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Good morning Ms. Noor,

Below is the Rebuttal to Argument In Favor Of Measure I. Attached is the signed Statement by Authors for the rebuttal. I am the sole author of the rebuttal this time.

Joseph Kelly
Former Director, Big Bear Airport District

Please acknowledge receipt of this email and inform me as to proofing and acceptance.

I thank you deeply for all of your help in this matter.

Joseph

Rebuttal to Argument In Favor Of Measure I

Argument in favor of this new tax, is a list of FAILURES by overpaid "LEADERSHIP" at BBFA. Firefighters do their work day and night, but "leadership" has failed, now demanding more money to hide their failures.

The same people who push this new tax, said in 1999 a local parcel tax would fix the financial problems. That fire tax passed and we are paying it now, increasing each year! Why pay a THIRD TAX to cover "leadership" failures?

In 2012, the same tax/spend folks said that they could save money by combining BBL and BBC Fire. WRONG! The fire department is campaigning, with tax dollars, making political promises. You paid for all those brochures in the mail. Fact is, the new tax can be used for "leadership" pay raises or anything else! Stations/Firefighters/Equipment are barely mentioned in this measure and not guaranteed!

The tax pushers claim this new tax charges visitors. That is FALSE! This is a PROPERTY TAX. It directly charges local property owners only! This measure does not tax ski lift tickets, does not impose a sales tax on visitors and does not charge a "bed tax" on visitors!

Fire department documents show $100,000+ consultants and "leadership" hatched a strategy to charge local property owners first, before charging visitors. "Leadership" knew that CHARGING VISITORS FIRST WOULD DEFEAT THIS NEW TAX!

What about ALTERNATIVES? Fire "leadership" REFUSES to give us the less expensive choice of County Fire, as Fawnskin loves.

Hold "leadership" responsible.

Vote NO on Measure I.

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Joseph Kelly

STATEMENT BY PROPONENTS/AUTHORS OF ARGUMENTS

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The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the:

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   Title BIG BEAR AIRPORT DISTRICT

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