ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE J

For generations, the Yuba Community College District (YCCD) has provided vocational job training, academic preparation for four-year universities, and training for nurses, law enforcement and firefighters who serve our community.

It is vital to the economic well-being and safety of our community that we offer these educational opportunities close to home.

It is also important that we provide our students access to modern teaching methods, materials and learning environments they need to achieve long-term success.

Unfortunately, most of YCCD's buildings and classrooms, (built in the 1960's), have become severely outdated, and are in dire need of repair.

- After 40 years, it is essential that we make the necessary investments to improve:
  - Laboratories and classrooms to support expanded nursing, fire training and health-care programs
  - Wiring to support modern computers and instructional technology
  - Outdated electrical, plumbing, heating and cooling systems

If approved, Measure J will fund these and other improvements throughout the District.

Measure J funds will also:

- Modernize classrooms, laboratories, the library and theatre at Yuba College
- Construct Sutter County's first Community College facility, offering coursework for two and four-year degrees
- Renovate and add classrooms, expand the agriculture program and build a new auditorium at Woodland Community College
- Provide permanent classrooms to offer more courses leading to two and four-year degrees, and expand the Early Childhood Education program in Colusa County
- Build new classroom facilities at both Yuba and Woodland Community College sites to expand student access to 4 year university degrees.

Measure J funds will remain in our community and cannot be taken by the State.

Measure J cannot be used to pay salaries or administrative costs and will include guaranteed annual audits and a citizens oversight committee. Measure J will also allow YCCD to qualify for state matching funds.

Please join community, business and educational leaders throughout our district in voting YES on Measure J.

/s/ Lora Cecon, Executive Director, Colusa One-Stop Partnership
/s/ Richard D. Teagarden, Yuba County Superintendent of Schools
/s/ Russell B. Clark, Business Owner, Yuba-Sutter Chamber Board Member and Community Leader
/s/ Bob Baldev Singh, Board Chairman, Del Norte Clinics and Chair, California Human Development Corporation
/s/ David M. Flory, Mayor, City of Woodland

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE J WAS SUBMITTED