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This is how many Hayward residents signed the petition to place this measure on the ballot. They understand that increasing voter participation is good for our community, and the money saved is a significant benefit. The “special interests” that concern our opponents are thousands of Hayward residents, community activists like Joyce Dobro and civil rights leaders including Dolores Huerta.

Hayward is one of the most ethnically diverse cities in the nation, but it has never elected a person of color as Mayor. Our opponents are making the same arguments against moving the election to November in Hayward that ultra-right wing conservatives are making to suppress voter turnout across America.

Hayward residents can't be bought

The opponents of this measure know this, because they've spent tens of thousands of dollars over the past few years on the very tactics they disparage. The real source of their opposition is their concern about the increased scrutiny they will face when 12,000 more people are voting.

Hayward residents follow local elections

When voters are engaged in politics, they follow campaigns at every level. The opponents of this measure doubt the ability of Hayward's voters to make an informed choice. Data shows that by moving the election, thousands more Hayward residents will have a say in our local government.

Every other city in Alameda County has moved their elections to the general election to ensure higher voter turnout, while saving costs for taxpayers. It is time for Hayward to do the same.

Please list the following signees according to the spelling of their name and title listed on this paper, regardless of what is written on signature sheets.



Hayward Area Democratic Club
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