

Branch Library Bonds

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PROPOSITION A

BRANCH LIBRARY FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT BONDS, 2000. Shall the City incur \$105,865,000 of bonded indebtedness for the acquisition, renovation, and construction of branch libraries and other library facilities, other than the Main Library, and all other works, property and structures necessary or convenient for the foregoing purposes?

YES
NO



Digest

by Ballot Simplification Committee

THE WAY IT IS NOW: The City's public library system is made up of the Main Library, 26 branch libraries, and other library facilities. The branch library buildings are up to 86 years old. Many of the buildings do not meet current building code, earthquake safety, or disability access standards. Four of the branch libraries are in buildings rented by the City.

THE PROPOSAL: Proposition A would authorize the City to borrow \$105,865,000 by issuing general obligation bonds to acquire, renovate, or construct branch libraries and additional library facilities. The money would not be used

for the Main Library.

Proposition A would require an increase in the property tax to pay for the bonds. A two-thirds majority vote is required for passage of Proposition A.

A "YES" VOTE MEANS: If you vote yes, you want the City to issue \$105,865,000 in general obligation bonds to acquire, renovate, or construct branch libraries.

A "NO" VOTE MEANS: If you vote no, you do not want the City to issue bonds for these purposes.

Controller's Statement on "A"

City Controller Edward Harrington has issued the following statement on the fiscal impact of Proposition A:

Should the proposed bond be authorized and issued, in my opinion, the costs would be:

Bond Redemption	\$105,865,000
Bond Interest	84,810,315
Total Debt Service	\$190,675,315

Based on a single bond sale and level redemption schedules, the average annual debt requirements for twenty (20) years would be approximately \$9,533,766, which is equivalent to one and thirty-four hundredths cents (0.0134) per \$100 of assessed valuation in the current tax rate. The increase in annual tax for the owner of a home with a net assessed value of \$300,000 would amount to approximately \$39.18 per year if all bonds were sold at the same time. It should be noted, however, that the City typically does not issue all authorized bonds at one time. If these bonds were issued over several years, the actual effect on the tax rate would be less than the maximum amount shown above.

The City Charter imposes a limit on the amount of general obligation bonds the City can have outstanding at any given time. That limit is 3% of the assessed value of property in the City—or about \$2.1 billion. As of July 1, 2000, there were \$916 million in general obligation bonds outstanding, which is equal to 1.3% of the assessed value of property. If all of the City's authorized bonds were issued, the total debt burden would be 2.6% of the assessed value of property. If voters approve the Library bond on this ballot, the total authorized debt ratio would increase by 0.15% to 2.75% — still within the 3% legal debt limit. Since many projects are planned over a number of years, it is extremely unlikely that the City would issue all the authorized debt at one time. For a more detailed discussion, please refer to "An Overview of San Francisco's Debt" contained within this Voter Information Pamphlet.

How Supervisors Voted on "A"

On July 17, 2000 the Board of Supervisors voted 10 to 0 to place Proposition A on the ballot.

The Supervisors voted as follows:

Yes: Supervisors Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Teng, and Yaki.

Absent: Supervisor Yee.

THIS MEASURE REQUIRES 66 2/3% AFFIRMATIVE VOTES TO PASS.

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PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION A

Proposition A fulfills the dream of having the best possible library system—neighborhood libraries that are *safe, accessible to all, with modern technology and programs*—branches where our children can grown and learn and dream.

San Francisco has a treasure trove in every neighborhood library, a place for reading, learning, knowledge, and wonder. However, extensive studies by both city and independent engineers have determined that most of our branch libraries are unsafe and vulnerable to collapse in a major earthquake. **Proposition A will make all branch libraries earthquake safe.**

Our neighborhood residents rely on our branches and deserve better. **Our branch libraries need to be fully accessible to people with disabilities.** We need branches that can accommodate up-to-date computer technology for all in order to **bridge the Digital Divide.**

It was with great pride that we opened the magnificently restored Mission Branch library in 1999, an historic Carnegie

building. This year we opened the beautiful new Ocean View Branch Library. But this is not enough. All of our neighborhoods need safe, accessible, modern libraries.

Rebuild our branch libraries. Vote YES ON A.

- Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr
- Supervisor Tom Ammiano, Board President
- Supervisor Alicia Becerril
- Supervisor Sue Bierman
- Supervisor Amos Brown
- Supervisor Leslie Katz
- Supervisor Mark Leno
- Supervisor Gavin Newsom
- Supervisor Mabel Teng
- Supervisor Michael Yaki
- Supervisor Leland Yee

REBUTTAL TO PROPONENT'S ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION A

RECENT NEWSPAPER HEADLINES ABOUT SAN FRANCISCO'S LIBRARY:

