

**OFFICIAL BALLOT  
NOVEMBER 6, 2012 CONSOLIDATED GENERAL ELECTION  
SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:**

To vote, fill in the oval like this:  **Vote both sides of the card.**

To vote for the 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 qualified write-in candidate, write in the candidate's full name on the Write-In line and fill in the OVAL next to it. To vote on a measure, fill in the OVAL next to the word "Yes" or the word "No". If you tear, deface or wrongly mark this ballot, return it to the Elections Official and get another.

**PARTY-NOMINATED OFFICES**

The party label accompanying the name of a candidate for party-nominated office on the general election ballot means that the candidate is the official nominee of the party shown.

**VOTER-NOMINATED AND NONPARTISAN OFFICES**

All voters, regardless of the party preference they disclosed upon registration, or refusal to disclose a party preference, may vote for any candidate for a voter-nominated or nonpartisan office. The party preference, if any, designated by a candidate for a voter-nominated office is selected by the candidate and is shown for the information of the voters only. It does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party or that the party approves of the candidate. The party preference, if any, of a candidate for a nonpartisan office does not appear on the ballot.

**PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT**

Vote for One

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| <input type="radio"/> | <b>GARY JOHNSON</b><br>For President        | Libertarian          |
|                       | <b>JAMES P. GRAY</b><br>For Vice-President  |                      |
| <input type="radio"/> | <b>ROSEANNE BARR</b><br>For President       | Peace and Freedom    |
|                       | <b>CINDY SHEEHAN</b><br>For Vice-President  |                      |
| <input type="radio"/> | <b>BARACK OBAMA</b><br>For President        | Democratic           |
|                       | <b>JOSEPH BIDEN</b><br>For Vice-President   |                      |
| <input type="radio"/> | <b>JILL STEIN</b><br>For President          | Green                |
|                       | <b>CHERI HONKALA</b><br>For Vice-President  |                      |
| <input type="radio"/> | <b>THOMAS HOEFLING</b><br>For President     | American Independent |
|                       | <b>ROBERT ORNELAS</b><br>For Vice-President |                      |
| <input type="radio"/> | <b>MITT ROMNEY</b><br>For President         | Republican           |
|                       | <b>PAUL RYAN</b><br>For Vice-President      |                      |
| <input type="radio"/> | Write-in _____                              |                      |

**UNITED STATES SENATOR**

**SCHOOL**

**SAN LUIS OBISPO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

**UNITED STATES SENATOR**

Vote for One

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| <input type="radio"/> | <b>DIANNE FEINSTEIN</b><br>Party Preference: Democratic<br>United States Senator            |
| <input type="radio"/> | <b>ELIZABETH EMKEN</b><br>Party Preference: Republican<br>Businesswoman/Nonprofit Executive |

**GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER TRUSTEE AREA NO. 2**

Vote for One

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| <input type="radio"/> | <b>BARBARA GEORGE</b><br>Retired Educator            |
| <input type="radio"/> | <b>DAVID MARK BALDWIN</b><br>Business Representative |
| <input type="radio"/> | Write-in _____                                       |

**UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE**

**LUCIA MAR UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE 24th District**

Vote for One

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| <input type="radio"/> | <b>LOIS CAPPS</b><br>Party Preference: Democratic<br>Congresswoman/Nurse       |
| <input type="radio"/> | <b>ABEL MALDONADO</b><br>Party Preference: Republican<br>Farmer/Business Owner |

**GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER TRUSTEE AREA NO. 1 TWO YEAR TERM**

Vote for One

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| <input type="radio"/> | <b>DEREK G. CARNES</b><br>Parent/Administrative Assistant |
| <input type="radio"/> | <b>JEFFREY W. STEIN</b><br>Community College Instructor   |
| <input type="radio"/> | <b>CHAD ROBERTSON</b><br>Business Owner/Paramedic         |
| <input type="radio"/> | Write-in _____  |

**STATE SENATOR**

**STATE SENATOR 17th District**

Vote for One

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| <input type="radio"/> | <b>LARRY BEAMAN</b><br>Party Preference: Republican<br>School Board Member |
| <input type="radio"/> | <b>BILL MONNING</b><br>Party Preference: Democratic<br>Assemblymember      |

**GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER TRUSTEE AREA NO. 2 FOUR YEAR TERM**

Vote for One

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| <input type="radio"/> | <b>EDITH "EDIE" CAJAS</b><br>Retired School Employee |
| <input type="radio"/> | <b>CATHY SPRINGFORD</b><br>Real Estate Broker        |
| <input type="radio"/> | <b>MIKE FULLER</b><br>Businessman                    |
| <input type="radio"/> | <b>VICKI MEAGHER</b><br>Retired Teacher              |
| <input type="radio"/> | Write-in _____                                       |

**MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY**

**CITY**

**MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY 35th District**

Vote for One

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| <input type="radio"/> | <b>K.H. "KATCHO" ACHADJIAN</b><br>Party Preference: Republican<br>Small Businessman/Assemblyman |
| <input type="radio"/> | <b>GERALD "GERRY" MANATA</b><br>Party Preference: Democratic<br>City Transportation Employee    |

**CITY OF GROVER BEACH**

Vote for One

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| <input type="radio"/> | <b>PHYLLIS A. MOLNAR</b><br>City Council Member                   |
| <input type="radio"/> | <b>DEBBIE PETERSON</b><br>Grover Beach Councilwoman/Businesswoman |
| <input type="radio"/> | Write-in _____  |

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**COUNCILMEMBER**  
Vote for no more than Two

**ANITA SHOWER**  
Author/Consultant

**LIZ DOUKAS WHITE**  
Court Reporter/Businesswoman

**LOUIS A. ROBLES**  
Journeyman Ironworker

**JEFF LEE**  
Civil Engineer

**KAREN BRIGHT**  
Incumbent

Write-in

Write-in

**DISTRICT**

**PORT SAN LUIS HARBOR DISTRICT**

**COMMISSIONER**  
Vote for no more than Three

**KAREN HIATT**  
Retired Customs Executive

**DAVID KIRK**  
Farmer/Commercial Fisherman

**JULIAN J. VARELA**  
Business Owner/Educator

**MARQUIS "MARQ" MILLER**  
Business Owner

**MARY MATAKOVICH**  
Appointed Commissioner/Educator

**BILL BARROW**  
Commercial Fisherman

**MARK BURNES**  
Real Estate Broker

**JIM BLECHA**  
Harbor Commissioner/Biologist

Write-in

Write-in

Write-in

**MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS**

**STATE**

**PROPOSITION 30 - TEMPORARY TAXES TO FUND EDUCATION. GUARANTEED LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY FUNDING. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.**  
Increases taxes on earnings over \$250,000 for seven years and sales taxes by ¼ cent for four years, to fund schools. Guarantees public safety realignment funding. Fiscal Impact: Increased state tax revenues through 2018-19, averaging about \$6 billion annually over the next few years. Revenues available for funding state budget. In 2012-13, planned spending reductions, primarily to education programs, would not occur.

YES  NO

**PROPOSITION 31 - STATE BUDGET. STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE.**  
Establishes two-year state budget. Sets rules for offsetting new expenditures, and Governor budget cuts in fiscal emergencies. Local governments can alter application of laws governing state-funded programs. Fiscal Impact: Decreased state sales tax revenues of \$200 million annually, with corresponding increases of funding to local governments. Other, potentially more significant changes in state and local budgets, depending on future decisions by public officials.

