



# CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS

John Arntz, Director

## Ballot Argument Control Sheet A

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Control Sheet A must be submitted for every ballot argument, with required signatures and author information. If your argument has more than one author, you must also submit Control Sheet B with required signatures and information for all additional authors.

For an argument submitted on behalf of an organization, the "Individual" section must also be completed by a principal officer of the organization who must be a registered San Francisco voter.

If an argument states that an individual or organization other than the author supports or the ballot measure, or agrees with or endorses the argument, a completed and signed Form is required.

Facilitate typesetting, and reduce the possibility of transcription error by sending an electronic copy of your ballot argument text within 24 hours after submission to the Department at [publications@sfgov.org](mailto:publications@sfgov.org).

## — Rebuttal to Proponent Argument N —

### Section 1: Argument Information

Proposition N

Proponent Argument  Rebuttal to Proponent Argument  Paid Argument in Favor

Opponent Argument  Rebuttal to Opponent Argument  Paid Argument Against

### Section 2: Author Information

#### Declaration Related to Proponent and Opponent Arguments

I attest under the penalty of perjury that I am an Author of the Proponent Argument for Proposition      being submitted and that I am not a Non-supporter of this measure. A Non-supporter is defined as a person who, with respect to a measure:

- is a treasurer, officer, or member of a committee that has made or plans to make expenditures in opposition to the measure;
- Has received or been promised any compensation or thing of value from such a committee to perform consulting services for that committee; or
- Has authorized their name or likeness to appear on campaign literature or in advertising that advocates for the defeat of the measure.

I attest under the penalty of perjury that I am an Author of the Opponent Argument for Proposition N being submitted and that I am not a Supporter of this measure. A Supporter is defined as a person who with respect to a measure:

- Is a treasurer, officer, or member of a committee that has made or plans to make expenditures in support of the measure;
- Has received or been promised any compensation or thing of value from such a committee to perform consulting services for that committee; or
- Has authorized their name or likeness to appear on campaign literature or in advertising that advocates for the adoption of the measure.

Complete the following to indicate whether the Author is an individual or an organization:

Individual (or principal officer of Organization)

Full Name (Print) **LARRY S. MARSO**

Title (If Applicable) **Esq.**

San Francisco Address **[REDACTED]**

Signature **[REDACTED]**

Organization (Entity)  (If selected, complete both the Individual Author Section and the Organization Section)

Name of Organization (Print)

Who should be listed as an Author for your Organization?

Only the Organization  Both the Officer and the Organization

\* Check if the title or identifying information is for identification purposes only,  if you are signing as an individual and not of behalf of an organization.

Signature **[REDACTED]**

Email

### Section 3: Submitter Information

The submitter is the person who delivers the argument and supporting materials to the Department. If there is a question or issue with a submission, the Department will contact the submitter.

Full Name (Print) **LARRY S. MARSO**

Phone **[REDACTED]**

Mailing Address **[REDACTED]**

Signature **[REDACTED]**

**Section 4: Information for Paid Arguments**

Paid arguments must include information about the true source of funds for the publication of the argument. It is also required to indicate whether the true source of funds is a recipient committee. This information will be printed below the argument and the author information in the Voter Information Pamphlet.

The true source of funds for the printing fee of this argument:

Is the true source of funds a recipient committee, as defined by CA Gov. Code §82013?

Yes

No

If the true source(s) of funds is a recipient committee, list the three largest contributors below:

1.

2.

3.

**Section 5: Argument Text**

The text of your argument will be printed exactly as submitted. Ensure that your argument meets the legal word limit. You may request that specific argument text be printed in bold, italic, or bold italic type. Type your argument with the desired formatting, or underline the argument text to be formatted and in the left column, mark "B" for bold, "I" for italics, or "BI" for bold italics. Other special formatting is not permitted. **Include author information in argument text.**

Format  
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Keep Text Within the Vertical Lines

# of words per line

Proposition N takes an indirect and unnecessary path to compensate our first responders. Proponents want you to believe it will "cancel debt", but let's be clear: **San Francisco can't do that. The City can only use taxpayer funds to pay private debt.**

A troubling precedent, Proposition N opens the door to demands from across the San Francisco civil service, and for relief from mortgage debt.

Proposition N fails to address the root causes of student loan debt: rising education costs and **inadequate compensation**. *This measure offers a temporary fix without offering long-term financial stability for our first responders.*

Proposition N could skew recruitment toward candidates with higher student debt, favoring those from expensive private institutions over public colleges and universities, inadvertently resulting in a **less diverse and inclusive workforce.**

It also encourages early first responder retirements once their loans are forgiven, exacerbating staffing shortages in a crisis.

