# **MEASURE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS**

#### DISTRICT

## COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 16 SPECIAL TAX MEASURE G

Shall the existing special tax of \$150.00 per annum be increased to \$225.00 per parcel per annum within County Services Area No. 16 to provide additional landscaping and maintenance services within that area?

### COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 16 SPECIAL TAX IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL MEASURE G

If this measure is approved by a two-thirds vote, the existing special tax for County Service Area No. 16 to provide landscaping and maintenance services will be increased from \$150.00 per annum to \$225.00 per parcel per annum.

Dated: August 22, 2001

PATRICK K. FAULKNER County Counsel

# ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE G

The residents of Greenbrae are urged to support the efforts of the Greenbrae Property Owners Association in supporting the increase of the special tax authorized by the voters on November 3, 1993 and renewed in 1997. This assessment was set at \$150 per year and has not changed since then. This special tax supports managing the improvements and maintenance of the entrances and common areas in our community.

Since the passage of the special tax in 1993, the GPOA Board has worked actively to maintain and improve the appearance of our community. This includes major renovations to many of the median islands, replanting and new curbs, new entrances at La Cuesta, Eliseo, Corte Comoda and Manor Road, and the development of a comprehensive long-term capital spending plan to every landscaped island in Greenbrae.

The majority of the current assessment is required simply to maintain the current level of maintenance to which Greenbrae residents have become accustomed. After careful study, including an analysis of funding needs for the next four years, the GPOA Board determined that the increase to the \$225 level is necessary to accumulate a reserve to continue with the island improvements. The current assessment simply does not provide the funds to take on the next stage of work in a meaningful manner.

The efforts of the Board over the last four years are reflected in the vastly improved property value within our community. Many new owners have told us that the appearance of the common areas was one factor that drew them to Greenbrae. Please continue to support the GPOA Board's landscaping and maintenance program by voting "YES" on this measure. Also, help keep our community strong by attending our annual meeting this coming winter. Thank you in advance for your support.

s/ Michael Hillman, President, GPOA

s/ Mark S. Litwin, Past President, GPOA

s/ Daniel B. Brady, Past President, GPOA

s/ Dr. Stephen Jaffe, Past President, GPOA

s/ Harold C. Brown, Jr.
Marin County Supervisor, 2nd district

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST THIS MEASURE WAS SUBMITTED