YES  NO

**PROPOSITION 32 - POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS BY PAYROLL DEDUCTION. CONTRIBUTIONS TO CANDIDATES. INITIATIVE STATUTE.**  
Prohibits unions from using payroll-deducted funds for political purposes. Applies same use prohibition to payroll deductions, if any, by corporations or government contractors. Prohibits union and corporate contributions to candidates and their committees. Prohibits government contractor contributions to elected officers or their committees. Fiscal Impact: Increased costs to state and local government, potentially exceeding \$1 million annually, to implement and enforce the measure's requirements.

YES  NO

**PROPOSITION 33 - AUTO INSURANCE COMPANIES. PRICES BASED ON DRIVER'S HISTORY OF INSURANCE COVERAGE. INITIATIVE STATUTE.**  
Changes current law to allow insurance companies to set prices based on whether the driver previously carried auto insurance with any insurance company. Allows proportional discount for drivers with some prior coverage. Allows increased cost for drivers without history of continuous coverage. Fiscal Impact: Probably no significant fiscal effect on state insurance premium tax revenues.

YES  NO

**PROPOSITION 34 - DEATH PENALTY. INITIATIVE STATUTE.**  
Repeals death penalty and replaces it with life imprisonment without possibility of parole. Applies retroactively to existing death sentences. Directs \$100 million to law enforcement agencies for investigations of homicide and rape cases. Fiscal Impact: Ongoing state and county criminal justice savings of about \$130 million annually within a few years, which could vary by tens of millions of dollars. One-time state costs of \$100 million for local law enforcement grants.

YES  NO

**PROPOSITION 35 - HUMAN TRAFFICKING. PENALTIES. INITIATIVE STATUTE.**  
Increases prison sentences and fines for human trafficking convictions. Requires convicted human traffickers to register as sex offenders. Requires registered sex offenders to disclose Internet activities and identities. Fiscal Impact: Costs of a few million dollars annually to state and local governments for addressing human trafficking offenses. Potential increased annual fine revenue of a similar amount, dedicated primarily for human trafficking victims.

YES  NO

**PROPOSITION 36 - THREE STRIKES LAW. REPEAT FELONY OFFENDERS. PENALTIES. INITIATIVE STATUTE.**  
Revises law to impose life sentence only when new felony conviction is serious or violent. May authorize re-sentencing if third strike conviction was not serious or violent. Fiscal Impact: Ongoing state correctional savings of around \$70 million annually, with even greater savings (up to \$90 million) over the next couple of decades. These savings could vary significantly depending on future state actions.

YES  NO

**PROPOSITION 37 - GENETICALLY ENGINEERED FOODS. LABELING. INITIATIVE STATUTE.**  
Requires labeling of food sold to consumers made from plants or animals with genetic material changed in specified ways. Prohibits marketing such food, or other processed food, as "natural." Provides exemptions. Fiscal Impact: Increased annual state costs from a few hundred thousand dollars to over \$1 million to regulate the labeling of genetically engineered foods. Additional, but likely not significant, governmental costs to address violations under the measure.

YES  NO

**PROPOSITION 38 - TAX TO FUND EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS. INITIATIVE STATUTE.**  
Increases taxes on earnings using sliding scale, for twelve years. Revenues go to K-12 schools and early childhood programs, and for four years to repaying state debt. Fiscal Impact: Increased state tax revenues for 12 years--roughly \$10 billion annually in initial years, tending to grow over time. Funds used for schools, child care, and preschool, as well as providing savings on state debt payments.

YES  NO

**PROPOSITION 39 - TAX TREATMENT FOR MULTISTATE BUSINESSES. CLEAN ENERGY AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY FUNDING. INITIATIVE STATUTE.**  
Requires multistate businesses to pay income taxes based on percentage of their sales in California. Dedicates revenues for five years to clean/efficient energy projects. Fiscal Impact: Increased state revenues of \$1 billion annually, with half of the revenues over the next five years spent on energy efficiency projects. Of the remaining revenues, a significant portion likely would be spent on schools.

YES  NO

**PROPOSITION 40 - REDISTRICTING. STATE SENATE DISTRICTS. REFERENDUM.**  
A "Yes" vote approves, and a "No" vote rejects, new State Senate districts drawn by the Citizens Redistricting Commission. If rejected, districts will be adjusted by officials supervised by the California Supreme Court. Fiscal Impact: Approving the referendum would have no fiscal impact on the state and local governments. Rejecting the referendum would result in a one-time cost of about \$1 million to the state and counties.

YES  NO

**CITY**

**CITY OF GROVER BEACH**

**MEASURE I-12**  
Shall the City of Grover Beach be changed from a general law city to a charter city through the adoption of the charter proposed by Resolution No. 12-42 of the Grover Beach City Council?

YES  NO

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# 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 your Ballot. Each candidate's statement in this pamphlet is volunteered by the candidate and is printed at his or her expense. Each candidate's statement is printed in uniform format as submitted by the candidate.

Please note that all the statements printed in Spanish, at the candidates' request, follow the English statements for that same contest.

Arguments in support of or in opposition to the proposed laws are the opinions of the authors

## 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. 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.

35<sup>th</sup> Assembly District Candidates

K. H. "Katcho" Achadjian

Gerald "Gerry" Manata

17<sup>th</sup> Senate District Candidates

Larry Beaman

Bill Monning

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
U.S. REPRESENTATIVE, 24<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

**LOIS CAPPS**

**Occupation:** Congresswoman, Nurse

**Education and Qualifications:** I raised my family on the Central Coast and worked as a nurse and teacher in Santa Barbara public schools. I've been honored to serve San Luis Obispo County in Congress representing your values and priorities.

That's why I have stood up for Middle Class families and voted to crack down on skyrocketing credit card fees and rate increases. It's why I voted to hold Wall Street accountable for its reckless behavior.

I know we can do more to help our economy recover. That's why I support targeted investments in infrastructure, clean energy and high tech research and development: to put people to work and promote new business. And it's why I've worked to increase financial aid to make college more affordable, so our students can compete in a competitive global marketplace.

I will continue to protect Social Security and Medicare. And I will always be a champion for our veterans and their hard-earned benefits. We must safeguard our environment, including protecting the Central Coast from more offshore oil drilling which threatens our scenic coastline, coastal economy and public health. I will continue fighting for sensible healthcare policies, including protecting a woman's right to choose, opposing efforts to block access to birth control or eliminating federal funding for Planned Parenthood. And I voted to ensure equal pay for women.

On November 6th, I would be honored to have your support so we can continue making a positive difference in people's lives.

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
U.S. REPRESENTATIVE, 24<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

**ABEL MALDONADO**

**Age: 45**

**Occupation:** Farmer, Business Owner

**Education and Qualifications:** Irresponsible deficit spending has created a \$15.5 trillion national debt and done little to improve our economy. Isn't it time we hold Washington accountable and fix the failed policies that took America backwards? To spur the economic development, Congress should enact tax credits for employers who create good paying clean jobs. It should develop new energy technologies that spur economic growth by creating good paying clean jobs. Congress should simplify the tax code so employers focus on job creation.

