# ANALYSIS AND ARGUMENT CONCERNING SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT REVENUE LIMIT INCREASE ELECTION

Called by County Superintendent of Schools of Santa Clara County upon Order of the Governing Board of Alum Rock Union School District TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 1976

> Polls Will Be Open From 7:00 A. M. to 8:00 P. M. Your Polling Place is Designated on the Enclosed Notice

## COUNTY COUNSEL'S ANALYSIS OF MEASURE A

The State of California has established a system of property tax revenue control and property tax rate limits for school districts. Revenue control is achieved through the concept of a "revenue limit per unit of average daily attendance."

The "revenue limit," computed by statutory formula, in general indicates the revenue per student available to the district from the State of California and the levy of local property taxes. To the extent that attendance within the district increases or decreases, the total revenue available to the district correspondingly increases or decreases.

Tax rates are also limited by the "revenue limit" concept. To the extent that the assessed valuation of taxable property within the district increases or decreases, the general purpose property tax rate conversely decreases or increases so that the revenue per student available from the levy of local property taxes will not exceed the "revenue

A "yes" vote is a vote to authorize an increase for a five year period commencing with the year 1976-77 in the revenue limit per unit of average daily attendance by \$130.00. It is estimated that the approval of this proposition will result in an increase in the maximum general purpose tax rate for 1976-77 from \$2.369 to \$3.831 for each \$100.00 of assessed valuation. Any increase in revenue shall be used for such lawful district expenditures as may be required.

A "no" vote is a vote not to authorize the increase in the revenue limit by the levy of local property taxes.

The increase sought by this proposition would be in addition to any increased apportionment of the State of California.

> WILLIAM M. SIEGEL, County Counsel By Robert T. Owens, Deputy

### ARGUMENT SUBMITTED FOR BALLOT PROPOSITION A

## ARGUMENT FOR MEASURE A:

Alum Rock Union Elementary School District is a low wealth school district. Alum Rock receives less money per student for the operation of its basic programs than any other elementary school district in Santa Clara County.

The District's basic income ranks in the bottom ten percent of all elementary school districts in the State.

Since 1973 over \$1,000,000 of services have been eliminated to maintain a balanced budget. This year 1975-76, the district was forced to cut \$565,000 additional program services. An additional \$400,000 reduction in services will be required to balance next year's budget. These reductions will critically affect student services at the school level. The elimination or reduction in services include:

health services

instrumental music services

counseling services

psychological services

library services

The District staff received a 1.1% cost of living salary increase this year and the projected level of income provides no cost of living salary increase next year.

A yes vote will re-instate some of the critical services and help maintain the district's basic educational programs, including some cost of living increase. Until the State Legislature complies with the Serrano-Priest mandate, equal funding opportunities will not be a reality for the Alum Rock Union Elementary School District.

GEORGE D. NELSON, Parent

ED HOSHINO, President Board of Trustees Alum Rock Union Elementary School District

I, Ed Hoshino, do hereby declare under penalty of perjury that I am one of the signers of the foregoing document and that said document is true of my own knowledge except as to matters which are therein stated on information or belief and that as to those matters I believe it to be true. Executed by me at San Jose, California, this 1st day of April, 1976.

Ed Hoshino

### NO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE A WAS SUBMITTED