

# OFFICIAL GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

## SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

### NOVEMBER 2, 2010

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:** To vote, fill in the oval like this:  **Vote both sides of the card**  
 To vote for or against candidates for Chief Justice of California; Associate Justices of the Supreme Court; Presiding Justice, Court of Appeal; or Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, fill in the OVAL next to the word "Yes" or "No," respectively. To vote for any other candidate of your choice, fill in the oval next to the candidate's name. Do not vote for more than the number of candidates allowed. (i.e. Vote for no more than Two) To vote for a person whose name is not on the ballot, write the person's full name in the write-in space and fill in the oval next to it. To vote on a measure, fill in the oval next to the word "Yes" or "No". All distinguishing marks or erasures are forbidden and make the ballot void. If you tear, deface or wrongly mark this ballot, return it to the Elections Official and get another.

STATE	TREASURER	UNITED STATES SENATE
<p><b>GOVERNOR</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DALE F. OGDEN</b> Business Consultant/Actuary Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JERRY BROWN</b> Attorney General of California Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHELENE NIGHTINGALE</b> Business Owner American Independent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CARLOS ALVAREZ</b> Retail Worker Peace and Freedom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LAURA WELLS</b> Financial Systems Consultant Green</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MEG WHITMAN</b> Businesswoman Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>TREASURER</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHARLES "KIT" CRITTENDEN</b> Retired Professor Green</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MIMI WALTERS</b> Businesswoman Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BILL LOCKYER</b> California State Treasurer Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROBERT LAUTEN</b> American Independent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DEBRA L. REIGER</b> Retired Technology Manager Peace and Freedom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>EDWARD M. TEYSSIER</b> Business Owner/Attorney Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>UNITED STATES SENATE</b> Vote for One</p> <p><b>UNITED STATES SENATOR</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GAIL K. LIGHTFOOT</b> Retired Nurse Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARSHA FEINLAND</b> Retired Teacher Peace and Freedom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CARLY FIORINA</b> Business Executive Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>EDWARD C. NOONAN</b> Computer Store Owner American Independent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DUANE ROBERTS</b> Community Volunteer Green</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BARBARA BOXER</b> United States Senator Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>
<p><b>LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JIM KING</b> Real Estate Broker American Independent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PAMELA J. BROWN</b> Economics Professor Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GAVIN NEWSOM</b> Mayor, City and County of San Francisco Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ABEL MALDONADO</b> Senator/Businessman/Farmer Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JAMES "JIMI" CASTILLO</b> Cultural Spiritual Advisor Green</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>C.T. WEBER</b> Retired Government Analyst Peace and Freedom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>ATTORNEY GENERAL</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROBERT J. EVANS</b> Criminal Defense Lawyer Peace and Freedom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PETER ALLEN</b> Environmental Energy Attorney Green</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KAMALA D. HARRIS</b> District Attorney, City and County of San Francisco Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TIMOTHY J. HANNAN</b> Attorney/Arbitrator/Mediator Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DIANE BEALL TEMPLIN</b> Attorney/RE Broker American Independent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>STEVE COOLEY</b> District Attorney, County of Los Angeles Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>UNITED STATES CONGRESS</b> Vote for One</p> <p><b>UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE</b> 22nd District</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEVIN MC CARTHY</b> U.S. Representative Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>
<p><b>SECRETARY OF STATE</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DEBRA BOWEN</b> Secretary of State Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MERTON D. SHORT</b> Aviator American Independent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ANN MENASCHE</b> Civil Rights Attorney Green</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DAMON DUNN</b> Small Business Owner Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHRISTINA TOBIN</b> Voting Rights Advocate Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARYLOU CABRAL</b> Community Volunteer Peace and Freedom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>INSURANCE COMMISSIONER</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DAVE JONES</b> Member, California State Assembly Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MIKE VILLINES</b> Businessman/State Assemblyman Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CLAY PEDERSEN</b> Retail Manager American Independent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DINA JOSEPHINE PADILLA</b> Injured Worker Consultant Peace and Freedom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RICHARD S. BRONSTEIN</b> Licensed Insurance Broker Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>WILLIAM BALDERSTON</b> Teacher/Union Organizer Green</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>STATE ASSEMBLY</b> Vote for One</p> <p><b>MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY</b> 33rd District</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PAUL K. POLSON</b> Carpenter Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>K. H. "KATCHO" ACHADJIAN</b> County Supervisor/Businessman Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>HILDA ZACARIAS</b> Accountant/City Councilmember Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>
<p><b>CONTROLLER</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROSS D. FRANKEL</b> Accountant Green</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ANDREW "ANDY" FAVOR</b> Certified Public Accountant Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TONY STRICKLAND</b> State Senator/Businessman Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KAREN MARTINEZ</b> Retired Peace and Freedom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOHN CHIANG</b> Controller Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LAWRENCE G. BELIZ</b> Independent Businessman American Independent</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>MEMBER, STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION, 1st District</b> Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BETTY T. YEE</b> Equalization Board Member Democratic</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KENNITA WATSON</b> Retired Quality Engineer Libertarian</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SHERILL BORG</b> Community Development Officer Peace and Freedom</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEVIN R. SCOTT</b> Small Business Owner Republican</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>	<p><b>JUDICIAL</b> VOTE YES OR NO FOR EACH OFFICE</p> <p><b>FOR CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT</b> Shall Associate Justice, Court of Appeal, 3rd Appellate District, TANI G. CANTIL-SAKAUYE be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  <input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><b>FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT</b> Shall Associate Justice MING W. CHIN be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  <input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><b>FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT</b> Shall Associate Justice CARLOS R. MORENO be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  <input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><b>FOR PRESIDING JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 1</b> Shall Presiding Justice ROBERT M. MALLANO be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  <input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><b>FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 1</b> Shall Associate Justice VICTORIA G. CHANEY be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  <input type="radio"/> YES      <input type="radio"/> NO</p>

**TURN BALLOT OVER TO CONTINUE VOTING**

**FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 1**  
Shall Associate Justice **JEFFREY W. JOHNSON** be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  
 YES  NO

**FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 2**  
Shall Associate Justice **JUDITH M. ASHMANN** be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  
 YES  NO

**FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 3**  
Shall Associate Justice **WALTER CROSKY** be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  
 YES  NO

**FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 4**  
Shall Associate Justice **STEVEN SUZUKAWA** be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  
 YES  NO

**FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 5**  
Shall Associate Justice **ORVILLE "JACK" ARMSTRONG** be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  
 YES  NO

**FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 6**  
Shall Associate Justice **PAUL H. COFFEE** be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  
 YES  NO

**FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 6**  
Shall Associate Justice **STEVEN Z. PERREN** be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  
 YES  NO

**FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 7**  
Shall Associate Justice **LAURIE D. ZELON** be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  
 YES  NO

**FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 7**  
Shall Associate Justice **FRANK Y. JACKSON** be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  
 YES  NO

**FOR PRESIDING JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 8**  
Shall Presiding Justice **TRICIA A. BIGELOW** be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  
 YES  NO

**FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, 2nd Appellate District, Div. 8**  
Shall Associate Justice **ELIZABETH ANNETTE GRIMES** be elected to the office for the term provided by law?  
 YES  NO

**SCHOOL**

**SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**  
Vote for One  
 **TOM TORLAKSON**  
Teacher/California Legislator  
 **LARRY ACEVES**  
Retired School Superintendent  
Write-in

**SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

**GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER TRUSTEE AREA NO. 4**  
Vote for One  
 **PETER J. SYSAK**  
Retired Police Chief  
 **CHARLOTTE ALEXANDER**  
Non-Profit Executive Director  
Write-in

**LUCIA MAR UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER TRUSTEE AREA NO. 2**  
Vote for no more than Two  
 **CATHY SPRINGFORD**  
Real Estate Agent  
 **MARK MILLIS**  
Retired Teacher  
 **COLLEEN MARTIN**  
Incumbent  
Write-in

**GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER TRUSTEE AREA NO. 3**  
Vote for One  
 **ADELINA "NINA" GRABIEL**  
 **VERN DAHL**  
Oceano C.S.D. Director  
Write-in

**COUNTY**

**COUNTY SUPERVISOR 4th District**  
Vote for One  
 **PAUL TEIXEIRA**  
Businessman/Parks Commissioner  
 **MIKE ZIMMERMAN**  
Attorney/Rancher  
Write-in

**SHERIFF-CORONER**  
Vote for One  
 **IAN PARKINSON**  
Police Captain  
 **JOE CORTEZ**  
Retired Police Chief  
Write-in

**CITY**

**CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE**

**MAYOR**  
Vote for One  
 **TONY FERRARA**  
Mayor, City of Arroyo Grande  
 **TIMOTHY J. MOORE**  
Write-in

**COUNCILMEMBER**  
Vote for no more than Two  
 **JOE COSTELLO**  
Council Member/Instructor  
 **SHANNON KESSLER**  
Realtor  
 **TIM BROWN**  
Workers' Compensation Consultant  
 **HEIDI LAURENZANO**  
Mother/Foreman's Assistant  
Write-in

**DISTRICT**

**PORT SAN LUIS HARBOR DISTRICT**

**COMMISSIONER**  
Vote for no more than Two  
 **HARRY YASUMOTO**  
Real Estate Consultant  
 **BRIAN "CRAIG" KREOWSKI**  
Incumbent  
 **DREW BRANDY**  
Harbor Commissioner/Fisherman  
Write-in

**MEASURES TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS STATE**

**PROPOSITION 19**  
**LEGALIZES MARIJUANA UNDER CALIFORNIA BUT NOT FEDERAL LAW. PERMITS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO REGULATE AND TAX COMMERCIAL PRODUCTION, DISTRIBUTION, AND SALE OF MARIJUANA. INITIATIVE STATUTE.**  
Allows people 21 years old or older to possess, cultivate, or transport marijuana for personal use. Fiscal Impact: Depending on federal, state, and local government actions, potential increased tax and fee revenues in the hundreds of millions of dollars annually and potential correctional savings of several tens of millions of dollars annually.  
 YES  NO

**PROPOSITION 20**  
**REDISTRICTING OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.** Removes elected representatives from process of establishing congressional districts and transfers that authority to recently-authorized 14-member redistricting commission comprised of Democrats, Republicans, and representatives of neither party. Fiscal Impact: No significant net change in state redistricting costs.  
 YES  NO

**PROPOSITION 21**  
**ESTABLISHES \$18 ANNUAL VEHICLE LICENSE SURCHARGE TO HELP FUND STATE PARKS AND WILDLIFE PROGRAMS. GRANTS SURCHARGED VEHICLES FREE ADMISSION TO ALL STATE PARKS. INITIATIVE STATUTE.** Exempts commercial vehicles, trailers and trailer coaches from the surcharge. Fiscal Impact: Annual increase to state revenues of \$500 million from surcharge on vehicle registrations. After offsetting some existing funding sources, these revenues would provide at least \$250 million more annually for state parks and wildlife conservation.  
 YES  NO

**PROPOSITION 22**  
**PROHIBITS THE STATE FROM BORROWING OR TAKING FUNDS USED FOR TRANSPORTATION, REDEVELOPMENT, OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROJECTS AND SERVICES. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.** Prohibits State, even during severe fiscal hardship, from delaying distribution of tax revenues for these purposes. Fiscal Impact: Decreased state General Fund spending and/or increased state revenues, probably in the range of \$1 billion to several billions of dollars annually. Comparable increases in funding for state and local transportation programs and local redevelopment.  
 YES  NO

**PROPOSITION 23**  
**SUSPENDS IMPLEMENTATION OF AIR POLLUTION CONTROL LAW (AB 32) REQUIRING MAJOR SOURCES OF EMISSIONS TO REPORT AND REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS THAT CAUSE GLOBAL WARMING, UNTIL UNEMPLOYMENT DROPS TO 5.5 PERCENT OR LESS FOR FULL YEAR. INITIATIVE STATUTE.** Fiscal Impact: Likely modest net increase in overall economic activity in the state from suspension of greenhouse gases regulatory activity, resulting in a potentially significant net increase in state and local revenues.  
 YES  NO