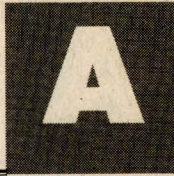
- "FAULTY DESIGN CONTINUES TO PLAGUE MAIN LIBRARY"
- "SPACE AT S.F.'S NEW LIBRARY IS SCARCE, ITS CHIEF ADMITTED"
- "ROOM FOR BOOKS 'LESS THAN WE NEED"
- "S.F. LIBRARY TOSSING THOUSANDS OF BOOKS" [200,000+]
- "LIBRARY: 'SERIOUS OPERATIONAL PROBLEMS"
- "NEW MAIN ISN'T STACKING UP"
- "LIBRARY'S COSTS MOUNT"
- "HIGH COST OF NEW MAIN HITS LIBRARY BUDGET"
- "LIBRARY SELLS OFF WARES FOR PEANUTS"
- "THE NEW MAIN'S PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP COULD JEOPARDIZE EQUAL ACCESS"
- "\$28 MILLION FIX"
- "BOOK - HUNT TOUGH AT NEW S.F. LIBRARY"
- "62% COULDN'T FIND TITLES THEY WANTED"
- "LIBRARY UNDER SCRUTINY"

As the above headlines from the *Examiner*, *Chronicle* and *Independent* indicate, San Francisco's mismanaged Library System has many problems.

VOTE AGAINST LIBRARY BONDS:

- Writes SAVE OUR LIBRARIES' James Chaffee:
 - "The present betrayal of the ... cultural role of our public library is a disgrace...
 - The management ... has been allowed to meander down a road of irresponsibility and incompetence...
 - There have been two recent funding measures for the Library: Prop A in 1988 and Prop E in 1994. In the face of widespread exposure in the press of the failure of those efforts and the misuse of that money, the Board of Supervisors has never held a hearing...
 - In 2000, the Library budget is now \$48.8 million, an increase over 1995 of 47%. Yet the library hours were increased by zero..."
- Warns SAVE OUR LIBRARIES' Peter Warfield:
 - "Don't let them do to the branches what they did to Main..."

Dr. Terence Faulkner, J.D.
Past County Chairman
San Francisco Republican Party



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\$105,865,000 IN INTEREST - PAYING BONDS IS A WASTEFUL WAY TO FUND ROUTINE LIBRARY REPAIR AND RENOVATION COSTS:

The routine expenses of local government – such as the upkeep and reconstruction of libraries – should be paid for out of current San Francisco tax revenues. These are not unexpected economic losses – but known future governmental costs for which sinking funds should have already been established. This is what businesses do!

Hand- to-mouth methods of paying for the normal costs of running a major city are the warning signs of poor planning and political leadership that needs to be replaced.

The interest on these \$105,865,000 of Proposition A general obligation bonds may well cost San Francisco tax payers an extra \$70,000,000 to \$90,000,000 in wasted interest charges – money that should properly have been spent on upgrading our often closed libraries.

Admittedly, issuing unnecessary bonds is popular in some special - interest circles: Banks, transfer agents, bond lawyers, and securities brokers will all make a lot of money on these economically unwise Proposition A general obligation library bonds.

There are many people holding office in the San Francisco City Government who are more than willing to engage in destructive spending practices and to accept special personal favors from local stock brokers (read the newspapers). Vote NO on Proposition A!

Golden Gate Taxpayers Association

Dr. Terence Faulkner, J.D.
State Senate Nominee (3rd Dist.)

REBUTTAL TO OPPONENT'S ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION A

Proposition A Will Retrofit, Restore, and Modernize Our Branch Libraries

Proposition A is an investment in the future of our City's neighborhoods. San Francisco's 26 branch libraries serve the diverse needs of our unique neighborhoods. Four million people visit our libraries each year.

Proposition A will retrofit our branch libraries to make them *earthquake safe*, help each branch meet the *requirements of modern technology*, and provide *full accessibility for the disabled* and seniors while preserving their historic character. They will be designed to meet the changing needs of our neighborhoods.

Proposition A will retrofit, restore, and modernize 23 of our 26 branch libraries (Ocean View, Mission, and Chinatown have already been rebuilt) and build a **new Mission Bay branch**. Proposition A will rebuild these branch libraries: **Anza, Bayview, Bernal Heights, Eureka Valley, Excelsior, Glen Park, Golden Gate, Ingelside, Marina, Merced, Mission, Noe Valley, North Beach, Ortega, Portal, and Western Addition.**

Each library and its surrounding neighborhood will be better off because of it. Our rebuilt branch libraries will be the heart of

each neighborhood: a safe place for children, families, and seniors to go.

Save and rebuild our branch libraries, **Vote YES ON A.**

- Mayor Willie L. Brown, Jr.
- Supervisor Tom Ammiano, Board President
- Supervisor Alicia Becerril
- Supervisor Sue Bierman
- Supervisor Amos Brown
- Supervisor Leslie Katz
- Supervisor Mark Leno
- Supervisor Gavin Newsom
- Supervisor Mabel Teng
- Supervisor Michael Yaki
- Supervisor Leland Yee

PAID ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION A

Proposition A will bring San Francisco's branch library system into the 21st century. Half of our 24 branch library buildings were constructed over 50 years ago. 15 have received dangerously high seismic hazard ratings. This bond measure will upgrade facilities and meet seismic safety standards. It will rewire libraries for faster and easier internet access and it will provide additional space for children's programs. It will also provide full access for people with disabilities. Our neighborhood libraries are a valuable resource especially for children and senior citizens.

