

## **Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure T**

Don't be misled – the opponents have their facts wrong. It's a shame they turned their backs on Redlands without regard for our community's needs.

Businesses, educators, public safety leaders and longtime residents SUPPORT Measure T because it's the most fiscally responsible way to maintain critical services for Redlands residents.

### **Here are the facts:**

**Fact:** The City has a strong track record of fiscal responsibility and already cut salaries and services. Despite those efforts, Redlands is still facing an almost \$6 million deficit. Without Measure T, deeper cuts will be made, impacting our emergency services, parks, roads and overall quality of life.

**Fact:** Nearly all sales tax revenue generated locally goes to the State or County. Every penny of Measure T stays right here in Redlands to maintain essential services. The State and San Bernardino County can't access Measure T funds.

**Fact:** 9-1-1 response times have increased dramatically in the past four years and are much longer than what experts recommend. Measure T ensures we have the police, firefighter/paramedics and resources to respond to emergencies and keep our community safe.

**Fact:** Measure T is a modest 1% increase to our current rate, and ensures visitors pay their fair share for community services.

**Fact:** Essential items like groceries and prescription medicine are exempt from Measure T, limiting the burden on those with fixed or limited incomes.

**Fact:** Measure T includes strict taxpayer accountability provisions to ensure all funds are properly spent.

As Redlands neighbors – we hold ourselves accountable to our community.

**That's why we're voting YES on T.**

Mario Saucedo, 62 Year Resident  
Joe Richardson, Redlands Planning Commissioner  
Patty Holohan, Board President, RUSD  
Stan Weisser, Former Redlands Man of the Year  
Peggy D. Brier, Former Woman of the Year

STATEMENT BY PROPONENTS/AUTHORS OF ARGUMENTS

Redlands City Clerk

Elections Code section 9600 requires that all arguments concerning measures shall be accompanied by the following statement, to be signed by each proponent and by each author, if different, of the argument.

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

Check the appropriate box below:

Argument In Favor of (Proponents)

Rebuttal to the Argument In Favor of (Opponents)

Argument Against (Opponents)

X Rebuttal to the Argument Against (Proponents)


Ballot measure T at the General election for the City of Redlands

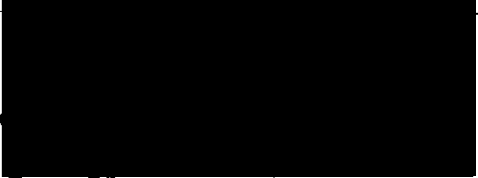
to be held on November 3, 2020 hereby state that this argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

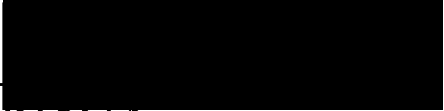
Proponents/Authors:

Signature block for Mario Saucedo, 62 Year Resident, dated 08-19-2020.

Signature block for Joe Richardson, Redlands Planning Commissioner, dated 8/19/2020.

Print Name <u>Patty Holohan</u> Title <u>Board President, RUSO</u>	Signature  Date <u>8-20-2020</u>
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Print Name <u>Jan Weisser</u> Title <u>Former Redlands MAN of THE YEAR</u>	Signature  Date _____
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Print Name <u>Peggy D. Brier</u> Title <u>Former Woman of the year</u>	Signature  Date <u>8/20/20</u>
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