As a boy, I picked strawberries to help my family make ends meet. Good schools took me out of the fields and taught me how to help turn a half-acre plot of land into a family business that employs hundreds of our neighbors. Our children deserve the same kind of opportunities we enjoyed. That's why Congress must invest in education and make college more affordable. It must also strengthen Medicare and Social Security to ensure America keeps its promise to seniors.

To achieve these goals, Washington must stop the irresponsible spending that has wasted billions overseas and billions more on fraud and corruption. It must prevent future bank bailouts and take care of Main Street – not Wall Street.

It should fix a broken health care system by enacting reforms that improve the quality of care, not spend trillions we don't have and raise the cost of health care insurance premiums.

The root of America's problems is that Washington cares about Washington. Isn't it time we elect someone who cares about us?

**DECLARACIÓN DE LA CANDIDATA A  
DIPUTADA DE EE. UU., 24.º DISTRITO ELECTORAL**

**LOIS CAPPS**

**Ocupación:** Congresista, enfermera

**Educación y competencias:** Crié a mi familia en la Costa Central y trabajé como enfermera y maestra en escuelas públicas de Santa Bárbara. Ha sido un honor servir al Condado de San Luis Obispo en el Congreso representando sus valores y prioridades.

Por esa razón he defendido a las familias de clase media y he votado para tomar medidas energéticas para acabar con las tarifas que se disparan de las tarjetas de crédito y los aumentos en las tasas de interés. Por eso voté por hacer responsable a Wall Street por su comportamiento imprudente.

Sé que podemos hacer más para ayudar a nuestra economía a recuperarse. Por eso apoyo las inversiones orientadas a la infraestructura, la energía limpia, y la investigación y el desarrollo de alta tecnología: para poner a trabajar a la gente y promover nuevos negocios. Y por esta razón he trabajado para aumentar la ayuda financiera para que la universidad sea más accesible, de manera que nuestros estudiantes puedan competir en un mercado global competitivo.

Continuaré protegiendo el Seguro Social y Medicare. Y siempre seré una firme defensora de nuestros veteranos y de los beneficios que han ganado con mucho esfuerzo. Debemos salvaguardar nuestro ambiente, incluso proteger la Costa Central de la extracción marítima de petróleo que amenaza nuestra pintoresca costa, la economía de la costa y la salud pública. Continuaré luchando por políticas razonables de atención médica, incluida la protección al derecho de la mujer a decidir, oponiéndome a los esfuerzos por bloquear el acceso a los anticonceptivos o a la eliminación de los fondos federales para la planificación familiar. Y voté para asegurar una paga igualitaria para las mujeres.

El 6 de noviembre, sería un honor tener su apoyo para que podamos continuar haciendo una diferencia positiva en la vida de las personas.

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**DECLARACIÓN DEL CANDIDATO A  
DIPUTADO DE EE. UU., 24.º DISTRITO ELECTORAL**

**ABEL MALDONADO**

**Edad: 45**

**Ocupación:** Agricultor, propietario de empresa

**Educación y competencias:** El gasto irresponsable del déficit ha creado una deuda nacional de \$15.5 billones y ha hecho poco por mejorar nuestra economía. ¿No es tiempo de que Washington se haga responsable y arregle las políticas fallidas que hicieron que Estados Unidos retrocediera? Para estimular el desarrollo de la economía, el Congreso debe establecer créditos fiscales para los empleadores que crean trabajos transparentes con buena paga. Debe desarrollar nuevas tecnologías de energía que estimulen el crecimiento económico mediante la creación de trabajos transparentes con buena paga. El Congreso debe simplificar el código financiero para que los empleadores se enfoquen en la creación de empleos.

De niño, recogía fresas para ayudar a mi familia a salir adelante. Las buenas escuelas me sacaron de los campos y me enseñaron cómo convertir un terreno de aproximadamente 2020 metros cuadrados en un negocio familiar que emplee a cientos de nuestros vecinos. Nuestros niños merecen el mismo tipo de oportunidades de las que nosotros disfrutamos. Por eso el Congreso debe invertir en educación y hacer la universidad más accesible. También debe reforzar Medicare y el Seguro Social para asegurar que Estados Unidos cumpla su promesa a los ancianos.

Para alcanzar estos objetivos, Washington debe detener el gasto irresponsable que ha desperdiciado miles de millones en el extranjero y miles de millones más en fraude y corrupción. Debe evitar que se tengan que hacer rescates futuros a los bancos y ocuparse de Main Street y no de Wall Street.

Debe arreglar el sistema descompuesto de la atención médica mediante la promulgación de reformas que mejoren la calidad de la atención, no gastar billones que no tenemos y elevar el costo de las primas de seguros de atención médica.

La raíz de los problemas de Estados Unidos es que Washington se preocupa por Washington. ¿No es tiempo de elegir a alguien que se preocupe por nosotros?

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
STATE SENATOR, 17<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT**

**LARRY BEAMAN**

**Age: 39**

**Occupation:** Local Businessman, School Board Trustee, Youth Soccer Coach

**Education and Qualifications:** Why re-elect the same old politicians who have utterly failed to fix our problems? They tax and spend money we don't have, and we get more debt and no reform. Lawmakers have given way to the special interests and lobbyists with big money. This corrosive combination has resulted in bad laws and very poor budgeting. Disapproval ratings are at an all-time high for State Legislators from both parties. Voters have come to accept that California is broke and Sacramento is broken.

Let's start by electing someone new... with a youthful and optimistic perspective. My candidacy offers new energy & fresh leadership on how to best save our State. Your vote for Larry Beaman is a wise investment in a brighter future for California. I am married and the proud Father of three public school-aged children. Currently, I am honored to serve our community as the Board President for the Scotts Valley Unified School District. Other notable community service includes being an active member of the Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis and coaching youth soccer teams.

Approximately one-half of our California state budget goes to Education. Children and taxpayers need to get more accountability from that massive investment. Our State leaders must work more closely with parents, teachers & students to support excellence and performance in the classroom. California cannot afford to spend Billions for extraneous bureaucracy.

As your Senator, "We, the People" must work together as partners and discover real solutions for California. Let's begin today! Vote Larry Beaman for Senate. (831) 430-2053 or [larrybeaman@sbcglobal.net](mailto:larrybeaman@sbcglobal.net)

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
STATE SENATOR, 17<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT**

**BILL MONNING**

**Occupation:** Assemblymember

**Education and Qualifications:** Since 2008, when I was elected to the Assembly, I've used my skills in conflict resolution and mediation to tackle our state's challenges. That's why I'm asking you to send me to the State Senate. Because experience and judgment matter.

As an Assemblymember, I can tell you that in Sacramento – as bad as things seem in the headlines – persistence and determination get things done. I've had 26 bills signed into law, under both Republican and Democratic Governors.

With your support, I would be honored to represent the people of San Luis Obispo County.

I want to build on my service as Chair of the Assembly Committee on Health, promoting healthy lifestyles, battling the scourge of childhood obesity, and protecting our most vulnerable, including people with mental health issues and the disabled living in long-term care facilities.

I'll continue to focus on the environment and job growth by supporting agriculture, tourism, and small businesses, including the many farms, ranches, and wineries critical to the County's economic health. I'll make sure we're providing our schools, colleges, and universities the funding that allows our kids to thrive. And, I'll keep pushing for greater highway safety improvements, and fight to give our first responders the support they need to keep our communities safe.