The \$105.8 million bond will provide for construction of four new libraries to replace current rented facilities and a new branch library in Mission Bay. It includes a system wide support center and improvements to Brooks Hall and creation of a City Archive. This cost includes renovation and construction, site acquisition, relocation costs and financing. Funds for these renovations will also be sought through State Proposition 14 which provided \$350 million bond for library construction that was approved by the voters in March 2000. Help save our neighborhood branch libraries. Vote YES on Proposition A.

Mike DeNunzio
Nonprofit Projects Consultant
Supervisory Candidate, District Three

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The three largest contributors to the true source recipient committee are: 1. Mike DeNunzio 2. Annette DeNunzio 3. Paul May.

Our branch library buildings are eighty-six years old!
The **League of Women Voters of San Francisco** supports a free public library system that meets the informational, educational and recreational needs of all city residents.

Proposition A will make our libraries accessible, allow us to expand programs for children, allow needed retrofitting for earthquake safety, and help us to bridge the digital divide by rewiring our libraries.

The **League of Women Voters of San Francisco** urges you to vote **YES** on **Proposition A** and ensure all San Franciscans can enjoy our libraries.

Holli P. Thier, J.D. *Martha Benioff*
President President

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San Franciscans deserve better neighborhood libraries. Proposition A will modernize the Western Addition and Park branches and improve library service, earthquake safety and disabled access throughout the City. Vote Yes on A!

Agar Jaicks
District 5 Supervisorial Candidate

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San Francisco's branch libraries have long been ignored. Proposition A will repair aging buildings, improve service, provide earthquake safety, access for the disabled, and new buildings in neglected neighborhoods.
Vote Yes on A!

San Francisco Tomorrow

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Prop A is for our neighborhoods. It assures safe, modern branch libraries throughout the city for our kids, seniors and everyone in between. Our branch libraries are precious community resource centers. Make sure they're in good shape! Yes on A!

Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods

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Vote Yes on A.
Neighborhood libraries:
- form a **nucleus for strong neighborhoods**
- help **bridge the digital divide** by providing the only available online access for many San Francisco residents
- **support the entire city.**

"Upgrading neighborhood libraries is an appropriate use of citywide improvement bonds. Vote yes on A," says G. Rhea Serpan, president & CEO.

A. Lee Blitch
Chair, Board of Directors
San Francisco Chamber of Commerce

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Librarians Support Rebuilding Our Library System

As librarians who once worked in the San Francisco Public Library system, we see first hand the tremendous value of each of our branch libraries to its own community. We understand how many lives are enriched by these valuable resources for our children and our neighborhoods.

However, we also are able to witness first hand the effects of outdated buildings on the use and safety of the library branches. A number of the branches are not in full compliance with basic Americans with Disabilities Act provisions. This limits both staff and the public in their ability to successfully use their neighborhood libraries. Additionally, we are deeply concerned that so many of the branches are at risk in the event of an earthquake. It is essential that these branches be made safe, for the sake of children, their families, and all of our library users.

We hope that San Francisco continues its tremendous tradition of providing the best branch library system possible by passing Proposition A.

Deborah Cornue
Anne Kincaid
Gilbert W. McNamee
Catherine Roberts
Inez Shorcohen
Albert L. Smith
Bill Stanton
Elizabeth H. Storey

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Law Enforcement Support Proposition A

As law enforcement officials for the City and County of San Francisco, we strongly endorse Proposition A. It is critical that our **youth have after school alternatives** that enhance their lives. Libraries are a safe haven from crime and a refuge from drugs.

We believe a strong library system helps to prevent crime by giving our youth a place to go and a place to learn. Last year alone, more than 2 million youth visited San Francisco's neighborhood branch libraries.

Help make San Francisco *safer by supporting the branch libraries*. Vote Yes on Proposition A.

Terence Hallinan, District Attorney
Michael Hennessey, Sheriff of San Francisco
Jeff Brown, Public Defender

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San Francisco residents have an opportunity this November to invest in something that will produce benefits for decades to come: the city's branch library system. Libraries play an important role in our society, providing children, seniors and others with free access to information and technology. By making our branch libraries safer and more modern, we are investing in our communities; something we know is sure to bring high returns in the future.

Already considered one of San Francisco's greatest assets, the 26 branch libraries are in need of seismic upgrades and renovations. Many of these branches are more than 50 years old; some have gone without major upgrades since World War I, and many of the buildings do not provide access to persons with disabilities. **Any prudent money manager will tell you that it pays to protect your assets.**

Vote Yes on Measure A.

Susan Leal, City Treasurer

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Senator Dianne Feinstein Agrees; Yes on A

I have devoted much of my life to public service and know well the tremendous work of San Francisco's Public Library System. Our public libraries are a critical tool in fighting ignorance and illiteracy by providing free access to books, materials, children's programs, and job training programs.

