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Subject: Measure Y Discussions Monday Evening

Dear City Councilmembers,

With the public given a minute or two at the microphone against special interests and developers, Measure Y and its parent measures was the way to allow San Mateo residents to voice what they've wanted here for 30 years.

With the most recent *Yes on Y* vote barely cooling off, it is being brought up Monday though it didn't inhibit us from meeting our RHNA housing needs. Even those vocalizing that Y seemed a split vote can not deny that \$1.5 million of developer money made a huge contribution to that. The People have spoken. Y should remain, as it has been and currently is, woven into the General Plan. However, in introducing a new General Plan, one where the previous council maximized development options, it seems to force the hand to ask voters yet again to vote on Measure Y protections. We can all expect millions more will be spent by special interests to promote their cause. One might say that happily, YOU do not represent the special interests. You represent the voting residents. Correct?

Over and above this, it's with a keen memory that Councilmember Lee worked closely with the Hillsdale mall developer and lobbied hard for Measure R, the measure to defeat Measure Y. It was voted down handily, even after Lee rallied, but failed, to have Claire Mack attach her name to it. Councilmember Lee, just after Measure Y's victory was announced, you met with Bohannon who said, "We must continue the great work that brought us to the cusp of victory defeating Measure Y." Your response? "*I'm in this with you. The fight is not over.*" I presume that you intend to recuse yourself from any discussions and decisions having to do with Measure Y? If not, the residents will surely want to understand why, since it is the right and honorable thing to do.

The voters have spoken. You represent them. Uphold Measure Y.

Thank you,

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