ARGUMENT AGAINST CHARTER AMENDMENT MEASURE 1

VOTE NO on Measure 1. Here are the issues every citizen should understand before casting their vote:

**COSTLY and RISKY:** Our city is UNPREPARED for this shift. The Orange County Registrar of Voters implied Huntington Beach may have to manage its OWN separate elections. With NO prior experience, this could become a logistical NIGHTMARE.

**LEGAL CONCERNS:** California's Attorney General and Secretary of State have ALERTED Huntington Beach that this measure could be UNLAWFUL. This uncertainty poses legal and financial RISKS for our city.

**UNCERTAIN COSTS:** With the rush to put this on the ballot, very little financial analysis was completed. The financial implications remain UNKNOWN. The potential for costs running into the MILLIONS looms large. Is a move away from our current RELIABLE and economical system worth this?

**AMBIGUOUS TERMS:** The term "voter identification" is GLARINGLY undefined in this measure. Such vagueness is a DANGEROUS precedent and could COMPROMISE our citizens' constitutional right to vote.

**POLITICAL MANEUVERING:** Mayor Tony Strickland's recent arrival and quick push for this change raises eyebrows. Is this truly for the betterment of Huntington Beach, or a POLITICAL PLAY?

**WHY FIX WHAT ISN'T BROKEN?:** There has been NO evidence of voter fraud presented to justify this drastic shift. Our current system is SECURE and PROVEN. Why fix what's NOT BROKEN?

**WASTEFUL SPENDING:** The Council Majority has already SPENT nearly $500,000 just to place this measure on the ballot. Is it WORTH further uncertain costs?

For the sake of Huntington Beach's STABILITY and FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY, VOTE NO on Measure 1.

"The undersigned author(s) of the Direct Argument against Charter Amendment Measure 1 at the Special Primary Election for the City of Huntington Beach to be held on March 5, 2024, hereby states that such argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief."

Signed: Dan Kalmick, Councilmember  Date: 10/31/2023

Signed: Natalie Moser, Councilmember  Date: 11/1/2023

Signed: Rhonda Bolton, Councilmember  Date: 11/1/2023