Proposition A will allow the Library to seismically retrofit, upgrade and expand our branch libraries. These funds will make it possible to repair unstable roofs and walls; install wheelchair ramps and elevators for better access for all; expand children's programs; and provide better access to computers and the Internet to help bridge the Digital Divide.

By investing in branch libraries we are also investing in our children and our future. I urge you to vote yes on A.

U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein

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Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi Supports Measure A

As a former San Francisco Library Commissioner, I take great pride in our City's commitment to its 26 branch libraries. I am concerned, however, about the current condition of the branches. Many of our *branch library buildings are seismically unsafe* and subject to partial or total collapse during a large earthquake or other seismic activity. We cannot continue to risk the lives of the millions of people who use the branch libraries each year.

Additionally, many of our branches are not in **full compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act** and are therefore not fully accessible to all. Nine branches are currently **not accessible for either one or both of their floors** and many do not have accessible restrooms or other public amenities. This is completely unacceptable for a city that prides itself for inclusiveness and opportunity.

I urge you to vote YES on Proposition A and support a safe and accessible branch library system.

Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi

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Support Proposition A for the Children

Children visit the San Francisco Public Library system more than 2 million times each year. The Library is a safe place to gather after school, to do homework, check out books, magazines, videos, cds and visit with friends. *Children can access the Internet to help them grow and learn.*

Proposition A will allow us to expand our children's programs in our branch libraries throughout the City. San Franciscans can invest in our children's future by guaranteeing them safe and accessible library buildings in their neighborhoods and by providing up to date equipment and modern technology. **Our children deserve no less. Vote Yes on Proposition A.**

Margaret Brodtkin, Coleman Advocates for Youth

Brother Kelly Cullen

Brian Cheu, LYRIC

Kristina Moore Yaki

Jeanie Kortum, A Home Away from Homelessness

Gaylon Logan, Jr., Infusion One

Careth Reid, Whitney Young Child Development Center

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We Rebuilt Ocean View; Proposition A Will Rebuild All Branches

Our community knows what it is like to have an inadequate branch in its neighborhood. For years, we in the Ocean View neighborhood were left with a dilapidated branch that did not serve our community's needs. After years of hard work within our community we were able to convince the City to build a new branch built in our community. The grand opening of the branch in June marked the first time a new branch has been built in the City in 30 years.

We could not be more pleased with the branch. It has revitalized our neighborhood. It has taken a run-down building on the corner of Randolph and Ramsell and turned it into a shining example of what a community can do. Our kids love the large children's reading room. The community loves the space it has provided for our youth and the public. And it just looks terrific.

We urge you to vote YES on A so that every neighborhood in the City can have and appreciate a fully accessible, safe, and modern technological library branch.

Regina Blosser

Mary C. Harris

Alvin D. Harris

Edna M. James

Will H. Reno

Dion Roberts

Darcus Thomas

Daniel J. Weaver

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Vote YES on Proposition A

A lifelong user of San Francisco's public libraries, I want to make sure these city treasures are preserved for generations to come. Please join me in voting YES on A to improve our branch libraries.

Assemblymember Kevin Shelley

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Educators for Rebuilding Our Branch Libraries

As educators, we are committed to providing quality education to all the children of San Francisco. **The City's library system has always been a cornerstone of quality education.** Children rely on the resources of the library for their recreational and summer reading, and to help support their homework needs.

Now our City's library buildings need to be upgraded. Many of them are seismically unsafe and have limited access and services for the disabled. We also need to bring in the latest technology into our branch libraries to help bridge the Digital Divide.

Providing safe, accessible, and modern branch libraries for our children allows them to grow and learn in the best environment possible. Additionally, Proposition A will provide essential monies to provide additional, expanded space for children's and other programs in the branch libraries. We simply cannot deny our kids the chance to learn and to obtain the skills they will need for a successful future. For the sake of education in San Francisco—for the sake of our children—vote YES on Proposition A.

SF Board of Education:

Mary Hernandez, President

Eddie Chin

Frank Chong

Dr. Dan Kelly

Dr. Juanita Owens

Jill Wynns

Community College Board

Anita Grier, President

Natalie Berg

Robert Burton

Jim Mayo

Rodel Rodis

Robert Varni

Lawrence Wong

Dr. Philip Day, Chancellor, City College of San Francisco

Robert Gabriner, Dean

Dr. Carlota del Portillo, Dean

Dr. Julius Krevans

Patricia Krevans

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Seismic & Emergency Safety Experts Agree, Yes on A

As engineers (and Architects) familiar with seismic resistant design, we fully understand the threat that an unsafe building creates during an earthquake. Every branch in the San Francisco Public Library system has been examined by City structural engineers. Their findings indicate that most have dangerously high seismic hazard ratings (SHR). **Hundreds of our city's residents utilize these facilities every day at an unnecessary risk.** Proposition A will seismically upgrade San Francisco's branch libraries.