On November 6th, you can be part of the solution. Together, we can preserve what's special about San Luis Obispo County and keep California moving forward.

I'd be honored to receive your vote. For more information, please visit [www.billmonning.org](http://www.billmonning.org).

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## DECLARACIÓN DEL CANDIDATO A SENADOR ESTATAL, 17.º DISTRITO

### **BILL MONNING**

**Ocupación:** Miembro de la Asamblea

**Educación y competencia:** Desde 2008, cuando me eligieron para la Asamblea, he usado mis habilidades de resolución y mediación de conflictos para enfrentar los retos de nuestro estado. Es por eso que le pido que me envíe al Senado Estatal. Porque la experiencia y el juicio importan.

Como miembro de la Asamblea, le puedo decir que en Sacramento, aun cuando los titulares indican que las cosas andan mal, la persistencia y la determinación logran que las cosas se hagan. En periodos de gobernadores tanto republicanos como demócratas, he logrado que se aprueben 26 proyectos de ley.

Con su apoyo, sería un honor representar a la gente del Condado de San Luis Obispo.

Quiero ampliar mi servicio como presidente del Comité de Salud de la Asamblea, al promover estilos de vida saludables, frenar el flagelo de la obesidad infantil y proteger a la gente más vulnerable, incluidas las personas con problemas de salud mental y con discapacidades que viven en establecimientos de cuidado a largo plazo.

Seguiré concentrándome en el ambiente y el crecimiento de empleos mediante el apoyo a la agricultura, al turismo y a los pequeños negocios, incluidas las diversas granjas, ranchos y bodegas que son fundamentales en la salud económica del condado. Me aseguraré de que nuestras escuelas y universidades cuenten con los fondos para que nuestros hijos salgan adelante. Y seguiré impulsando mejoras más grandes en la seguridad de las carreteras, y lucharé para dar a nuestros socorristas el apoyo que necesiten para mantener nuestras comunidades a salvo.

El 6 de noviembre, usted puede ser parte de la solución. Juntos podemos conservar lo que hace especial al Condado de San Luis Obispo y hacer que California siga progresando.

Sería un honor para mí recibir su voto. Para obtener más información, visite la página [www.billmonning.org](http://www.billmonning.org).

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, TRUSTEE AREA NO. 2  
San Luis Obispo County Community College District**

**BARBARA GEORGE**

**Occupation:** Retired Educator

**Education and Qualifications:** Cuesta College is a treasure we need to preserve. I am the right person at the right time to bring leadership and vision to respond to Cuesta's challenges. I have experience in community college budget preparation and management, and in acquiring other sources of funding. I served on every Cuesta accreditation team until 2004 when it was acclaimed one of the finest colleges anywhere. I was selected to serve on accreditation teams for other colleges in California, Washington and Utah.

I have lived and worked in SLO County for 42 years--as Director of Recreation for Morro Bay and as a counselor for the County Office of Education. As a Cuesta College Administrator, I built the Cuesta Foundation, raised and managed assets of \$18 million which provided funding for students, faculty, programs and services. I collaborated to raise funds to establish the Paso Robles campus which now serves thousands of students.

As Trustee I will be informed, prepared and accessible. I am an independent thinker with success in collaborative problem-solving. I bring solid judgment, informed thinking and an abiding and deep commitment to the success of Cuesta College -- its students, faculty and staff -- and the communities it serves.

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, TRUSTEE AREA NO. 2  
San Luis Obispo County Community College District**

**DAVID M. BALDWIN**

**Age: 45**

**Occupation:** Business Representative, Trustee

**Education and Qualifications:** In my current capacity as a trustee of two employee pension plans, I am part of a team that oversees administration, ensures legal compliance, develops policy and evaluates service providers that the board hires and manages.

I take seriously the high standard of conduct required of those put in a position of trust.

I am committed to the principle of fiscal prudence that is at the heart of everything a trustee does.

Cuesta College is one of three community colleges in California that is threatened with losing its accreditation. I will use the experience and leadership I've developed over 16 years as a trustee and board chairman to ensure Cuesta is once again recognized as a leading community college.

It is time for new ideas and common sense problem solving at Cuesta.

Cuesta belongs to all of us and is at the center of educational opportunity for both traditional and non-traditional students. I feel a responsibility, a desire and a duty to the community where I have lived for 45 years to ensure Cuesta survives as an essential local institution.

My experience as a trustee gives me a unique opportunity to do so with a fresh, open-minded and informed perspective.



**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, TRUSTEE AREA NO. 2  
Lucia Mar Unified School District**

**EDITH “EDIE” CAJAS**

**Occupation:** Retired School Employee

**Education and Qualifications:** As a life long resident of Arroyo Grande, I attended local schools and graduated from Arroyo Grande High School.

Most of my life has been dedicated to the youth of our community. As a parent, community leader, and retired Lucia Mar Unified School District employee, I will bring unique insight to the school board, listen with an open mind, and bring a common sense approach to issues and problem solving.

I worked as a Special Education Instructional Assistant for 28 years at North Oceano/Fairgrove Elementary. As past president of LMUSD’s California School Employees Association, I have worked with administrators, teachers, classified employees, and served on many LMUSD committees. During my tenure with the district, I attended nearly all school board meetings for more than a decade. I have received numerous leadership awards from the city, state and LMUSD. My detailed knowledge of the school district will bring balance to the board.

School involvement and experience has prepared me to make decisions ensuring that the students of our district receive a quality education while upholding the districts policies and budget responsibilities.

I am asking for your vote for Area 2 Trustee of Lucia Mar Unified School District. 489-3154

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, TRUSTEE AREA NO. 2  
Lucia Mar Unified School District**

**CATHY SPRINGFORD**

**Age: 59**

**Occupation:** Real Estate Broker, Attorney

**Education and Qualifications:** I served two years on the Superintendent’s Budget Review Committee, analyzing and studying the District’s budget and providing input to the Superintendent on budget issues. I currently serve on the District’s 7-11 Committee studying whether lands owned but not currently used by the District should be declared surplus land by the Board. I previously served on the School Site Councils, PTO and Booster’s Club boards for three of our schools. My children have attended District schools for 8 years. I was a business and real estate trial attorney for 30 years and served as 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 be a student-focused Trustee, helping the District spend its budget responsibly, promote high academic standards and expectations, collaborate with private business to expand the District’s resources and expand career pathways to accommodate all students’ abilities. I am an objective, solution-oriented parent willing to spend the time and effort to serve responsibly as your Trustee. I ask for your vote.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, TRUSTEE AREA NO. 2  
Lucia Mar Unified School District**

**MIKE FULLER**

**Occupation:** Financial Advisor

**Education and Qualifications:** More than ever, our schools need outside business experience to help make sensible financial decisions. I feel that I am the ideal candidate to be a board member for the LMUSD. Not only have I been an independent financial advisor for nearly 17 years, but I have grown up on the Central Coast since 1969. I am a graduate of AGHS and Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo and have 3 children of my own in the district, including one with special needs. I am uniquely qualified for the position in that I have had to spend countless hours advocating for my child with special needs in this district and I have also spent 4 years as an Arroyo Grande City Council member. And most importantly I realize that as a board member, I will work for you the voter, not any attorney or administrator. Finally, I will work to give our kids at AGHS a track and football field that is at least up to par with that of our surrounding high schools. I would appreciate your vote on November 6<sup>th</sup>.