**PROPOSITION 24**  
**REPEALS RECENT LEGISLATION THAT WOULD ALLOW BUSINESSES TO LOWER THEIR TAX LIABILITY. INITIATIVE STATUTE.** Fiscal Impact: Increased state revenues of about \$1.3 billion each year by 2012-13 from higher taxes paid by some businesses. Smaller increases in 2010-11 and 2011-12.  
 YES  NO

**PROPOSITION 25**  
**CHANGES LEGISLATIVE VOTE REQUIREMENT TO PASS BUDGET AND BUDGET-RELATED LEGISLATION FROM TWO-THIRDS TO A SIMPLE MAJORITY. RETAINS TWO-THIRDS VOTE REQUIREMENT FOR TAXES. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.** Legislature permanently forfeits daily salary and expenses until budget bill passes. Fiscal Impact: In some years, the contents of the state budget could be changed due to the lower legislative vote requirement in this measure. The extent of changes would depend on the Legislature's future actions.  
 YES  NO

**PROPOSITION 26**  
**REQUIRES THAT CERTAIN STATE AND LOCAL FEES BE APPROVED BY TWO-THIRDS VOTE. FEES INCLUDE THOSE THAT ADDRESS ADVERSE IMPACTS ON SOCIETY OR THE ENVIRONMENT CAUSED BY THE FEE-PAYER'S BUSINESS. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.** Fiscal Impact: Depending on decisions by governing bodies and voters, decreased state and local government revenues and spending (up to billions of dollars annually). Increased transportation spending and state General Fund costs (\$1 billion annually).  
 YES  NO

**PROPOSITION 27**  
**ELIMINATES STATE COMMISSION ON REDISTRICTING. CONSOLIDATES AUTHORITY FOR REDISTRICTING WITH ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE.** Eliminates 14-member redistricting commission. Consolidates authority for establishing state Assembly, Senate, and Board of Equalization districts with elected representatives who draw congressional districts. Fiscal Impact: Possible reduction of state redistricting costs of around \$1 million over the next year. Likely reduction of these costs of a few million dollars once every ten years beginning in 2020.  
 YES  NO

**CITY**

**CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE**

**MEASURE C-10**  
Shall the office of City Clerk be appointive?  
 YES  NO

**MEASURE D-10**  
Shall the office of City Treasurer be appointive?  
 YES  NO

# VOTER'S PAMPHLET INFORMATION SECTION

The Following Pages Contain  
Voter Information Applicable to your Ballot  
Which May Include Any/All of the Following Items:

- CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS
- BALLOT MEASURES
- ANALYSES
- ARGUMENTS, PRO & CON

This pamphlet section may not contain a statement for each candidate. A complete list of candidates appears on the Sample Ballot. Each candidate's statement in this pamphlet is volunteered by the candidate and is printed at the expense of the candidate unless otherwise determined by the governing body. Each candidate's statement is printed in uniform format **exactly as submitted by the candidate**

**ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED  
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## **JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT AND COURT OF APPEALS**

These justices are on the ballot for confirmation elections as required by law. The public votes Yes or No to retain each justice for these non-partisan judicial offices. The Judicial Council website contains information about the individual justices on the ballot for confirmation  
<http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/courts/supreme/justices.htm>

or

<http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/courts/courtsofappeal/2ndDistrict/justices.htm>

## **CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM**

Among all state legislative candidates appearing on the ballot in San Luis Obispo County, only the candidates listed below have pledged to abide by campaign spending limits as specified in the California Government Code. This is a result of Proposition 34 adopted by the voters at the November 2000 General Election, and of a new statute passed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor in 2001.

Candidates agreeing to the campaign spending limits also have the opportunity to have a Statement of Qualifications printed in the local sample ballot booklet, at their own expense.