On a scale from 1 to 4, with 4 being the worst rating possible, 15 of San Francisco's 26 neighborhood branch libraries received a rating of 3 or 4. A SHR of 3 means that there could be major structural damage during a strong earthquake. A SHR of 4 means that there could be partial to total collapse of the building itself during such an occurrence. **We can solve this problem by voting YES on A to make all branch libraries earthquake safe.**

Frankie Lee, SOHA Engineers

Daniel Shapiro, Structural Engineers

Patrick Vennari

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Libraries provide a place for writers and readers alike to expand their minds and release their imaginations — all for free. Neighborhood branch libraries make it easier for parents to instill a lifelong love of reading in young children by putting the resources close to the places they live. Books open entire worlds of possibility and promise; they inspire, teach, and expand horizons. San Francisco's library culture dates back to the 1800's and stands as a measure of its commitment to have an educated and enlightened citizenry. Measures that support libraries and thereby support reading and literacy deserve our support. It is for these reasons we wholeheartedly support Proposition A.

Remy Charlip

Lawrence Ferlinghetti

Ruthanne Lum McCunn

Jade Snow Wong

Robert Allen

Janice Mirikitani

Nancy Peters

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GLBT Leaders Support Rebuilding Our Branch Libraries

The San Francisco Public Library system provides an essential component to the education and vitality of our city. **The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender (GLBT) community is well served by the San Francisco Public Library system.** A shining example of this service is the James C. Hormel Gay & Lesbian Center and Collection. Beyond the center, however, it is important to note the services provided by our local neighborhood branches. The Eureka Valley branch in the Castro, officially dedicated as the Harvey Milk Memorial branch, provides extensive GLBT material and services. The overall integration of GLBT resources and materials throughout the entire library branch system informs the larger citizenry as a whole **and empowers the GLBT community.**

GLBT community leaders encourage you to vote YES on Proposition A and support our branch libraries.

Alice B. Toklas Lesbian & Gay Democratic Club

Harvey Milk LGBT Democratic Club

Brian Cheu, LYRIC

Jim Rivaldo

Jeffrey Lewy

Lance Henderson

Dean Goodwin

Esther Lee

Charles Forester

Roberto Esteves

Chris Dittenhafer

Dr. Juanita Owens

Anna Damiani

Matthew Rothschild

Carole Cullum

Frederick Hobson

Connie O'Connor

Jim Haas

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Asian-American Community Supports Our Branch Libraries

San Francisco is a city known for its diversity and tolerance for cultural differences. No where is this better represented than in our 26 branch libraries, which strive to provide materials and services that mirror our individual neighborhoods. The City's branches have a large collection of books, newspapers, videos and other materials in Chinese, Korean, Filipino, Japanese, and other languages. Additionally events, films, and programs highlighting Asian culture and history are provided throughout the branches. This dedication to multiculturalism has benefited our community greatly.

We now have an opportunity to help the branches that have served our communities by voting Yes on Proposition A. Proposition A will expand the space available for children's and other programs; provide better disabled access at every branch; seismically retrofit the branches; and bridge the Digital Divide by rewiring the branches so that faster and easier Internet access will be available to the public.

We urge you to support our City, our neighborhoods, and our branch libraries by voting YES on A.

Brian Cheu

Rebecca Delgado

Tom Hsieh

Clifford T. Lee

Henry Louie

Eric Mar

Sandy Ouye Mori

Alex Wong

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As current Library Commissioners we have had the distinct pleasure of overseeing the **successful on-budget renovation of the Mission branch and the construction of the city newest branch Ocean View**. We would like to see other neighborhoods in San Francisco reap the benefits of a newly restored and improved branch and that is why we are supporting Proposition A. Many of our branches are quite old and in serious need of seismic repairs and modifications to accommodate adult and children programming as well as access for the disabled. Proposition A will provide the Library with the funds to make these necessary improvements possible.

Additionally, Proposition A will allow the branches to upgrade electrical and data systems for high speed Internet access, which will enable the Library to play a key role in bridging the Digital Divide. Let's invest in our City's future. Let's support our neighborhoods. Vote YES on Proposition A.

Charles A. Higuera, Acting President

Helen Marter Bautista

Steve Coulter

Fran A. Streets

Lonnie K. Chin

Carol Steiman

Darian W. Swig

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Disability Community Leaders Urge You to Vote Yes on A

Proposition A, if passed, will allow the Library to make branch libraries more accessible by bringing branches in line with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Many of the branch libraries are more than 50 years old and some have not been upgraded since World War I. Some of the branches are simply inaccessible to many in the community. Some cannot be entered except through a flight of stairs, making it impossible for staff and public who are disabled to enter the buildings adequately.

This bond will allow the library to make much needed upgrades by adding wheelchair ramps, elevators, accessible bathrooms and other amenities to the branches. These changes will allow many more San Franciscans to have the opportunity to use and enjoy their neighborhood branches. The disabled community deserves adequate access to neighborhood branch libraries. Vote Yes on A.

