## **MEASURE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS**

# DISTRICT

## BEL MARIN KEYS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT PARCEL TAX MEASURE D

Shall the Bel Marin Keys Community Services District (the "District"), be authorized to levy a Parcel Tax in the amount of \$510 upon each taxable parcel of property within the District, commencing in the fiscal year 2002-2003 and increasing thereafter at the rate of 2% per year for the specific purpose of paying for the capital costs of and costs of operation and maintenance of the District's marine facilities and related costs?

## BEL MARIN KEYS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT PARCEL TAX IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL MEASURE D

This measure, if approved by two-thirds of those voting thereon, would authorize the levy of a Parcel Tax by the Bel Marin Keys Community Services District commencing in fiscal year 2002-2003. The Parcel Taxes are in the amount of \$510.00 per each taxable parcel of property in the district, increasing at the rate of 2% per year after the first year. The Measure states that the proceeds of the taxes would be used for the specific purpose of paying for the capital costs, and operation and maintenance costs, of the District's marine facilities and related costs.

Dated: August 22, 2001

PATRICK K. FAULKNER County Counsel

#### ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE D

Your "YES" vote for a Parcel Tax will make money available every year for maintenance dredging, professional waterways management, lock maintenance, and water quality testing. All of the money collected will be spent only for the benefit of our community-wide marine facilities. This money will be kept in a restricted account to be used for the repair, improvement, maintenance, and operation of our marine facilities. This special tax will result in long-lasting improvements to our community and will benefit all property owners.

A professional waterways management company working with a citizens advisory committee composed of six members representing the waterways (two each from the North Lagoon area, South Lagoon area, and Creek area) will advise the Community Services District Board of Directors regarding where and when maintenance should be undertaken.

This special tax will free up our general fund operating budget to pay for the community-wide services we expect from our local government, such as landscaping, streetlights, community center, newsletter, architectural control, and general maintenance and operations. Our general fund for these services will no longer be strained by continuing emergency waterway expenditures.

Approval of Measure D is the most cost effective way of putting into place a funding vehicle that will be a continuing and **RESTRICTED** source of money to pay for annual waterways maintenance, dredging, and other waterways projects as they are needed.

Your "YES" vote will authorize an annual parcel tax of \$510 per parcel that will be a part of your regular county tax bill and may be treated as any other tax for purposes of income tax deduction. Without your approval of Measure D, our waterways will continue to deteriorate!

A 2/3rds affirmative vote of those voting will preserve one of the most beautiful areas in Marin County. Vote "YES" on D.

- s/ Shirley Graves President BMK CSD
- s/ Victoria Williams Clarke Finance Director BMK CSD
- s/ Vince Lattanzio President BMK HomeOwners Association
- s/ Barbara G. Boak Community Association Citizen Co-Chair
- s/ Robert T. Foley
  Director BMK HomeOwners Association

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST THIS MEASURE WAS SUBMITTED