### 33<sup>RD</sup> ASSEMBLY DISTRICT CANDIDATES

K. H. "Katcho" Achadjian, Republican Party  
Paul K. Polson, Libertarian Party  
Hilda Zacarias, Democratic Party

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY 33<sup>rd</sup> District</b></p> <p><b>K. H. "KATCHO" ACHADJIAN</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 59</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> San Luis Obispo County Supervisor, Businessman</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> I'm a graduate of Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. I know first hand how to achieve efficiency in government while being accountable and fiscally responsible.</p> <p>As County Supervisor, for 12 consecutive years I helped make the tough cuts needed to balance \$450 million budgets and helped build up \$80 million in reserves without raising taxes. I brought my expertise as a small business owner of 33 years to my government work to create new jobs and to keep good jobs from leaving the central coast. I lead by example and have opposed every effort to raise my pay on the Board.</p> <p>I will take these conservative values and experience to Sacramento and get our fiscal house in order. I will work to pass real reforms that tie the hands of big spending liberal politicians by imposing a strict cap on spending and will audit government bureaucracy to root out waste, fraud and abuse.</p> <p>Conservatives know they can count on me to protect Proposition 13, oppose job killing tax hikes and fight excessive regulations. I have received the endorsement of Congressman Kevin McCarthy, Californian Republican Taxpayers Association, California Association of Highway Patrolmen, Crime Victims United, and the Small Business Association. Join my fight to clean up Sacramento, stop deficit spending and get California back to work.</p> <p>Visit: <a href="http://Katchoforassembly.org">Katchoforassembly.org</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY 33<sup>rd</sup> District</b></p> <p><b>HILDA ZACARIAS</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 49</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> Accountant, Businesswoman, Councilmember</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> I'm running for Assembly because Sacramento politicians refuse to make the tough but necessary decisions to balance our budget. As a professional accountant, auditor and former professor at Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo I know state government can manage our tax dollars better.</p> <p>I've dedicated my professional life to helping small businesses and local governments operate more effectively. I know government can live within its means, just as every family must, and use its limited resources more efficiently, just as every business must.</p> <p>Democrats and Republicans alike need to learn how to set aside the partisan bickering and polarization to do their jobs - balance the budget without excessive borrowing or punitive taxes on middle class Californians, make the bureaucracy more efficient, and get the economy moving again. I am proud to say that we have done just that on the Santa Maria City Council.</p> <p>A lifelong resident of the Central Coast, I attended Head Start, graduated from local public schools and Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo, and received a master's degree from Harvard University. I served as a School Board Trustee for five years. I want every young Californian to have this same opportunity to fulfill their potential with an excellent education, a good job, and a safe neighborhood to raise a family.</p> <p>In Sacramento, I will not enjoy making budget cuts, but I pledge to help restore civility in the Capitol and refocus the Legislature on balancing the books and rebuilding California in a way that upholds our shared values.</p> <p><a href="http://www.hildazacarias.com">www.hildazacarias.com</a></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA MIEMBRO DE LA ASAMBLEA ESTATAL Distrito 33</b></p> <p><b>K. H. "KATCHO" ACHADJIAN</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Edad: 59</b></span>  <b>Ocupación:</b> Supervisor del Condado de San Luis Obispo, Hombre de Negocios</p> <p><b>Educación y Competencia:</b> Me gradué de Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. Tengo conocimiento de primera mano sobre cómo lograr la eficiencia en el gobierno sin dejar de rendir cuentas y ser fiscalmente responsable.</p> <p>Como Supervisor del Condado, durante 12 años consecutivos he ayudado a realizar los difíciles recortes necesarios para equilibrar los presupuestos de \$450 millones y he ayudado a acumular \$80 millones en reservas sin aumentar los impuestos. Aporté mi experiencia como dueño de pequeña empresa de 33 años al trabajo de mi gobierno para crear nuevos empleos y evitar que los buenos empleos dejen la costa central. Lidero con el ejemplo y me he opuesto a todos los esfuerzos por aumentar mi paga en la Junta.</p> <p>Llevaré estos valores y experiencia conservadores a Sacramento y pondré en orden nuestra casa fiscal. Trabajaré para aprobar reformas reales que atarán de manos a aquellos políticos liberales que hacen grandes gastos mediante la imposición de un estricto límite sobre los gastos y auditaré la burocracia gubernamental para eliminar el malgasto, el fraude y el abuso.</p> <p>Los conservadores saben que pueden contar conmigo para proteger la Propuesta 13, oponerme a los aumentos de impuestos que eliminan empleos y luchar contra las regulaciones excesivas. He recibido el apoyo del Congresista Kevin McCarthy, la Asociación de Contribuyentes Republicanos de California, la Asociación de Policías de Carretera de California, Víctimas de Crímenes Unidos y la Asociación de Pequeños Negocios. Únase a mi lucha para limpiar Sacramento, detener los gastos deficitarios y poner a California nuevamente a trabajar.</p> <p>Visite: <a href="http://Katchoforassembly.org">Katchoforassembly.org</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA MIEMBRO DE LA ASAMBLEA ESTATAL Distrito 33</b></p> <p><b>HILDA ZACARIAS</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Edad: 49</b></span>  <b>Ocupación:</b> Contadora, Mujer de Negocios, Concejal</p> <p><b>Educación y Competencia:</b> Me estoy postulando para la Asamblea porque los políticos de Sacramento se rehúsan a tomar las decisiones duras pero necesarias para equilibrar nuestro presupuesto. Como contadora profesional, auditora y ex profesora de Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo sé que el gobierno estatal puede administrar mejor nuestros dólares de impuestos.</p> <p>He dedicado mi vida profesional a ayudar a pequeños negocios y a los gobiernos locales a funcionar de manera más efectiva. Sé que el gobierno puede vivir dentro de sus posibilidades, tal como cada familia debe hacerlo y utilizar sus recursos limitados de manera más eficiente, tal como debe hacerlo todo negocio.