ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE H

Since 1983, the voters in the Ross Valley have overwhelmingly approved a special tax to provide paramedic service. To continue this high standard of emergency medical care for four more years, you must now re-approve this measure. The initial Ross Valley Paramedic Authority (RVPA) tax provided for a single ambulance. The demand for paramedic service from our citizens dictates that one ambulance can no longer deliver an adequate response to residents of the area.

To fund improved service without increasing the current tax, the RVPA plans to charge for ambulance transport. This transport charge will be billed to insurance providers, such as Medi-Cal, Medicare, and private insurance carriers. Transport billing is the standard with all other paramedic providers within Marin County.

Your parcel tax covers advanced level services, including dedicated paramedic ambulances in the Ross Valley, 911 responses, and paramedic training. The actual parcel tax will be determined each year. A "YES" vote for this measure does not increase the parcel tax, which has been $30.00 per taxable unit for the past eight years.

Our goal is to continue to improve paramedic services in Ross Valley.

We need YOUR vote to continue this vital service. Vote "YES" on Measure H.

s/ John J. Gray
Mayor
s/ Charles Goodman

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST THIS MEASURE WAS SUBMITTED

End of Measure H