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| SUBJECT | COUNTY COUNSEL IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS- MORONGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL SAFETY, RENOVATION AND CONSTRUCTION MEASURE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 2024 |
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This Measure was placed on the ballot by a resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the Morongo Unified School District (District). A "yes" vote by at least fifty-five percent of the voters voting on this Measure will authorize the District to issue bonds to benefit the District in the amount of \$88,300,000. A "no" vote means that the District will not be authorized to issue and sell the \$88,300,000 in bonds set forth in the Measure.

The District's Resolution No. 24-19 was adopted pursuant to California Education Code sections 5304, 5322, 15100 et seq., and 15266, and paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and subdivision (b) of Section 18 of Article XVI of the California Constitution. The bond proceeds may only be used for specific school facilities projects listed under the "Bond Project List." The Bond Project List in the full text of the Measure contains the specific projects the District proposes to finance with proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this ballot Measure and such proceeds may only be used for those specific projects. These projects include: upgrades for technology, safety, and security; upgrades related to infrastructure and classroom buildings, restrooms fixtures, common areas and support facilities; modernization of existing structures and facilities; and other improvements.

The District will conduct financial and performance audits annually to ensure that the bond proceeds are spent only on the school facility projects listed in the Measure and will appoint an independent citizens' oversight committee, as required by Education Code section 15278 et seq., which may review audits, inspect school facilities, review deferred maintenance proposals, and review efforts to maximize bond revenues, in order to ensure bond revenues are used for proper purposes and that no funds are used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenses.

Information regarding the estimated tax rate to repay these bonds is found in the "Tax Information Statement" prepared by the District, attached as Exhibit B to the full text of the Measure. The projected tax rate is based on projections and estimates from official sources and are not binding upon the District.

The bonded debt will be a general obligation of the District and will be financed by taxes levied annually on taxable property located within the District.

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