</p> <p>Los demócratas y los republicanos por igual deben aprender a dejar de lado las peleas y las polarizaciones partisanas para hacer sus trabajos – equilibrar el presupuesto sin préstamos excesivos ni impuestos excesivamente gravosos sobre los californianos de clase media, hacer más eficiente la burocracia y poner nuevamente en movimiento la economía. Me enorgullece decir que hemos hecho justamente eso en el Concejo Municipal de Santa Maria.</p> <p>Residente de toda la vida de la Costa Central, asistí a Head Start, me gradué de escuelas públicas locales y de Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo y obtuve un título de maestría desde la Universidad de Harvard. Serví como Síndico de la Junta Escolar durante cinco años. Quiero que todo Californiano joven tenga esta misma oportunidad de explotar su potencial con una excelente educación, un buen empleo y un vecindario seguro para criar a una familia.</p> <p>En Sacramento, no disfrutaré de hacer recortes presupuestarios, pero prometo ayudar a restaurar la cortesía en el Capitolio y trasladar la atención de la Legislatura a equilibrar los libros y reconstruir a California de manera que mantenga nuestros valores compartidos.</p> <p><a href="http://www.hildazacarias.com">www.hildazacarias.com</a></p>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, TRUSTEE AREA NO. 2 Lucia Mar Unified School District</b></p> <p><b>CATHY SPRINGFORD</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 57</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> Real Estate Agent, Attorney</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> For the last two years, I served on the Superintendent's Budget Review Committee, analyzing and studying the District's budget and providing input to the Superintendent on budget issues. I served on the School Site Councils, PTO and Booster's Club boards (mostly serving as President) for three of our schools. My children have been in the school District for six years, have attended two middle schools and are both entering high school. Through all of this experience, I developed a broad perspective of the District. I was a business and real estate trial attorney for 30 years with a special interest in financial matters. I was also a mediator and arbitrator. Through my experience in finance, law, real estate, and in our schools, I developed an extensive knowledge and big-picture perspective of the District and have the qualifications needed to effectively serve as Trustee. I will use this experience and knowledge to be a student-focused Trustee, helping the District steer through these challenging economic times and other issues that arise. I am an objective, solution-oriented parent and want to assure a quality public education for all of our children. I ask for your vote.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, TRUSTEE AREA NO. 2 Lucia Mar Unified School District</b></p> <p><b>MARK MILLIS</b>  <b>Occupation:</b> Retired Teacher</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> As a parent, grandparent, and former teacher, I am running for the Lucia Mar School Board because I am concerned about the threats facing the education of our children.</p> <p>Even as we face leaner budgetary times, it is important that cuts to jobs and programs take place as far away from the classroom as possible. Ensuring that students receive the best possible education is our first priority.</p> <p>I served the community for over 18 years as both Mayor of Arroyo Grande and as a City Council Member. This experience in public office makes me uniquely qualified to reduce waste and help the District operate more efficiently. Conferences, gadgets, and other luxuries must all be eliminated before the District initiates layoffs, increases class sizes and cuts programs.</p> <p>For 33 years, I taught at Arroyo Grande High School. I understand the District and the community and can help bring about a better working relationship between the Board of Education and school employees.</p> <p>I am a proven leader with integrity, experience, and the people's trust.</p> <p>I listen. I care. My telephone number is 478-2134.</p> <p>I would appreciate your vote.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, TRUSTEE AREA NO. 2 Lucia Mar Unified School District</b></p> <p><b>COLLEEN MARTIN</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 50</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> Incumbent</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> As a current member and President of the Lucia Mar Board of Education, I am excited about what Lucia Mar has accomplished and our new vision and goals for the future. I always place the concerns of the students and our community first. I want to continue implementing 21<sup>st</sup> century skills including communication, collaboration, technology, and vocational skills for all. Our students are facing unprecedented demands in the changing world of work. Lucia Mar, in collaboration with families and the community, is transitioning to respond to these changing demands.</p> <p>As a College and Career Center Specialist at SLO High School, I understand how schools function and interact with students daily. I will continue to work for: safe schools accessible to all, a responsive Board of Education that ensures the District stays financially solvent, school calendar and curriculum that ensure student success, graduation contract with a variety of pathways to graduation, and ongoing support of athletics, honors programs, and extracurricular education.</p> <p>I am honest, respectful and will try my best. I've been involved with the schools for two decades. I promise to listen, do my homework, and represent the district faithfully.</p> <p>I welcome your concerns. colleentitusmartin@sbcglobal.net 489-2764</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA MIEMBRO DE LA JUNTA DE GOBIERNO, ÁREA DE SÍNDICO NO. 2 Distrito Escolar Unificado de Lucia Mar</b></p> <p><b>MARK MILLIS</b>  <b>Ocupación:</b> Maestro Jubilado</p> <p><b>Educación y Competencia:</b> Como padre, abuelo y ex maestro, me estoy postulando para la Junta Escolar de Lucia Mar porque me preocupan las amenazas que enfrenta la educación de nuestros hijos.</p> <p>Incluso cuando nos enfrentamos a épocas de presupuestos reducidos, es importante que los recortes de empleos y programas ocurran tan lejos del aula como fuera posible. Asegurarnos de que nuestros estudiantes reciban la mejor educación posible es nuestra principal prioridad.</p> <p>Serví a la comunidad durante más de 18 años como Alcalde de Arroyo Grande y como Miembro del Concejo Municipal. Esta experiencia en cargos públicos me otorga una experiencia única para reducir el malgasto y ayudar al Distrito a operar de manera más eficiente. Las conferencias, los artilugios y otros lujos deben ser eliminados antes de que el Distrito comience a hacer despidos, aumente los tamaños de las clases y recorte programas.</p> <p>Durante 33 años, enseñé en la Escuela Secundaria Arroyo Grande. Comprendo el Distrito y la comunidad y puedo ayudar a crear una mejor relación de trabajo entre la Junta de Educación y los empleados de la escuela.</p> <p>Soy un líder comprobado con integridad, experiencia y la confianza de la gente.</p> <p>Escucho. Me preocupo. Mi número de teléfono es 478-2134.</p> <p>Agradecería su voto.</p>