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, TRUSTEE AREA NO. 2  
Lucia Mar Unified School District**

**VICKI MEAGHER**

**Occupation:** Retired Teacher

**Education and Qualifications:** I want to serve on the Lucia Mar Unified School Board because I care about children and their education. I want to see the Lucia Mar District continue to provide an outstanding education for all students.

During my 38 years of teaching, I taught 4 years each at Nipomo and Dana Elementary, and the remaining 30 years at Grover Heights Elementary.

I am knowledgeable and ready to assume the position of Trustee. Serving as a member of the Superintendent's Budget Review Committee for 2 years, attending District Budget Study Sessions and numerous Board meetings, and staying current with changes in the district makes me prepared to be a Trustee.

I will represent all members of the community. I remain a respected and trusted member of the learning community and have supporters at all levels including District and school personnel, parents, and students. I will bring their perspectives to the Board.

I will dedicate the time necessary to study all issues and will make myself available to the community.

I am the candidate of all the children! I listen. I care. My number is 709-3680; email [vmeagher@aol.com](mailto:vmeagher@aol.com). I would appreciate your vote.

**DECLARACIÓN DE LA CANDIDATA A  
MIEMBRO DE LA JUNTA DE GOBIERNO, ZONA EDUCATIVA NO. 2  
Distrito Escolar Unificado de Lucía Mar**

**VICKI MEAGHER**

**Ocupación:** Maestra jubilada

**Educación y competencia:** Quiero ser miembro de la Junta Escolar Unificada de Lucía Mar porque me preocupo por los niños y su educación. Quiero ver que el Distrito de Lucía Mar continúe brindando una educación sobresaliente para todos los estudiantes.

Durante mis 38 años de enseñanza, enseñé 4 años respectivamente en la Primaria Nipomo y en la Primaria Dana, y los 30 años restantes en la Primaria Grover Heights.

Estoy bien informada y lista para asumir el puesto de miembro del Consejo de Administración. Debido a que fungí como miembro del Comité para la Revisión del Presupuesto del Superintendente durante 2 años, asistí a las Sesiones de Estudio del Presupuesto del Distrito y a varias reuniones de la Junta, y permanecí al tanto de los cambios en el distrito, estoy preparada para ser miembro del Consejo de Administración.

Representaré a todos los miembros de la comunidad. Sigo siendo un miembro respetado y confiable de la comunidad educativa y tengo simpatizantes en todos los niveles entre los que se encuentran el personal escolar y del Distrito, los padres y los estudiantes. Llevaré sus puntos de vista a la Junta.

Dedicaré el tiempo necesario para estudiar todos los asuntos y estaré disponible para la comunidad.

¡Soy la candidata de todos los niños! Escucho. Me preocupo. Mi número es el 709-3680; correo electrónico [vmeagher@aol.com](mailto:vmeagher@aol.com). Agradecería su voto.

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
MAYOR  
City of Grover Beach**

**PHYLLIS A. MOLNAR**

**Age: 57**

**Occupation:** Business Owner

**Education and Qualifications:** Who is Phyllis A Molnar?

I am a second generation American. My background is Irish/Hungarian/English. Molnar is the Hungarian equivalent of Miller in English. I am a homeowner and business owner in the City of Grover Beach. I am married with a son in the Navy.

A brief history: I started working at twelve with the usual jobs: babysitting, restaurant and retail. Later at a major drug store chain I became an in-store buyer of seasonal products. I formed my own corporation and licensed childcare facility working with local and state government. Of course during those years I attended college, enabling me to start my present bookkeeping business.

Currently I am a member of the Grover Beach City Council; I feel my background qualifies me to become Mayor of Grover Beach.

As a resident of this city, I share the same concerns as other residents. I want a safe community with improved infrastructure and feel that our limited resources should be used wisely and not on irrelevant projects. In addition I will listen to the needs of my fellow residents and work to address their issues.

For information: [www.phyllismolnar.com](http://www.phyllismolnar.com)

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
MAYOR  
City of Grover Beach**

**DEBBIE PETERSON**

**Age: 56**

**Occupation:** City Council Member, Businesswoman

**Education and Qualifications:** My goal is to serve as your Mayor and advocate.

With your support I will: preserve our friendly small town atmosphere and unique environment, encourage existing and new businesses, head of household jobs, affordable and senior housing, promote Grover Beach and pursue infrastructure funding for streets, downtown, and beach front.

As your council member I've served on the County Visitor & Convention Bureau, Economic Vitality Corporation, Chamber of Commerce, Housing Trust Fund, Bridging Poverty Conference 2011 and Council Marketing Committee.

I have lived in Grover Beach for 14 years. From 2005-2007 I was a Planning Commissioner and Chairperson. I have 30 years economic development and board experience and have launched, managed and owned food manufacturing, distribution, retail, management consulting, wine export and real estate companies with up to 85 employees.

I seek best practice in business and government. Experienced leadership is vital in difficult financial times and times of growth. As we move into the last two years of our 30-year Beach Front Lodge project and launch our fiber optic Virtual Port the City needs leadership with vision, experience and the ability to maximize the benefits of these projects for our citizens.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL  
City of Grover Beach**

**ANITA SHOWER**

**Occupation:** Author, Consultant

**Education and Qualifications:** My name is Anita Shower. I've lived in Grover Beach since 1974. I am completing my education at Eastern Oregon University with a B.S., in Liberal Studies, a Minor in Business Administration and a Minor in Gender Studies. I am a published author, having written the Grover Beach history book and co-authored two etiquette books. I am the President of the Board of the Exploration Station in Grover Beach and President of the Rotary Club Central Coast Eco.

My concern for this city has always been. I am a fixture at city council meetings. I attend planning commission meetings; was a member of the city's Traffic And Noise Group; and a member of our Neighborhood Watch Program. I care about the city and her residents. There must be a solution to our dilapidated streets; to properties that have sandbag curbs that have been in place for twenty years; to our economic woes that we blame on the State or on the lack of our share of tax revenues; to the lack of vitality to our business core. I will ask questions. I will review the financial data of the city.

With respect I ask for your vote.

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL  
City of Grover Beach**

**LIZ DOUKAS WHITE**

**Age: 53**

**Occupation:** Court Reporter, Businesswoman

**Education and Qualifications:** For 20 years I have been a self-employed Certified Shorthand Court Reporter at both the State and Federal levels. I have extensive background in reporting the record in legal matters, including specialized public agency hearings. I was previously employed for many years at Pacific Bell in various office positions including payroll and management-level administration.

I have personally been an active participant in the Traffic and Noise Group, Neighborhood Watch, have attended many City Council meetings and workshops. I am a proud member of Eco-Rotary, Central Coast. As your representative I will be dedicated to achieving a healthy fiscal future and a quality way of life. I want to get to the business of taking care of business for this city and its citizens.

My goals are simple: Fiscal responsibility, a strong infrastructure with street rehabilitation the number one priority, strong public and pedestrian safety, openness and accountability in government, increasing and ensuring housing for our senior citizens, but most importantly my intent is to at all times listen to our citizens and what they want for our community.

