

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE TUOLUMNE CITY SANITARY DISTRICT TO OPPOSE INITIATIVE 21-0042A1

WHEREAS, an association representing California's wealthiest corporations and developers is spending millions to push a deceptive proposition aimed for the November 2024 statewide ballot; and

WHEREAS, the proposed proposition, Initiative 21-0042A1, has received the official title: "LIMITS ABILITY OF VOTERS AND STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO RAISE REVENUES FOR GOVERNMENT SERVICES. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT."

WHEREAS, the measure includes provisions that would make it more difficult for local voters to pass measures needed to fund local services and infrastructure, and would limit voter input by prohibiting local advisory measures where voters provide direction on how they want their local tax dollars spent; and

WHEREAS, the measure exposes taxpayers to a new wave of costly litigation, limits the discretion and flexibility of locally elected boards to respond to the needs of their communities, and injects uncertainty into the financing and sustainability of critical infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the measure severely restricts state and local officials' ability to protect our environment, public health and safety, and our neighborhoods against corporations and others who violate the law; and

WHEREAS, the measure creates new constitutional loopholes that would allow corporations to pay less than their fair share for the impacts they impose on our communities, including local infrastructure, our environment, water quality, air quality, and natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the measure threatens billions of dollars currently dedicated to state and local services, and could force cuts to wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal provided by Tuolumne City Sanitary District as well as public schools, fire and emergency response, law enforcement, public health, parks, libraries, affordable housing, services to address homelessness, mental health services, and more; and

WHEREAS, the measure would also reduce funding for critical infrastructure like streets and roads, public transportation, ports, drinking water, sanitation, utilities, and more.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the TUOLUMNE CITY SANITARY DISTRICT hereby opposes Initiative 21-0042A1; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tuolumne City Sanitary District will join the No on Initiative 21-0042A1 coalition, a growing coalition of public safety, labor, local government, infrastructure advocates, and other organizations throughout the state. We direct staff to email a copy of this adopted resolution to the California Special Districts Association at advocacy@csda.net.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of TUOLUMNE CITY SANITARY DISTRICT held on May 3, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAINED:

ABSENT:

John Feriani, Board President
TCSD Board of Director

ATTEST:

Brenda Bonillo, TCSD District Secretary
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF TUOLUMNE ss.
TUOLUMNE CITY SANITARY DISTRICT

CERTIFICATION OF TUOLUMNE CITY SANITARY DISTRICT RESOLUTION

I, Brenda Bonillo, District Secretary of the Tuolumne City Sanitary District, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution No. 2023-02, adopted by the Governing Board of Directors of the Tuolumne City Sanitary District, California on May 3, 2023, which is now on file in my office.

Witness my hand and seal of the Tuolumne City Sanitary District, California, this 3rd day of May, 2023.

Brenda Bonillo, District Secretary