Professor Paul Longmore

August Longo, FDR Democratic Club

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As former Library Commissioners we are deeply concerned about the need for safe and accessible branch libraries. Most of the branches need seismic strengthening to meet current standards of earthquake safety. Many are not fully compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Proposition A will rectify this problem.

Proposition A will also provide funds to expand our Children's Programs throughout the branches, including the expansion of actual space in some of the buildings for children's reading and learning areas. Additionally, **Proposition A provides state of the art equipment and tools to bridge the Digital Divide that hinders the progress of many of our lower-income children.**

Let's invest in our City's future. Let's support our kids. Vote YES on Proposition A.

Edward Callanan, Jr.

Donna Miller Casey

Mary Louise Stong

Dale Carlson

Ernest Llorente

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Neighborhood Activists Support Proposition A

San Francisco has long been known for its distinct neighborhoods. *Maintaining the character of our neighborhoods depends on our vigilance to protect and preserve* the people, places and things that bind us to our history as a community. Maintaining our neighborhood branch libraries is an important part of this process.

The 26 separate branch libraries in San Francisco each cater to nearby patrons, providing books and services to suit their tastes. Our local branches also often serve as both places for learning and as archives for important documents and photographs about our neighborhoods. Sadly, these repositories of knowledge and historic information are in need of restoration and renovation. San Francisco voters have an incredible opportunity to support their neighborhood and their local branch library by voting for Proposition A.

We urge you to support our City, our neighborhoods, and our branch libraries by voting YES on A.

Bernice Biggs

Sue Hestor

Margaret O'Driscoll

Brother Kelly Cullen

Carol Kocivar

Ruth Passen

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Democratic Party Leaders Support Proposition A

Libraries are the most democratic of all institutions in the City. The San Francisco Democratic Party supports investing in our neighborhood branch libraries to prevent deterioration, and to make them safe and *accessible to all*. We urge you to vote YES on Proposition A so that we can keep the City's neighborhood branch libraries open for all San Franciscans to utilize and enjoy.

Democrats have long supported the **public library system and we believe that it is an institution to be cherished and protected**. Proposition A will do just that. It will provide essential funding in order to retrofit the library buildings to current earthquake safety standards. It will provide full access to all of our community members, including our seniors and disabled communities, in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. It will also help us to bridge the Digital Divide by bringing modern equipment and computers into our branch libraries and neighborhoods, so that our children can grow and learn together in an equitable fashion.

Please join the Democratic Party in voting YES on Proposition A.

Senate President John Burton

Assembly Majority Leader Kevin Shelley

Alex Wong, Chair of the San Francisco Democratic Party

Democratic Central Committee Members:

Supervisor Sue Bierman

Wade Crowfoot

Rebecca Delgado

Dean Goodwin

Tom Hsieh

Joseph Julian

Dan Kalb

Supervisor Leslie Katz

Meagan Levitan

Henry Louie

Eric Mar

Jane Morrison

Connie O'Connor

Dr. Juanita Owens

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Seniors Support Proposition A

We support Proposition A to save San Francisco's most important treasures—our branch libraries. Branch libraries are valuable to all San Franciscans yet they serve a special need in the lives of many seniors who use them every day. *Convenient and well-located, our branch libraries are community centers as well as safe havens for learning.* They provide us with the newspapers and magazines in multiple languages that we cannot afford to buy, as well as the books we all love.

Unfortunately, some of the branches are not fully accessible to all. A flight of stairs is the only entrance at some. We need to make each branch library fully accessible to San Francisco's growing population of seniors, including access to all floors and accessible restrooms.

Support our branch libraries by making them safer and more accessible for all. Vote Yes on A.

Ann Eliezer

Paul O'Leary

Robert Pender, Park Merced Resident's Organization

Richard Wood

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Vote for Branch Libraries

Proposition A is a bond measure to fix the city's branch libraries. It will pay for both physical upgrades and new branches in under-served neighborhoods. **SPUR has studied the measure and believes it is a responsible, well-planned proposal.** Bond measures are an appropriate way to pay for capital improvements such as this. And most importantly, the branch library system is an essential piece of urban life.

San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association (SPUR)

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African American Leaders Are In Support of Proposition A

While San Francisco prides itself on being sensitive to the needs of all of its citizens, we must **recognize that many members of the African-American community could become casualties of the Digital Divide.** Even in a city as "wired" as San Francisco, many people do not own home computers or have access to the Internet. Some do not have access to reference materials and other important information necessary to find and maintain employment. Bridging this economic and educational divide that exists in our communities is something the branch library system does everyday by providing people with free access to computers, the Internet and educational materials and services. By supporting our libraries, we can combat this very serious problem.

In addition to the traditional services offered by our branch libraries, community-based libraries, such as the Bayview Branch, provide literacy programs teaching adults to read, story telling programs that create a safe and fun atmosphere for our young children, and computer training for the unemployed and under-employed to acquire marketable skills. **Our libraries are the lifeline to the world and the hope of the future.**

We urge you to vote YES on A.

