REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE L

San Bernardino's 111-year-old charter served the city well for about 100 years. It was written when there were fewer than 10,000 residents. Today, with over 200,000 residents, the charter doesn't work. The charter must serve the needs of a modern city.

The City filed bankruptcy in 2012. In 2016, the Bankruptcy Court Recovery Plan for San Bernardino states, among other things:

> ➤ "The City's governance structure is highly complex and unique compared with any other city in California."

> ➤ "Until fundamental government and management issues are resolved, it will be difficult to operate in a modern and efficient manner."

> ➤ "No other city in California has followed this peculiar governmental approach."

The current charter is 49 pages long and has hundreds of amendments and city attorney opinions. The fine print is mind-boggling. The new charter is streamlined with only twelve pages.

Measure L:

✓ Requires a balanced budget and an annual financial audit that must be shared with the public.

✓ Changes City elections from odd dates to the same dates as regular State and Federal elections. More voters will be heard on critical quality of life decisions, and combining elections will save taxpayers tens of thousands of dollars.

✓ Ensures that our Police will not be outsourced, like the Fire Department was.

The City will always have its history and traditions. We need people who will fight to make San Bernardino successful, accountable, and transparent.

Join us. Vote YES on Measure L.

s/ Jill Vassilakos-Long, President, League of Women Voters, San Bernardino Area
s/ Dr. Ernie Garcia, Professor Emeritus and Former Dean of Education, California State University, San Bernardino
s/ Tammy Martin-Ryles, President, Black Chamber of Commerce, Inland Cities Chapter
s/ Gloria Macias Harrison, Small Businesswoman
s/ Chris Mann, Founder, Inland Empire Taxpayers Association

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