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Argument In Support Of Measure W

Vote **Yes** on **Measure W** and finally put Apple Valley on the path to **Community Ownership of Your Water System**. Water is the life blood of any community and for far too long Apple Valley’s water rates and future have been dictated by an out of Town for-profit company.

A yes vote ensures that your tax dollars will **Not** be raised, or spent on the acquisition and financing of the Water System. These assurances would apply to the financing of any major enterprise project.

A **Yes** on **Measure W** will:

- **Bring Local Control** to your Water System and stop the continuous, outrageous water rate increases and surcharges.
- Take our Water System out of the hands of shareholders only interested in profits and gives control to our residents and ratepayers where it belongs.
- Protect Taxpayers – **No Tax Dollars** will be spent on the financing, or acquisition of the Water System.
- Put safeguards in place that applies to the financing of any enterprise project and includes an **Independent Annual Audit**.

These are just a few of the reasons the Vast Majority of all Water Systems are Publicly Owned. **Why Should We Pay So Much More Than Our Neighboring Communities Pay For Water?**

Your Town Council Voted Unanimously to put this Measure on the ballot for your consideration in Community Ownership of the Water System and ensure the future of Apple Valley’s Economy and “Better Way of Life.”

It was best said by Presiding Judge Karen Townsend regarding Missoula Montana’s successful acquisition of their water system from Liberty Utilities, **“Its contemplated use of the water system as a municipally owned water system is more necessary than the current use as a privately owned for-profit enterprise.”**

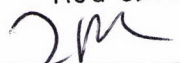
Please Join Us And Vote **Yes On Measure W**.

s/Barb Stanton, Mayor
Town of Apple Valley

s/Scott Nassif, Mayor Pro Tem
Town of Apple Valley

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