<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT</b></p> <p><b>PAUL TEIXEIRA</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 54</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> Businessman/Parks Commissioner</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> The 4<sup>th</sup> district citizens of San Luis Obispo County need a supervisor who will represent them with honesty, integrity, and a transparent common sense approach to county government. For 35 years I have answered the call to deliver beneficial results to my community. I offer accessibility, listening to all issue concerns, and making the positive steps towards good county government. This is a nonpartisan position and I intend to take nonpartisan action for the people I serve.</p> <p>We are all going through tough economic times. San Luis Obispo County is a wonderful place to live and work. Unfortunately, previous steps have been taken to eliminate jobs and deter sustainable business growth. This needs to be reversed. I will work diligently to encourage new incentives that will welcome business activity in our county. I will encourage renewable energy solutions and encourage the creation of "Green" jobs.</p> <p>Public safety and security is also a priority. I will work to increase the quality of our law enforcement, fire, and health services with a keen eye on controlling our costs.</p> <p>To accomplish my goal, I Paul Teixeira, am asking for your vote. Thank you.</p> <p>To learn more, please go to <a href="http://www.teixeira4supervisor.com">www.teixeira4supervisor.com</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT</b></p> <p><b>MIKE ZIMMERMAN</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 57</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> Attorney/Rancher</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> Cal Poly SLO, B.S. Farm Management (1975); Western State University School of Law, Juris Doctor (1978).</p> <p>I have practiced law in Arroyo Grande for 31 years in Estate Planning, Medi-Cal Planning, Business Law, and Real Estate Law. As a candidate with a College Degree, a Law Degree, a business owner, a background in public safety, and owner of agricultural property, I can bring perspective and common sense to the Board.</p> <p>Being a rancher, the president of the SLO Range Improvement Association, a 4-H leader, and a member of the Cattleman's Association makes me a strong advocate for property rights and for protection of both the Williamson Act and Proposition 13. I am for making local government less intrusive into our lives.</p> <p>We need to foster controlled steady growth in order to provide jobs and a strong local economy, as well as encourage new start-ups, rather than taxing and regulating businesses out of existence.</p> <p>I will strive to find the proper balance between off-highway use of the dunes and health concerns on the Mesa.</p> <p>I am Pro-life, pro-second amendment, and am for faith, freedom and family.</p> <p>I will be honored to receive your vote. Thank You.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA LA JUNTA DE SUPERVISORES, DISTRITO 4</b></p> <p><b>PAUL TEIXEIRA</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Edad: 54</b></span>  <b>Ocupación:</b> Hombre de Negocios/Comisionado de Parques</p> <p><b>Educación y Competencia:</b> Los ciudadanos del distrito 4 del Condado de San Luis Obispo necesitan un supervisor que los represente con honestidad, integridad y un enfoque de sentido común transparente hacia el gobierno del condado. Durante 35 años he respondido al llamado de dar resultados beneficiosos a mi comunidad. Ofrezco accesibilidad, escuchar todas las preocupaciones concernientes a problemas y realizar acciones positivas hacia un buen gobierno del condado. Este es un cargo no partidario y mi intención es realizar acciones no partidarias para la gente a la que sirvo.</p> <p>Todos estamos pasando por tiempos económicos difíciles. El Condado de San Luis Obispo es un maravilloso lugar para vivir y trabajar. Desafortunadamente, se han realizado acciones anteriores para eliminar trabajos e impedir el crecimiento económico sustentable. Esto debe revertirse. Trabajaré con responsabilidad para fomentar nuevos incentivos que estimulen la llegada de actividad comercial a nuestro condado. Fomentaré las soluciones de energía renovable y la creación de trabajos "Ecológicos".</p> <p>La salud y la seguridad públicas son también una prioridad. Trabajaré para aumentar la calidad de nuestros servicios del orden público, bomberos y salud con una gran capacidad para controlar nuestros costos.</p> <p>Para lograr mi meta, yo Paul Teixeira, estoy pidiendo su voto. Gracias.</p> <p>Para obtener más información, por favor visite <a href="http://www.teixeira4supervisor.com">www.teixeira4supervisor.com</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA LA JUNTA DE SUPERVISORES, DISTRITO 4</b></p> <p><b>MIKE ZIMMERMAN</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Edad: 57</b></span>  <b>Ocupación:</b> Abogado/Ranchero</p> <p><b>Educación y Competencia:</b> Cal Poly SLO, Licenciatura en Administración Agrónoma (1975); Escuela de Leyes de la Universidad Estatal Western, Doctorado en Jurisprudencia (1978).</p> <p>He ejercido derecho en Arroyo Grande durante 31 años en Planeación de Bienes Raíces, Planeación de Medi-Cal, Derecho Comercial y Derecho de Bienes Raíces. Como candidato con un Título Universitario, un Título en Leyes, dueño de negocio, antecedentes en seguridad pública y dueño de una propiedad agrícola, puedo aportar perspectiva y sentido común a la Junta.</p> <p>Ser ranchero, presidente de la Asociación SLO Range Improvement, líder de 4-H y miembro de la Asociación Cattleman me convierte en un gran defensor de los derechos de la propiedad y a favor de la protección de la Ley Williamson y la Propuesta 13. Estoy a favor de hacer que el gobierno local se involucre menos en nuestras vidas.</p> <p>Necesitamos fomentar un crecimiento constante y controlado para poder brindar trabajos y una fuerte economía local, además de alentar nuevos comienzos, en lugar de imponer impuestos a los negocios y regularlos hasta extinguirlos.</p> <p>Me esforzaré por encontrar el equilibrio apropiado entre el uso todo terreno de las dunas y las preocupaciones de salud en Mesa.</p> <p>Estoy A Favor de la vida, a favor de la segunda enmienda y a favor de la fe, la libertad y la familia.</p> <p>Me sentiré honrado de recibir su voto. Gracias.</p>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF-CORONER</b></p> <p><b>JOE CORTEZ</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 56</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> Veteran/Former Police Chief</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> The Sheriff's Department is at a crossroads. We can stay the course of weak leadership, poor morale and ineffective budgeting, or we can move toward safer communities and the best quality of life. I offer a new direction to build the strong department our county deserves.</p> <p>Accountability, respect for the public trust, and commitment to collaboration are hallmarks of my 36 years in law enforcement. I've championed fiscal restraint as police chief for 15 years having returned over \$1 million to general fund coffers. The high standards I set gained law enforcement accreditation for Pismo Beach, one of five California cities so-designated.</p> <p>Reaching the top of my profession has given me a lifetime of experience and knowledge best suited for the office of Sheriff. I'll use my leadership abilities to replace controversy with stability and my budget skills to maximize services without drowning us in debt.</p> <p>I am a 36 year veteran in law enforcement with 15 years as a police chief. I'm a military veteran, hold a Bachelors degree in Criminal Justice, and a graduate of the FBI National Academy. As your sheriff I stand ready to lead on Day One.</p> <p>I respectfully ask for your vote.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF-CORONER</b></p> <p><b>IAN PARKINSON</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 46</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> Police Captain</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> I'm Ian Parkinson. I've been training to be Sheriff my entire adult life.</p> <p>I joined the Morro Bay Police Department in 1984, transferred to the San Luis Obispo Police Department in 1988 and was promoted to Captain in 2005.</p> <p>I conduct day-to-day operations, establish policy and procedures, prepare the budget and supervise the patrol division.</p> <p>I have served as a patrol officer, a major crime investigator, training officer, traffic officer, lead defensive tactics instructor, SWAT team commander and narcotics investigator. I use advanced technology to prevent crime and capture those responsible for it, and I embrace community policing.</p> <p>I believe it is time for positive change in County law enforcement.</p> <p>I will bring a new attitude and approach to the Sheriff's Department – one in which collaboration is as valued as crime fighting.</p> <p>I am endorsed by many of the city police chiefs and law enforcement executives in the County.</p> <p>As Sheriff, I will create a department that is transparent and accountable to the citizens of our County.</p> <p>I will lead an agency you can trust filled with employees who are proud to be members of the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Department.</p> <p>Please, vote for Ian Parkinson for Sheriff on November 2nd.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA ALGUACIL-JUEZ DE PRIMERA INSTANCIA</b></p> <p><b>IAN PARKINSON</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Edad: 46</b></span>  <b>Ocupación:</b> Capitán de Policía</p> <p><b>Educación y Competencia:</b> Soy Ian Parkinson. Me he estado capacitando para ser Alguacil toda mi vida adulta.</p> <p>Me uní al Departamento de Policía de Morro Bay en 1984, fui transferido al Departamento de Policía de San Luis Obispo en 1988 y fui ascendido a Capitán en 2005.</p> <p>Llevo a cabo las operaciones diarias, establezco políticas y procedimientos, preparo el presupuesto y superviso la división de patrullas.</p> <p>He servido como oficial de patrulla, investigador de crímenes importantes, oficial de capacitación, oficial de tránsito, instructor líder de tácticas de defensa, comandante del equipo SWAT e investigador de narcóticos. Utilizo tecnología de avanzada para prevenir el crimen y capturar a los responsables y estoy a favor de la vigilancia comunitaria.</p> <p>Creo que es el momento de un cambio positivo en el orden público del Condado.</p> <p>Aportaré una nueva actitud y enfoque al Departamento del Alguacil – uno en el que la colaboración sea tan valorada como la lucha contra el crimen.</p> <p>Tengo el apoyo de muchos de los jefes de policía de la ciudad y ejecutivos del orden público del Condado.</p> <p>Como Alguacil, crearé un departamento que sea transparente y responsable ante los ciudadanos de nuestro Condado.</p> <p>Lideraré una agencia en la que usted pueda confiar y que esté repleta de empleados que sean orgullosos miembros del Departamento del Alguacil del Condado de San Luis Obispo.</p> <p>Por favor, vote por Ian Parkinson para Alguacil el 2 de noviembre.</p>

