

1 [Ballot Argument]

2 AUTHORIZING PROPONENT'S BALLOT ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION A,  
3 A BOND MEASURE REGARDING LAGUNA HONDA HOSPITAL.

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5 IT IS HEREBY MOVED, That pursuant to Section 540 of the Municipal Elections  
6 Code, the Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize a ballot argument in favor of  
7 Proposition A, a bond measure concerning a Resolution determining and declaring that  
8 public interest and necessity demand the acquisition, construction and/or reconstruction by  
9 the City and County of San Francisco of a health care and assisted living or other type of  
10 continuing care facility or facilities to replace Laguna Honda Hospital, and that the  
11 estimated cost of \$299,000,000 for such municipal improvements is and will be too great to  
12 be paid out of the ordinary annual income and revenue of the City and County and will  
13 require lease financing and/or the incurring of bonded debt and/or other evidences of  
14 indebtedness by or for the City and County Laguna Honda Hospital; and be it

15 FURTHER MOVED, That the full text of said argument hereby authorized be as  
16 shown in the copy attached to this motion and is hereby declared to be a part hereof; and,  
17 be it

18 FURTHER MOVED, That the Director of Elections be and is hereby authorized and  
19 directed to include said argument in the pamphlet accompanying the sample ballots to be  
20 mailed to the voters of the City and County of San Francisco for the election to be held on  
21 Tuesday, November 2, 1999.

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The Undersigned authors of this Ballot Argument: X FOR or \_\_\_ AGAINST, PROPOSITION

A at the election to be held in San Francisco on November 2, 1999 hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of (his/her/their) knowledge and belief.

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|                               | Since 1866 San Francisco has cared for our elderly and                | 9                          |
|                               | disabled at Laguna Honda Hospital. Proposition A enables us to        | 10                         |
|                               | continue fulfilling this moral obligation into the next century. From | 10                         |
|                               | both healthcare and financial standpoints, Proposition A prevents a   | 10                         |
|                               | catastrophe we cannot afford.   | 4                          |
|                               | Thousands of San Francisco families have depended on                  | 7                          |
|                               | Laguna Honda Hospital to provide compassionate medical care for       | 9                          |
|                               | elderly or disabled family members whose needs cannot be met at       | 11                         |
|                               | home. All San Franciscans are welcome at Laguna Honda,                | 9                          |
|                               | regardless of their ability to pay. As San Francisco's elderly        | 9                          |
|                               | population increases, the need for Laguna Honda will be even          | 10                         |
|                               | greater.  | 1                          |
|                               | While the majority of Laguna Honda residents are elderly,             | 9                          |
|                               | many are people of all ages - born with disabilities, survivors of    | 11                         |
|                               | debilitating illnesses or severely injured in accidents. Any of us is | 11                         |
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|                            | just a car crash or accident away from needing the hospital's services. Laguna Honda has provided end-of-life care for more AIDS patients than any other hospital or hospice.  | 11<br>11<br>8               |
|                            | Laguna Honda's buildings were damaged in the 1989 earthquake. Most utility and safety systems need long-overdue repair or replacement. The large open wards do not meet government requirements for patient privacy. For these reasons, the federal government has threatened to end funding, which would force Laguna Honda to close. | 8<br>9<br>10<br>9<br>9<br>5 |
|                            | If Laguna Honda closed, with San Francisco's severe shortage of nursing home beds, many patients would fail at home, requiring them to seek expensive emergency room treatment and acute care in hospitals such as San Francisco General.  | 7<br>11<br>9<br>8           |
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|                                      | <p>Extensive studies by medical experts, architects, financial analysts and patient advocates show conclusively that rebuilding Laguna Honda at its current location is the most cost-effective and humane solution.</p> <p>Proposition A combines compassion, state of the art healthcare and fiscal responsibility. Vote YES on A.</p> | <p>7<br/>10<br/>13<br/>16<br/>19<br/>22<br/>25<br/>28<br/>31<br/>34<br/>37<br/>40<br/>43<br/>45</p> |
|                                      | <p>Page 3 of 3</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Total # of Words =</b></p>   | <p>45<br/>290</p>   |

Supervisors Ammiano, Becceril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Leno, Teng, Yaki, Yee



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## Tails Motion

**File Number:** 991397

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Motion authorizing proponent's ballot argument in favor of Proposition A, a bond measure regarding Laguna Honda Hospital.

August 16, 1999 Board of Supervisors — APPROVED

Ayes: 8 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Leno, Yaki, Yee

Noes: 2 - Kaufman, Newsom

Absent: 1 - Teng

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Motion was APPROVED on August 16, 1999 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Gloria L. Young", written over a horizontal line.

Gloria L. Young  
Clerk of the Board