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Hi. I called in but for some reason, I was not allowed to make an public comment today. So I am sending my comment here. Thank you.

My name is Hwaji Shin. I am a mother of a third grader at Alamo Elementary in SF. I am one of immigrant parents who voted in the last election for the first time in the U.S. My son is among 30% of students who participated in the English Learner Program at SFUSD which has been severely impacted during the remote learning. During this pandemic, I came to appreciate even more than before how important it is to have a voice to influence the direction of our school district. I can tell you from my experience that this voting rights empowers an immigrant parent like me and signals that we the immigrant families matter to the city of San Francisco and its schools. So I thank you for your continued political and financial support for this matter.

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(My name is phonetically spelled. Neither H nor W in my first name is silent)