COUNTY OF SONOMA
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS OFFICE

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STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

The undersigned author(s) of the (select one of the following)

☐ ARGUMENT IN FAVOR (300 WORDS) ☐ REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR (250 WORDS)

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ballot measure 1 at the November 2022 general election election for
the City of Santa Rosa being held on November 8, 2022

hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of his/her/their knowledge and belief.

1. 

Signature/Date (Principal Officer signing of behalf of an Association? □ Yes ☐ No)

Chris Rogers
Print/type your name or Association’s name as it should appear on argument

Mayor, City of Santa Rosa
Title to appear below name on argument (optional-limited to 4 words)

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A ballot argument or rebuttal argument shall not be accepted unless accompanied by the name or names of the person(s) submitting it, or, if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization and the name of at least one of its principal officers. As of May 2020, it is no longer required that signers who are signing as individuals be registered voters in the district. No more than five signatures shall appear with any argument submitted. Arguments may be changed or withdrawn by their proponents until and including the date fixed by the election official for filing. There is a 10 calendar day review period prior to submitting arguments for printing.

E.C. §§8164, 9190, 9283, 9286, 9380, 9551, 9600

Text of arguments/rebuttal arguments should either be typewritten (see reverse side of form) on the reverse side of this form or a typewritten or computer generated statement may be attached to this form. Statements are electronically scanned for typesetting, therefore handwritten arguments will not be accepted for filing.
In early 2017, Santa Rosa was sued under the California Voting Rights Act. The litigants alleged that the at-large nature of Santa Rosa’s elections made it prohibitively difficult for minority candidates to be elected. They were right.

While there are a few examples of minority candidates winning seats on the City Council, the overwhelming history of our city shows that neighborhoods with the highest concentration of Latino and Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC) residents frequently had a preference that was dwarfed by the primarily white areas of the city.

No city has ever won a challenge under the California Voting Rights Act. Not one. Not even cities that had a strong record of electing minority candidates. If a city is found to have violated the California Voting Rights Act, they MUST switch to district elections.

If it was likely that we would lose the lawsuit when we were sued, it became a near-certainty with the annexation of Roseland later that year.

A yes vote on Measure I would codify Santa Rosa’s move to district elections. A no vote would subject the city to a costly legal fight that we cannot win - and we would end up being forced by the courts to implement district elections anyway.

Please vote yes. A no vote needlessly sets the city’s money on fire.

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