Your vote for me as City Council representative will guarantee your voice will be heard.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL  
City of Grover Beach**

**LOUIS A. ROBLES**

**Age: 46**

**Occupation:** Journeyman Ironworker

**Education and Qualifications:** For a construction project to be successful and to stand the test of time it requires a solid and well-built foundation. The same is true for our local government.

I work in our community as an Ironworker building the foundations and infrastructure that allows the Central Coast to grow and prosper. Hard work, dedication, and a commitment to excellence are the skills that I learned on the job and will bring to the job as your Councilmember.

We need to refocus our City Council on the basic foundations of government and the priorities of our community. On the Council I will advocate for your concerns, express your ideas, and act as an open line of communication between the City and residents.

As your Councilmember I will ensure that our priorities are economic development, increasing head of household jobs, reducing crime, creating opportunities for students and rebuilding our local infrastructure.

I am proud to have grown up in Grover Beach, to be a father here and to work here. Together, we can keep Grover Beach a great community to live, work and raise a family.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve as your Councilmember and respectfully ask for your vote.

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL  
City of Grover Beach**

**KAREN BRIGHT**

**Age: 54**

**Occupation:** Buyer

**Education and Qualifications:** I was elected to serve on City Council in November 2008 after being appointed in May 2007; previously I served three terms as Planning Commissioner. The accumulation of those years of experience and knowledge has enabled me to become a responsive and effective City leader.

I am a 25-year Grover Beach resident and community volunteer including: past President/Board Member Grover Heights PTA, Judkins PTA, Beach Cities Little League, Grover Beautiful, Grover Beach Citizen Advisory.

I'm proud of our City, of what we've accomplished to date and our efforts to continue to move forward. To that end it is imperative we support and encourage local business and public/private partnerships to boost our economic vitality. We must continue to operate within a balanced budget and live within our means while providing essential services to our residents. Public safety continues to be of the highest priority.

My 26 years experience in the public sector has provided me a foundation for sound decision making and good judgment. I take my fiduciary responsibility seriously and with your support will continue to represent the interests of all Grover Beach residents and businesses ethically, fairly, respectfully and with an open mind. I appreciate your vote.

**DECLARACIÓN DE LA CANDIDATA A  
ALCALDESA  
Ciudad de Grover Beach**

**DEBBIE PETERSON**

**Edad: 56**

**Ocupación:** Miembro del Concejo Municipal, empresaria

**Educación y competencia:** Mi objetivo es desempeñarme como su Alcaldesa y defensora.

Con su apoyo: preservaré nuestra amigable atmósfera de pequeña ciudad y ambiente único; fomentaré los negocios existentes y nuevos negocios, trabajos para jefes de familia, viviendas asequibles y para las personas de la tercera edad; promoveré Grover Beach y buscaré financiamiento para la infraestructura de las calles, el centro y la zona costera.

Como miembro del concejo, participé en la Oficina de Convenciones y Visitas del Condado, la Corporación de Vitalidad Económica, la Cámara de Comercio, el Fondo de Inversiones para la Vivienda, la Conferencia para la Reducción de la Pobreza 2011 y el Comité de Mercadotecnia del Concejo.

He vivido en Grover Beach durante 14 años. Desde 2005-2007 fui Comisionada de Planeación y Presidenta. Tengo 30 años de experiencia en desarrollo económico y en el concejo . Fundé, administré y he sido la propietaria de compañías de producción de alimentos, distribución, venta al por menor, consultoría gerencial, exportación de vinos y bienes raíces con hasta 85 empleados.

Busco las mejores prácticas en los negocios y en el gobierno. Un liderazgo con experiencia es vital en los tiempos de dificultad financiera y en los tiempos de crecimiento. Mientras avanzamos hacia los dos últimos años de nuestro proyecto de 30 años Beach Front Lodge y lanzamos el Puerto Virtual de fibra óptica, la ciudad necesita liderazgo con visión, experiencia y habilidad para maximizar los beneficios de estos proyectos para nuestros ciudadanos.

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**DECLARACIÓN DEL CANDIDATO A  
MIEMBRO DEL CONCEJO MUNICIPAL  
Ciudad de Grover Beach**

**LOUIS A. ROBLES**

**Edad: 46**

**Ocupación:** Herrero especializado

**Educación y competencia:** Para que un proyecto de construcción tenga éxito y resista el paso del tiempo, necesita cimientos sólidos y bien construidos. Lo mismo ocurre en nuestro gobierno local.

Trabajo en nuestra comunidad como herrero y construyo los cimientos y la infraestructura que permite el crecimiento y la prosperidad de la Costa Central. El trabajo duro, la dedicación y el compromiso con la excelencia son habilidades que aprendí en el trabajo y que llevaré al trabajo como su miembro del Concejo.

Necesitamos volver a enfocar nuestro Concejo Municipal hacia las bases del gobierno y las prioridades de nuestra comunidad. En el Concejo defenderé sus preocupaciones, expresaré sus ideas y actuaré como una línea abierta de comunicación entre la ciudad y sus residentes.

Como miembro del Concejo, me aseguraré de que las prioridades sean el desarrollo económico, el aumento de los trabajos para los jefes de familia, la reducción del crimen, la creación de oportunidades para los estudiantes y la reconstrucción de nuestra infraestructura local.

Me siento orgulloso de haber crecido en Grover Beach, de ser padre aquí y de trabajar aquí. Juntos, podemos mantener a Grover Beach como una gran comunidad para vivir, trabajar y tener una familia.

Aprecio la oportunidad de ser su miembro del Concejo y pido su voto respetuosamente.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
COMMISSIONER  
Port San Luis Harbor District**

**KAREN HIATT**

**Age: 64**

**Occupation:** Retired Customs Executive

**Education and Qualifications:** BS, UC Irvine, SMG, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University. I spent 26 years in the US Treasury Department administering a wide variety of financial and commercial programs including port administration. I have broad knowledge of federal budget procedures which will be helpful in assisting the port in securing much needed federal funding to support dredging and anti-terrorism activities. I have also been involved in sailing and boating activities for many years, including small boat usage in Port San Luis.

I understand the needs and frustrations of local boaters in trying to get better access to their boats. It is important that Port San Luis remains a full service port that is able to launch all sizes of vessels throughout the year. The Commission should continue to explore creative solutions to keep the harbor clear of silt. This is imperative not only to meet the needs of local fishermen and boaters, but for the needs of law enforcement and the safety of the port as well.

I support the development of Harbor Terrace and other concessions to enhance the experience of visitors to the port. These developments will generate revenue to support needed repairs and capital improvements.

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
COMMISSIONER  
Port San Luis Harbor District**

**JULIAN J. VARELA**

**Occupation:** Business Owner, Health and Wellness Educator

**Education and Qualifications:** As a resident of San Luis Obispo County for 11 years and Avila Beach for nearly a decade, I've come to deeply value our inviting community, successful small businesses, and breath-taking environment; I feel blessed to live in SLO County.

Over the last 18 years I have dedicated my life to working in the health and wellness community. I continually help fight childhood obesity and foster the creation of healthier communities through education, policy-making and advocacy. As a co-owner of Equilibrium Fitness, a local fitness facility, I understand the challenges our local businesses face and I am dedicated to helping our community and economy thrive. I am committed to finding a balance between future development to improve our economy while helping preserve the access and integrity of our waters, beaches, piers and parks.