Supervisor Amos Brown

Linda Brooks-Burton, Bayview Branch Librarian

Veronica Hunnicutt, Dean, South East Campus

Miriam Pavis

Linda Richardson

Toye Moses

Johnnie Carter

Gaylon Logan Jr., Infusion One

Tyrone Pruitt, San Francisco Black Firefighters Association

Dwayne C. Robinson, Bayview Barber College

Careth Reid, Whitney Young Child Development Center

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Neighborhood Library Users Support Measure A

San Francisco's 26 branch libraries are essential to every community in San Francisco. In 1994, San Franciscans voted to keep every one of them open. Now, we need to ensure that they are **safe in the event of a major earthquake, accessible to the disabled,** and modernized to provide the programs and services that we need, including up to date technology to **bridge the Digital Divide.**

Every neighborhood in San Francisco relies on its branch library as a focal point for children, seniors and all library users. Branches are central to the cultural life of each neighborhood. Libraries provide a wide range of activities from poetry readings to computer classes for children, adults, and seniors. Save the branches and help ensure a bright future for our **children and our neighborhoods.**

Marilyn Sachs, Morris Sachs, Anza Branch

Linda Brooks-Burton, Bayview/Waden Branch

Elaine Elinson, Renato Ciria-Cruz, James Haas, Peter Wiley, Bernal Heights Branch

Stephanie Stokes, Chinatown Branch

Joseph Rosenthal, David Axel, Margaret M. O'Driscoll, Eureka

Valley/Harvey Milk Memorial Branch

Teresa Ticas, Roberto Alvarado, Miguel Martinez Jr., Irma

Alvarado Martinez, Excelsior Branch

Susan Tauber, Harold Tauber, Zoanne Nordstrom (Glen Park

Association), Nora Dowley, Eileen Goldman, Glen Park Branch

Deborah Doyle, Golden Gate Branch

Royce Vaughn, Al Lewis, Ingleside Branch

Maria Bacigalupo, Marina Branch

Ann Anderson, William Anderson, Merced Branch

Chester Roaman, Mission Branch

Andrew Grimstad, Noe Valley Branch

Suzanne Cauthen, Dorothy Danielson, North Beach Branch

Dion Roberts, Ocean View Branch

Barbara St. Marie, Ortega Branch

Rachel Ellis, Julia Dowd, Park Branch

Karen Bevelander, Parkside Branch

Christine Ortiz, Portola Branch

Marcia Popper, Portrero Branch

Barbara Martinelli, Presidio Branch

Barbara Berman, Richmond Branch

Kenneth Groh, Sunset Branch

Vincent Chao, Visitacion Valley Branch

Jane Risk, J. David Grausz, West Portal Branch

Michael Brassington, Betty Brassington, Ronald Neyes, Western Addition

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As a former San Francisco mayor, I urge the voters of San Francisco to support our branch libraries and vote Yes on A. This library bond is good, solid public policy and I universally support it as essential to San Francisco's future.

I agree that libraries are an essential part of the San Francisco. We're not a world-class city without them. **They help educate our children and give them a safe place to meet and socialize,** as well as engage in lifelong learning. **Libraries are a key resource that businesses use when assessing whether to locate or stay here.**

Our libraries must be accessible and safe for each and every San Franciscan. These bond monies can make that a reality—libraries will be earthquake retrofitted and remodeled to provide full access for people with physical disabilities.

It is a small price to pay for something so important. So please join me in voting Yes on Proposition A.

Mayor George Christopher

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The business community believes that a strong library system is essential for a vibrant, growing economy. Neighborhood libraries are an important element in attracting and keeping our families and economic base here in the City. A city with unsafe and out of date libraries is simply not an acceptable place to live.

We have seen how the rebuilding of the **Ocean View and Mission branch libraries helped to rejuvenate neighborhoods,** encouraging economic stabilization and introducing growth opportunities for local residents. Proposition A will help stimulate revitalization in every branch library's neighborhood. It is an investment for the next generation. The branch libraries are the backbone of our economic future. Vote YES on Proposition A.

Roberta Achtenberg, Chamber of Commerce

*Chris Dittenhafer, Council of Neighborhood Merchants**

Warren Hellman

Joe O'Donoghue

*Melvin Washington, Bayview Merchants Association**

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Labor Says: Vote Yes on A!

It is in the interest of San Francisco's working families to support Proposition A. Proposition A will provide much needed improvements to every branch library in the city. San Francisco's neighborhood libraries serve an important and vital role in our City.

Nearly all of the staff of the San Francisco Public Library are union employees. Branch librarians currently work in overcrowded areas with little privacy or space to carry out their duties. The bond will allow the Library to expand space for the staff, as well as children's and other programs. Currently many neighborhood libraries are not accessible to the disabled community. Proposition A will bring all branches in line with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Branches will also be rewired to provide better access to technology and the Internet.

