 20% of the general fund budget, which will directly impact YOUR local services.

Yes on I maintains police patrol, gang suppression, investigation and school officers.

Yes on I allows the City to bring back two additional police officers.

Yes on I allows the City to hire a code enforcement officer.

Yes on I maintains fire and medical emergency response times.

Yes on I maintains youth programs at the Soledad community center.

Yes on I provides for park improvements at the Little League parks and soccer fields.

Yes on I maintains essential City services.

Yes on I maintains parks, streets, and repairs potholes.

Yes on I includes strong fiscal accountability, with annual independent audits and review by a Citizens Oversight Committee to monitor spending, guaranteeing funds are spent responsibly.

Yes on I requires every dime to be used for YOUR LOCAL SERVICES.

VOTE YES ON MEASURE I.

S/Soledad Mayor and Councilmembers

Fred J. Ledesma

Alejandro Chavez

Richard Perez

Pat Stephens

Christopher Bourke

California Elections Code – Ballot Arguments, Form of Statement to be filed

§§9164, 9283, 9501.5 A ballot argument shall not be accepted unless accompanied by the printed name and signature or printed names and signatures of the person or persons submitting it, or, if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers.
No more than five signatures shall appear with any argument submitted under this article. In case any argument is signed by more than five persons, the signatures of the first five shall be printed.

REQUIRED FORM STATEMENT

§9600. All arguments concerning measures filed pursuant to this division shall be accompanied by the following form statement, to be ***signed by each proponent and by each signer, if different***, of the argument:

The undersigned proponent(s) or signer(s) of the primary (primary/rebuttal) argument in favor of (in favor of/against) ballot proposition Measure I (name or number) at the general (title of election) election for the City of Soledad (name of district/jurisdiction) to be held on 11-4-14 (date) hereby state that this argument is true and correct to the best of their (his/her/their) knowledge and belief.

Signatures of Proponents (in order of appearance):

(1) Printed Name FREDJ LEDESMA Title (one) MAYOR
Signed [signature] Date 8-14-2014

(2) Printed Name Alejandro Chavez Title (one) Council Member
Signed [signature] Date 8/14/14

(3) Printed Name Richard J Perez Title (one) _____
Signed [signature] Date _____

(4) Printed Name Patricia D. Stephens Title (one) Council member
Signed [signature] Date 8-14-2014

(5) Printed Name Christopher K. Bourke Title (one) Council Member
Signed Christopher K Bourke Date 8/14/2014

Filer:

(1) Printed Name Christopher K. Bourke Title (one) Council Member
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