

1 [Rebuttal Argument]

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3 **Authorizing rebuttal to opponent's ballot argument against Proposition A, a Bond**  
4 **Measure regarding a Revenue Bond Election.**

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6 MOVED, That pursuant to Section 550 of the Municipal Elections Code, the Board of  
7 Supervisors does hereby authorize a rebuttal to opponent's ballot argument against  
8 Proposition A, a Resolution calling and providing for a special election to be held in the City  
9 and County of San Francisco for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of said  
10 City and County on November 5, 2002 a proposition for the issuance of revenue bonds  
11 and/or other forms of revenue financing by the Public Utilities Commission in a principal  
12 amount not to exceed \$1,628,000,000 to finance the acquisition and construction of  
13 improvements to the City's water system; making issuance of the bonds subject to the  
14 requirement that San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 37 (Residential Rent  
15 Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance) be amended to provide that (1) 50% of the costs  
16 resulting from increased water rates may be passed through from landlords to residential  
17 tenants where a unit is in compliance with any applicable laws requiring water conservation  
18 devices, and (2) tenants may file hardship applications with the Rent Board for relief from all  
19 or part of the cost passthrough and their affected landlords may utilize any available Public  
20 Utilities Commission low-income rate discount program or similar program for water bill  
21 reduction based on the tenants' hardship status; and for the possible imposition of a  
22 surcharge on retail water customers; and consolidating said special election with the  
23 General Municipal Election to be held on November 5, 2002; complying with Section 53410  
24 of the California Government Code; finding the proposed project is in conformity with the

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Supervisor Ammiano  
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1 priority policies of Planning Code Section 101.1(b) and the City's General Plan. , (File  
2 020910); and, be it

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

5 FURTHER MOVED, That the Director of Elections be and is hereby authorized and  
6 directed to include said argument in the pamphlet accompanying the sample ballots to be  
7 mailed to the voters of the City and County of San Francisco for the election to be held on  
8 Tuesday, November 5, 2002.

**Declaration by Author of Arguments and / or Rebuttals**

THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHOR(S) of this BALLOT ARGUMENT **X FOR** or **\_\_ AGAINST** **PROPOSITION A** FOR THE ELECTION TO BE HELD IN SAN FRANCISCO ON NOVEMBER 5, 2002 HEREBY STATE THAT SUCH ARGUMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF HIS/HER/THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF. ALL SIGNERS OF THIS ARGUMENT MUST BE REGISTERED TO VOTE IN SAN FRANCISCO

*Final  
approved  
in BOV  
8-26-02*

Style Notes B, I, or BI	KEEP TEXT WITHIN THESE VERTICAL LINES	# of words in each line
	Even the opponents agree – our water system must be made seismically safe.	12
	Proposition A is the result of three in-depth studies that show an immediate threat to Hetch Hetchy. Many of the pipes that bring water to San Francisco are over 80 years old and they run over three major earthquake faults.	14 14 12
<b>B</b>	<b>The science is clear. The studies are sound.</b> The delays the opponents ask for will only increase our risk and the ultimate costs of repair.	14 11
	Some facts to remember:	4
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If Proposition A fails, pending legislation (AB 1823) enables the California Department of Health Services to take over the system.</li> <li>• If we lose the system, we will almost certainly lose the tens of millions of dollars of revenue it brings to San Francisco.</li> <li>• Our water rates are some of the lowest in the region – and they will remain competitive with those in the region because Proposition A will enable us to retain control of Hetch Hetchy.</li> <li>• Proposition A includes “lifeline” rates for seniors and low-income tenants, so we can fix the system without undue economic hardship.</li> <li>• Proposition A includes additional citizens oversight to make sure funds are spent efficiently.</li> </ul>	11 9 15 7 15 12 6 11 10 11 2
	The threat is so great, and the costs of delay are so high, that we must put aside the battles between landlords and tenants to unify for Proposition A. Don’t let	18 13



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## Tails Motion

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Motion authorizing rebuttal to opponent's ballot argument against Proposition A, Bond Measure regarding a Revenue Bond Election.

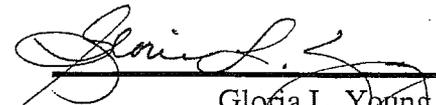
August 26, 2002 Board of Supervisors — APPROVED

Ayes: 8 - Ammiano, Daly, Gonzalez, Leno, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Newsom, Peskin

Noes: 3 - Hall, Sandoval, Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Motion was APPROVED on August 26, 2002 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

  
Gloria L. Young  
Clerk of the Board