Supporting first responders is vital, but Proposition N is not the right approach. **Vote NO on Proposition N and advocate instead for direct salary increases for these cherished heroes.**

Larry Marso, Esq.

If handwritten information or a revision is unclear, Department staff will interpret the handwritten information to the best of their abilities; this interpretation is final.

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	<p>While supporting our first responders is commendable, <b>Proposition N is flawed and could lead to unintended consequences.</b></p> <p>Proposition N sets a troubling precedent by using taxpayer money to pay off personal debts. This could open the door to similar demands from across the San Francisco civil service. <b>City resources are strained, and diverting funds to personal debts may come at the expense of critical services like public safety, housing, and education.</b></p> <p>Proposition N fails to address the underlying issues that contribute to student loan debt among first responders, such as rising education costs and inadequate compensation. Proposition N offers a temporary fix that may not provide long-term financial stability.</p> <p><b>Proposition N could encourage early retirements, as first responders may be more inclined to leave once their loans are forgiven.</b> This could lead to staffing shortages among our firefighters, paramedics and police officers, particularly experienced personnel most needed in emergencies.</p> <p>Supporting our first responders is vital, but Proposition N is not the best way to do it.</p> <p>Larry Marso</p> <p>Mr. Marso is a technology executive, M&amp;A advisor and attorney. A staunch advocate for fiscal responsibility, he authored a ballot measure to regulate San Francisco navigation/linkage centers, has fought corruption and fraud in our political parties and nonprofits, and as a member and former executive of the local Republican Party committee, has offered principled opposition to John Dennis and the "progressive Republican" Briones Society.</p> <p>Stop the Big Fraud on San Francisco voters! visit: <a href="https://bigfraud.com">https://bigfraud.com</a></p>	
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## Supporters / Opponents to be listed on Ballot Label (Must be submitted with Control Sheet A)

All ballot labels concerning measures shall end with a list of Supporters and Opponents taken from the authors of the Official Proponent and Official Opponent arguments regarding the measure. (CAEC §9170)

1. The list of Supporters / Opponents shall not exceed 125 characters in length. The Department will not publish beyond the 125th character.
2. An associate, nonprofit organization, business, or individual shall not be listed unless they have also completed a Control Sheet for the corresponding Ballot Argument.
3. A Supporter / Opponent shall not be listed if the Supporter / Opponent is a political party or is representing a political party.
4. If this form is not submitted, the Department will print "None submitted" for the corresponding Official Ballot Argument.

Facilitate typesetting, and reduce the possibility of transcription error by sending an electronic copy of the list of supporters or opponents within 24 hours after submission to the Department at [publications@sfgov.org](mailto:publications@sfgov.org)

## Section 1: Argument Information

Proposition N      Official Proponent Argument       Official Opponent Argument

## Section 2: Information for Supporters and Opponents

A supporter or opponent shall not be listed unless it is one of the following:

- i. An association, nonprofit organization, or business that was not originally created as a committee described in Section 82013 of the Government Code and that has been in existence for at least four years.
- ii. A current or former elected official, who may be listed with the official's title (e.g., "State Senator Mary Smith," "Assembly Member Carlos Garcia," or "former Eureka City Council Member Amy Lee"). These titles may be shortened (e.g. "Senator" or "Sen." for "State Senator" or "Asm." for "Assembly Member").
- iii. An individual who is not a current or former elected official may be listed only with the individual's first and last name and an honorific (e.g., "Dr.," "M.D.," "Ph.D.," or "Esquire"), with no other title or designation, unless it is a title representing an association, nonprofit organization, or business that meets the requirements

## Section 3: List of Individuals, Associations, Nonprofit Organizations, and / or Businesses

Individuals, Associations, Nonprofit Organizations, and / or Businesses (not to exceed 125 characters in length, including punctuation, spaces between supporters/opponents may be omitted. Each supporter / opponent shall be separated by a semicolon):

Harry Marso, Esq

## Section 4: Submitter Information (Same as Control Sheet A)

The submitter is the person who delivers the argument and supporting materials to the Department. If there is a question or issue with a submission, the Department will contact the submitter.

Full Name (Print): Harry Marso

Phone: [REDACTED]

Mailing Address: [REDACTED]

Signature [REDACTED]