As a harbor commissioner I want to protect our coast's environment and economic viability, help make San Luis Obispo the crown jewel of the central coast and ensure that our community remains healthy and vibrant for generations to come. With enthusiasm and passion I look forward to representing you and the Port San Luis Harbor District.



**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
COMMISSIONER  
Port San Luis Harbor District**

**MARQUIS “MARQ” MILLER**

**Occupation:** Owner/operator Avflite Industries

**Education and Qualifications:** Candidates make promises in order to get elected. I feel the best way to determine whom to vote for is to know the candidate’s background and what they stand for. I believe a person’s most valuable asset is their good character; I have tried to live my life accordingly.

**Personal:** Native Californian, raised in Lompoc, married 55 years, 3 children, 7 grandchildren, B.S. degree Business, JD degree Law and current flight instructor and commercial pilot certificates.

**Employment:** Retired from Los Angeles County District Attorney’s Office as head of Program Compliance. Served as Board member of Oceano Community Services District, Board Member Oceano Boys and Girls Club, Member Sheriff Aero Squadron, Board Member and Personnel Commissioner for SLO County Office of Education, and Member County Animal Services Advisory Committee. Former Captain in California State Military Reserve.

**Goals:** I have long enjoyed the Port San Luis pier, visiting the lighthouse and walking through Avila, as do my children and grandchildren. One of my goals is to ensure that visitors, fishermen, businesses and residents continue to have an environmentally safe Harbor, Pier and Beach. Your vote will be appreciated.

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
COMMISSIONER  
Port San Luis Harbor District**

**MARY MATAKOVICH**

**Occupation:** Appointed Harbor Commissioner, Educator

**Education and Qualifications:** I am asking for your vote so I may continue my service as your Harbor Commissioner. Since my appointment nine months ago, I have worked with the other Commissioners to implement the Harbor District’s plan and policies, while addressing the opinions, desires, and expectations for services expressed by the public. I am committed to the District’s goals and its vision for the future.

My experiences as a Commissioner include: responding to public input; implementing fiscal responsibility measures; supporting safe and clean beaches; expanding opportunities for recreational, educational, and commercial activities; ensuring public access to all facilities; supporting fisheries; and restoring a sustainable harbor environment.

My home for the past 28 years is Avila Beach. I am well-acquainted with the coastal community and serve on various community groups that are integrated with the Harbor District. I strongly believe in collaborative management and empowering community members to help make substantive decisions regarding the District’s direction. My experiences and record as a local educator and a non-profit volunteer have prepared me well for this position. I will do whatever it takes to ensure the District’s success.

Please vote Mary Matakovich, Port San Luis Harbor Commissioner.

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
COMMISSIONER  
Port San Luis Harbor District**

**MARK EDWARD BURNES**

**Age: 55**

**Occupation:** Real Estate Broker

**Education and Qualifications:** I am blessed to have been born, raised and lived my entire life (55 yrs) at the beach here in California – the last 32 right here on the Central Coast. The ocean is my life and I am deeply dedicated to its proper care and maintenance, as well as open access to all.

I served 8 years on the Pismo Beach Planning Commission – 2 terms as Chairman, 3 terms as Vice-Chairman and 3 of my 4 appointments were unanimous. I reviewed hundreds of projects and ordinances and became intimately familiar with the workings of a Public Agency, and clearly understand that a Public Official must listen to the Public.

This deep experience along with my profession as a top SLO County Commercial Real Estate Broker will allow me to serve the citizens well with the Harbor District's present projects: the development at Harbor Terrace, the redevelopment and proper leasing of the Harford Pier.

I strongly support Commercial Fishing, Strong tourism and marketing, Unimpeded access for all, Dredging year round, Private and Public fund raising.

I will serve as I always have with honor, integrity and objectivity.

I would very much appreciate your vote.

[www.mark4pshc.com](http://www.mark4pshc.com)

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**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR  
COMMISSIONER  
Port San Luis Harbor District**

**JIM BLECHA**

**Age: 66**

**Occupation:** Marine/Aquatic Biologist

**Education and Qualifications:** M.Sc. Zoology, Harbor Commissioner 1983 - 1998, 2000 - 2012.

Port San Luis is the jewel of our coast. As Commissioner, my intent has always been to manage the inevitable changes that will come to our area of coastal California in a way to enhance, not destroy, the character of the Port.

Port San Luis must remain a full service port with year round, functional facilities and infrastructure to protect commercial and recreational boats, load and unload vessels, reliably launch and haul out all vessels, fuel them and provide water taxi service and a fully functional boat yard.

The District's best option for the necessary independent revenue source is development of Harbor Terrace with mixed uses of tent camping, cabins, restaurant, and gear and boat storage. Other ocean related recreational opportunities will be developed or enhanced.

Working on the water as a professional biologist, I know what it takes to make 'boat stuff' easier on the boating public. As a sitting commissioner, I understand the effects of the stark realities of time, money, and priorities on our Port.

The challenges ahead for PSLHD need to be met by a commissioner with vision, pragmatism, and a sense of history. Experience counts. Vote Blecha Harbor Commissioner.

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**DECLARACIÓN DE LA CANDIDATA A  
COMISIONADA  
Distrito del Puerto de Port San Luis**

**MARY MATAKOVICH**

**Ocupación:** Comisionada del Puerto designada, educadora

**Educación y competencia:** Pido su voto para poder continuar mi servicio como su Comisionada del Puerto. Desde mi nombramiento hace nueve meses, he trabajado con otros Comisionados para implementar el plan y las políticas del Distrito del Puerto y, al mismo tiempo, he atendido las opiniones, los deseos y las expectativas de servicios expresados por el público. Estoy comprometida con las metas del Distrito y su visión para el futuro.

Mi experiencia como Comisionada incluye: responder a las contribuciones del público; implementar medidas de responsabilidad fiscal; mantener las playas seguras y limpias; expandir las oportunidades para las actividades recreativas, educativas y comerciales; asegurar el acceso público a todas las instalaciones; apoyar al sector pesquero, y restaurar un ambiente portuario sostenible.

Mi hogar durante los últimos 28 años es Avila Beach. Estoy familiarizada con la comunidad costera y he participado en varios grupos de la comunidad que están integrados con el Distrito del Puerto. Creo firmemente en la administración colaborativa y en el empoderamiento de los miembros de la comunidad para que contribuyan a tomar decisiones fundamentales con respecto a la dirección del Distrito. Mi experiencia e historial como educadora local y voluntaria sin fines de lucro me han preparado bien para este puesto. Haré lo que sea necesario para asegurar el éxito del Distrito.

Por favor vote por Mary Matakovich, Comisionada del Puerto de Port San Luis.

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**CITY OF GROVER BEACH  
IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE I-12**

**City of Grover Beach Changing from a General Law City to a Charter City**

**Introduction.** Measure I-12 asks voters if the City of Grover Beach should be changed from a General Law City to a Charter City. Of California's 482 cities, approximately 25% are governed by charters, including locally San Luis Obispo, Santa Maria, and Solvang. Measure I-12 would convert Grover Beach from a general law to a charter city. The charter would be the City's Constitution and allow the City to control its municipal affairs without interference from the State Legislature. Municipal affairs include election procedures, bidding for contracts, and rules for use of City property. The City would remain subject to state laws on matters of statewide concern. Matters of statewide concern include open meeting and public records, environmental protection, and bargaining with employee associations.