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
MAYOR  
City of Arroyo Grande**

**TONY FERRARA**

**Occupation:** Mayor, City of Arroyo Grande

**Education and Qualifications:** Arroyo Grande is one of the most beautiful communities in the State. Maintaining our "small-town" character while assuring economic stability for the future hasn't always been easy. Working as a team, the Arroyo Grande City Council has managed to achieve this balance. Over the past 2 years we have added new development along Grand Avenue, repaved streets and roads using sales tax revenue, completed the Village Streetscape Project and welcomed new businesses to our City. We are hopeful that progress continues with Cal Trans on a solution to the Brisco Interchange. We've made improvements throughout our City and simultaneously maintained a balanced budget despite the difficult fiscal climate created by the state budget deficit and dwindling economy. Other cities adversely affected by the California economy have not been as fortunate. I firmly believe that City government has been effective in Arroyo Grande because its citizens (all of you) participate and remain engaged in the important issues affecting our City. I am honored to have served as your Mayor for the past 8 years. With your support, I will continue to provide the experienced leadership necessary to maintain a positive direction for the City.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL City of Arroyo Grande</b></p> <p><b>JOE COSTELLO</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 59</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> Councilmember, Instructor</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> As your Councilman, I have represented the interests of the community to the best of my abilities, and will do so in the future. I will work to secure a reliable long-term water source and to make the best use of our resources. I will work with City staff to continue to deliver necessary services within our budget.</p> <p>I was a part of the Fire Oversight Committee from its beginning and am proud to have helped in the organization of the Five Cities Fire Authority. The consolidated department now provides better fire protection to the people of Arroyo Grande for less cost.</p> <p>I will maintain the small town atmosphere and historic integrity of our town. The Village remains an important part of that history, a vital part of both past and future. I will work to keep the Village a place that locals continue to enjoy and visitors love to explore.</p> <p>I will listen to what the community has to say and act in the best interests of Arroyo Grande, looking to the future while keeping an eye on the past, to make the present the best it can be.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL City of Arroyo Grande</b></p> <p><b>SHANNON KESSLER</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 42</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> Realtor, Businesswoman, Mother</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> Parks and Recreation Commissioner, City of Arroyo Grande; Attended Cuesta College, Alan Hancock College/Political Science; Licensed Realtor.</p> <p>I am committed to serving our great nation through local public service. This fair city is blessed with many volunteers and I am proud to be among them. With your support my goal is to further influence our town by representing my fellow citizens as a city council woman. I feel that it is the responsibility of council members to be responsive to the needs and desires of the residents and to always be accessible and accountable. Arroyo Grande must strive to maintain its high quality of life while ensuring that our children can afford to live and work here both now and in the future. I will carefully consider all issues with the goal of balancing financial restraints with civic needs.</p> <p>My experience includes: PTA president, Ocean View Elementary School; former president, Pismo Coast Association of Realtors Charitable Foundation; Area Coordinator, Moms in Touch International.</p> <p>I greatly appreciate your vote and would be honored to serve.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL City of Arroyo Grande</b></p> <p><b>TIM BROWN</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 49</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> Workers' Compensation Consultant/Planning Commissioner</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> I have served the community of Arroyo Grande as a planning commissioner for over seven and a half years. I feel that my experience on the Commission makes me well suited for serving the citizens of Arroyo Grande. I have learned to balance the often competing interests of various stake holders while making sound decisions. I have a strong work ethic and a record of doing my homework on important issues facing the City. I understand that, as a Planning Commissioner or as a Council member I work for you. I am fiscally conservative regarding budget issues which will serve the people well during these tough economic times. For these reasons, I respectfully request your vote.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL City of Arroyo Grande</b></p> <p><b>HEIDI LAURENZANO</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 37</b></span>  <b>Occupation:</b> Mother, Foreman's Assistant</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> You love Arroyo Grande and so do I. If you desire someone with Biblical values as your representative, look no further.</p> <p>If elected, I wouldn't want to change much about Arroyo Grande. I'm most interested in preserving the city's historic charm and safe atmosphere, which ensures economic vitality, and keeping our young people healthy and active. I am approachable and teachable, so if you see problems in our city, please let me know.</p> <p>I've spent most of my life in SLO County. I attended Arroyo Grande High School and graduated from Cal Poly with a bachelor's degree in print journalism. I had extra coursework in government.</p> <p>I won two investigative reporting awards during my newspaper-writing years and currently enjoy serving with my church's homeless ministry and worship team.</p> <p>Since then, I've worked in public relations, marketing and the nuclear industry, which enables me to send my daughter to Christian school. This seems like the right time in my life to heed God's call to serve in government. If elected, I will rely on God's strength and wisdom to stay informed, work hard and make sound decisions.</p>

**CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE  
IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE C-10**

State law requires each California city to have a City Clerk. City Clerks may be either elected or appointed. This measure places before the voters the question whether the City Clerk should be an appointed rather than an elected position.

In Arroyo Grande the City Clerk is currently elected and serves a four year term. State law also establishes the qualifications for a City Clerk, requiring that the person elected to this position must be a registered voter and resident of the City. There are no requirements that candidates for City Clerk have any specific education, certification, or experience.

