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Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure ____

**"Measure Directing the Use of Ranked Choice Voting for City Council Member and
Mayoral Elections after January 1, 2028"**

Don't be misled by false claims and misinformation. Why would Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) be *used by 17 million voters* in cities across California and the US if it was so expensive to implement? RCV will give Irvine voters ***more choice, stronger local representation, and true majority rule.***

Vote YES on Measure ____ because:

- **Exaggerated Cost Claims:** Implementation costs are minimal — no other city adopting Ranked Choice Voting has spent that much money.
- **Strict Cost Limits:** Measure [] includes a **hard spending limit of 0.23% of the city budget, fully protecting taxpayers.** RCV will **only** be used if the cost is less than 0.23% of the budget...*It's that simple.*
- **Sensible Timeline:** Implementation is scheduled after January 1, 2028, giving election officials *ample time* to certify equipment and conduct thorough voter education.
- **Majority Should Rule:** In Irvine, unpopular candidates can win with just a small fraction of the vote. RCV solves this problem. **With RCV, candidates need to earn over 50% popular support to win.**
- **Instantaneous Results:** RCV will not cause additional delays; once ballots are collected, the voting equipment *counts in an eyeblink.*
- **Simple as 1-2-3:** Just rank your favorite candidates in order of preference. If your top choice is eliminated, your vote automatically counts for your next choice, making sure **your vote is never wasted.**

Ranked Choice Voting will support a stronger, more representative local government and put power back in the hands of Irvine voters, where it belongs.

VOTE YES on Measure ____.

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The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the Rebuttal to the Argument Against Ballot Measure ____ named "Measure Directing the Use of Ranked Choice Voting for City Council Member and Mayoral Elections after January 1, 2028" at the General Municipal Election for the City of Irvine to be held on November 3, 2026, hereby state that such rebuttal argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Signed

Kathleen Treseder
Councilmember

Date:

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