**Key Provisions.**

Sections 100 and 101 provide the City all powers over municipal affairs a charter city can legally have.

Section 200 preserves the existing Council-Manager form of government and Section 202 preserves the current elected offices: 5 Council Members (including a Mayor and Vice Mayor) and establishes a minimum six-month residency requirement for all candidates. Section 202 limits Council Members' pay to what state law allows for general law cities and states no Council Member may receive a pension or unemployment insurance. Section 203 says elections will continue to be governed by state law and protects voter powers of initiative, referendum, and recall.

Section 300 requires the City to promote economic and community development and to preserve Grover Beach's beach-town character. Section 301 exempts the City from provisions of the California Public Contract Code as it pertains to purchasing of goods and services and bidding processes on public works, allowing the Council to set the rules and regulations for those processes. Section 302 exempts it from prevailing wages for construction projects, unless state or federal law or the City Council requires otherwise. Section 303 allows a limited bid advantage for local businesses. Section 304 supports the use of volunteers to build community projects. Section 305 states adoption of the charter will give the City no new power to impose taxes and fees. State law will require voter approval for all new taxes and many new fees.

Sections 400 and 401 are intended to protect Grover Beach's revenues from the State.

Section 501 allows for unlimited General Plan amendments per year, abolishing the limit of three under state law.

If approved by Grover Beach's voters, the Charter will take effect when filed with the Secretary of State and only voters of Grover Beach can amend or repeal it. The proposed charter and more information are available at <http://www.grover.org>.

s/ Martin D. Koczanowicz  
Grover Beach City Attorney

**The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure I-12. If you desire a copy of the full text of the measure, it is available on the City of Grover Beach website at <http://www.grover.org> or please call the City Clerk's Office at (805) 473-4567 and a copy will be made available at no cost to you.**

## **ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE I-12**

We believe converting the Grover Beach form of government from a General Law to a "Home Rule" Charter City will give citizens greater control over municipal affairs, improve the City's efficiency and preserve and protect local dollars. Currently the City derives its ability to operate from a constitution that is dependent on State law. As a Charter City a locally drafted charter approved by the voters becomes their constitution.

In recent years the State has raided City funds on numerous occasions, taking millions of dollars without repayment. Even so, we have continued to balance our own budget. The City operates under State Law. Our Charter would provide some protection from state raids on our funds. Changes to the charter can only be made by going to a vote of the people.

The City Council carefully developed a charter that would provide the greatest benefits for the City's residents. The Charter will:

Reduce Sacramento control over local affairs

Provide greater protection from State revenue grabs and unfunded mandates

Promote the use of local business and support Economic Development

Enable the City to establish local purchasing and bidding procedures

Establish a 6 month residency requirement for Council candidates

Allow the City to exempt itself from prevailing wage requirements for local projects funded by City generated dollars

Support use of volunteers in municipal projects

The Charter does not change:

Council Member compensation

The election process or procedure

Term Limits

Current taxing authority or create taxes

The Charter will help keep the State out of local affairs and will allow for more cost effective and efficient operation of the City. Savings from local purchasing and bidding procedures along with the easing of prevailing wage requirements will provide more funds to preserve services and complete more projects.

Please vote. Make Grover Beach a Charter City.

s/ Bill Nicolls, Mayor Pro Tem

s/ Karen Bright, Council Member

s/ Debbie Peterson, Council Member

**NO REBUTTAL TO THE ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF  
MEASURE I-12 WAS SUBMITTED**

## **ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE I-12**

Vote No on Measure I-12. This charter initiative gives the City of Grover Beach a free hand “to set standards, procedures, rules or regulations on all aspects of the bidding, award and performance of any public works contract.” This means public works projects can be awarded without a formal, competitive bidding process or the City of Grover Beach may perform the work using its own employees, but this includes the risk involved in the City’s self-inspection of its own employees’ work.

Fair competition means a lower price and a better value from licensed and skilled contractors. Wouldn’t you want the lowest price that is guaranteed by competitive bidding? Public agencies using formal bidding procedures are currently seeing bids below their engineer’s estimates. These cost savings are being used by those cities and public agencies to complete other projects that were on hold because they lacked funding. Competitive bidding benefits the community and stimulates local economic growth.

The California Public Contract Code (PCC) protects the public from misuse of public funds, provides a fair opportunity to all qualified bidders and eliminates favoritism, fraud and corruption in the awarding of public works contracts. Measure I-12 will exempt the City of Grover Beach from the PCC provisions that were created to ensure a fair, open and transparent government. The City Council is asking you to give them the power to spend freely and award public works contracts without any restrictions. If you want the City Council to be held accountable for how they spend your tax dollars, then we urge you to vote No on Measure I-12.

s/ David A. McCosker, President, Construction Industry Force Account Council (CIFAC)

## **REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE I-12**

A Yes Vote on Measure I-12 is about local people using local dollars hiring local workers and companies to complete local projects. The Charter, or City Constitution, allows Grover Beach the flexibility to set local standards and procedures for the bidding and awarding of City public works contracts.

Becoming a Charter City will not eliminate the competitive bidding process. Public works projects will continue to come before the City Council for public hearings prior to the awarding of contracts.

The City, under the Charter will continue to uphold a fair, open and transparent government. The Charter allows the Council to be more accountable and do more with your tax dollars.

Vote Yes on Measure I-12 to take control of your local tax dollars and protect your best interests.

s/ Bill Nicolls, Mayor Pro Tem  
s/ Karen Bright, Council Member  
s/ Debbie Peterson, Council Member

# WHAT'S NEW FOR THIS ELECTION

## Top Two “Voter-Nominated” Candidates

### What is it?

In 2010, California voters approved Proposition 14 creating the “Top-Two Primary,” which replaced the traditional party-nominated primary. Only the candidates who receive the highest and second-highest number of votes cast during the Primary election advance to the General election. Write-in candidates are no longer allowed for these contests during the General election. The new rules apply to U.S. Senate, U.S. Congressional, statewide and state legislative offices. The rules for non-partisan contests (i.e. counties, cities, school and special districts) did not change.

### Party Preference and Political Party Endorsement

The term "party preference" is now used in place of the term "party affiliation". On the ballot, the political party preference, or no party preference, as indicated on the candidate's voter registration is listed next to or below the candidate's name. The party designation is shown on the ballot for the information of the voters only and it does not constitute or imply an endorsement by the party designated. Parties may provide a list of candidates who have received the official endorsement of the party for printing in this booklet.

### PARTY ENDORSEMENTS FOR THE NOVEMBER 6, 2012 ELECTION

Party	Contests	Candidate
Democratic	U.S. Senate U.S. Representative, 24th State Senate, 17th State Assembly, 35th	Dianne Feinstein Lois Capps Bill Monning Gerald “Gerry” Manata
American Independent	State Assembly, 35th	K. H. “Katcho” Achadjian
Republican	U.S. Senate U.S. Representative, 24th State Senate, 17th State Assembly, 35th	Elizabeth Emken Abel Maldonado Larry Beaman K. H. “Katcho” Achadjian