City Clerks perform limited duties as specified by state law, but are often called on to perform numerous related administrative duties. Some, but not all, of the City Clerk's duties include preparing, indexing, and maintaining accurate minutes of City Council meetings and all City documents and records; printing, assembling, and distributing Council agenda materials; administering municipal elections; receiving and maintaining candidate campaign forms and City officials' statements of economic interest; revising the City's conflict of interest code; preparing, mailing, and publishing all official City notices in a timely manner; and maintaining the Municipal Code.

State law authorizes the City Council to place on the ballot the question whether the City Clerk should be made appointive. If a majority of the voters approve making the position of City Clerk appointive, the City Council will have the authority to appoint a person to be City Clerk upon the expiration of the current term of office, or earlier if there is a vacancy. The City Council could establish qualifications such as education, certification and experience, and could appoint the person determined to be best qualified, regardless of that person's place of voter registration or residence. This measure would not change the duties of the City Clerk as established pursuant to state law.

A simple majority of YES votes would approve the measure, making the City Clerk an appointive office.

A majority of NO votes would reject the measure, in which case the City Clerk will continue to be an elective office.

s/ TIMOTHY J. CARMEL  
City Attorney, City of Arroyo Grande

**The above is an impartial analysis of Measure C-10. If you desire a copy of the full text of the measure, it is available on the City of Arroyo Grande website at <http://www.arroyogrande.org/> or please call the City Clerk's Office at (805) 473-5414 and a copy will be mailed to you.**

**ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE C-10**

Your "YES" vote on Measure C-10 will convert the City Clerk position from elected to appointed and is placed before the voters to ensure the City's operations continue to be run efficiently by qualified individuals.

Historically, many cities have elected the city clerk to perform narrow statutory duties. However, as cities have grown and become more complex, the duties of the city clerk have significantly expanded and become more technical. City clerks now require a high level of expertise and training with knowledge of local and State laws relating to the Public Records Act, Brown Act (open meetings), Political Reform Act, Municipal Elections, and the Municipal Code. As a result, 72% of cities in California appoint their city clerks.

The majority of responsibilities of the Arroyo Grande City Clerk are performed by a department director position, making the elected position largely ceremonial. Since the same person currently holds both positions, Arroyo Grande has a highly qualified individual performing these functions and saves on benefits. However, should a vacancy occur, it may be difficult to find a qualified individual to run for the office of city clerk.

The only qualification to serve as elected city clerk is to be a registered City voter. A recent Grand Jury report found that "health benefits alone may be sufficient to attract unqualified persons to run for [city clerk], leaving the work to City staff and costing the cities health benefits for persons performing no useful function." The public deserves the duties of the city clerk to be performed professionally and efficiently. Consolidating the director position with the elected position into one appointed position will reduce future costs and help ensure the city clerk is selected based on technical skill, education and experience.

The Arroyo Grande City Council urges you to vote "YES" on Measure C-10.

- s/ Tony Ferrara, Mayor
- s/ Jim Guthrie, Mayor Pro Tem
- s/ Joe Costello, Council Member
- s/ Chuck Fellows, Council Member
- s/ Caren Ray, Council Member

**NO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE C-10 WAS SUBMITTED**

**CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE  
IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE D-10**

State law requires each California city to have a City Treasurer. City Treasurers may be either elected or appointed. This measure places before the voters the question whether the City Treasurer should be an appointed rather than an elected position.

In Arroyo Grande the City Treasurer is currently elected and serves a four year term. State law also establishes the qualifications for a City Treasurer, requiring that the person elected to this position must be a registered voter and resident of the City. There are no requirements that candidates for this office have any specific education, certification, or experience.

State law provides that City Treasurers are responsible for overseeing municipal finances. They must comply with state laws governing the deposit and handling of public funds and provide written accountings of all municipal funds. The day-to-day duties associated with the office of City Treasurer for the City of Arroyo Grande, however, are handled by the Director of Administrative Services who is also the deputy city treasurer. The elected City Treasurer serves in a largely ceremonial capacity to comply with State law.

State law authorizes the City Council to place on the ballot the question whether the position of City Treasurer should be made appointive. If a majority of the voters approve making the position appointive, the City Council will have the authority to appoint a person to this position upon the expiration of the current term of office, or earlier if there is a vacancy. The City Council could establish qualifications such as education, certification and experience, and could appoint the person determined to be best qualified, regardless of that person's place of voter registration or residence. This measure would not change the duties of the City Treasurer as established pursuant to state law.

A simple majority of YES votes would approve the measure, making the City Treasurer an appointive office.

A majority of NO votes would reject the measure, in which case the City Treasurer will continue to be an elective office.

s/ TIMOTHY J. CARMEL,  
City Attorney, City of Arroyo Grande

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**ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE D-10**

Your "Yes" vote on Measure D-10 will convert the city treasurer from an elected to an appointed position and is placed before the voters to help ensure the City's financial resources continue to be managed effectively by qualified individuals.

The city treasurer is responsible for handling all public funds. Therefore, the position requires a person who possesses technical experience and knowledge of public investments. As a result, 64% of California cities appoint their city treasurers.

The most recent City treasurers have held other full-time City positions and deputized the finance director to perform the treasurer's responsibilities. Therefore, the position has become largely ceremonial and is not currently receiving separate health benefits. However, other individuals elected in the future could: 1) increase costs by requiring the City to provide separate benefits to a person performing no function; or 2) cause serious financial problems if an unqualified individual was elected and performed the treasurer's responsibilities.

A recent Grand Jury report agreed, stating the following:

*There are reasons to be especially concerned about the practice of electing city treasurers. Any citizen who is a resident of the city can run for the office, without possessing any particular qualifications. If a candidate with an agenda markedly at odds with the city council and the city manager – one with little commitment to professional investing, for example – were to win, many millions of city dollars could be at risk or, alternatively, tied up in a dispute over power.*

The report concluded that the City could benefit from an appointed city treasurer. This will enable the treasurer's responsibilities to be assigned to the finance director, which will reduce future costs and help ensure they are performed by someone selected based on skill, education and experience.

The Arroyo Grande City Council urges you to vote "Yes" on Measure D-10.

s/ Tony Ferrara, Mayor  
s/ Jim Guthrie, Mayor Pro Tem  
s/ Joe Costello, Council Member  
s/ Chuck Fellows, Council Member  
s/ Caren Ray, Council Member

**NO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE D-10 WAS SUBMITTED**