Join organized labor in supporting Prop A.

Gunnar Lundberg, Sailors' Union of the Pacific*

Larry Mazzola, Plumbers Local #38*

Brian McWilliams, ILWU Local 34*

Josie Mooney, San Francisco Labor Council*

Jim Salinas, Carpenters Union Local #2236*

Sarah M. Shaker, Instituto Laboral de la Raza*

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We want children to learn to read. Who wouldn't? Public libraries are among a free society's greatest assets. Learning is a gift for every child. However, the cost of which *should be born by all*, through sales tax revenues or income taxes. Shifting the burden just to hapless homeowners and property owners, as these general obligation bonds do, is unfair, unlawful and just plain wrong. San Francisco is about equity and fairness to all -

Vote No on A.

Adam Sparks

GOP Candidate for Congress

San Francisco, CA

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VOTE NO ON PROPOSITION A - NO ACCOUNTABILITY

Glitteringly packaged, the superficially attractive Proposition A requires historical analysis, then commonsensical rejection. In 1988 voters were induced to approve a \$109,500,000 indebtedness to build a new main library and refurbish the branches. Voters were falsely assured millions of dollars would be allocated. Once again, however City Hall lied. The bonds were issued alright, but the money for branch libraries was diverted to other uses. Now, City Hall wants to borrow another \$105,865,000 which, with interest, will cost us virtually \$200,000,000 to repay. Again, there's no ensuring of proper expenditure and oversight. There's no effort to use some of the City's huge surplus. There's no way to prevent waste or cost overruns. Until some of the surplus is allocated to branch libraries, and not for 564 non-civil service "mayoral assistants" or more aides for supervisors - (yet another deceit) or doubling of new commissioners' stipends, and waste of taxpayer money is prevented, a moratorium on more taxpayer indebtedness must be imposed. **VOTE NO ON A until our district supervisors are elected to ensure equalized, cost effective attention to neighborhood libraries!**

Good Government Alliance

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The same guys that built the New Main
-- Too small for the books -- what a pain!
Now want to build branches
To let them is madness
Vote No on Prop. A -- it's insane.

Peter Warfield

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This bloated bond measure is a blank check to make unclearly defined alterations to 19 branches and to construct new buildings. It was rushed through City Hall and is being campaigned for by the same self-appointed "library entrepreneurs" who induced voters to support the 1988 bond for \$109.5 million -- not yet paid off! -- that brought us the New Main fiasco.

Approximately \$50 million of the bond is proposed for expansion or new facilities even though not even preliminary designs have been presented.

This measure will result in increased operating costs for the new and expanded facilities, and thus result in further reductions of Prop E funds spent on books and open hours. Staffing of the branches is already short. Also, the branches being renovated will be closed for long periods, resulting in a further reduction in open hours.

This \$105,865,000 bond will waste \$84,810,315 of our taxes on interest payments to investors.

This bond serves the privatizing interests of the "library entrepreneurs", not the democratic interests of the taxpayers or of library patrons.

Remember the Main -- No blank check!

Gray Panthers of S.F.

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TEXT OF PROPOSED BOND ORDINANCE PROPOSITION A

CALLING AND PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2000, FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO A PROPOSITION TO INCUR THE FOLLOWING BONDED DEBT OF THE CITY AND COUNTY: ONE HUNDRED FIVE MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$105,865,000) FOR THE ACQUISITION, RENOVATION, AND CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS TO BRANCH LIBRARIES AND OTHER LIBRARY FACILITIES, OTHER THAN THE MAIN LIBRARY; FINDING THAT THE ESTIMATED COSTS OF SUCH PROPOSED PROJECT IS AND WILL BE TOO GREAT TO BE PAID OUT OF THE ORDINARY ANNUAL INCOME AND REVENUE OF THE CITY AND COUNTY AND WILL REQUIRE EXPENDITURES GREATER THAN THE AMOUNT ALLOWED THEREFOR BY THE ANNUAL TAX LEVY; RECITING THE ESTIMATED COST OF SUCH PROPOSED PROJECT; WAIVING CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF SECTIONS 2.31 AND 2.34 OF THE SAN FRANCISCO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATING TO THE TIMING FOR THE INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF PUBLIC INTEREST AND NECESSITY RESOLUTIONS; FIXING THE DATE OF ELECTION AND THE MANNER OF HOLDING SUCH ELECTION AND THE PROCEDURE FOR VOTING FOR OR AGAINST THE PROPOSITION; FIXING THE MAXIMUM RATE OF INTEREST ON SUCH BONDS AND PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF TAXES TO PAY BOTH PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST THEREOF; PRESCRIBING NOTICE TO BE GIVEN OF SUCH ELECTION; CONSOLIDATING THE SPECIAL ELECTION WITH THE PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION; ESTABLISHING THE ELECTION PRECINCTS, VOTING PLACES AND OFFICERS FOR THE ELECTION; AND WAIVING THE WORD LIMITATION ON BALLOT

PROPOSITIONS IMPOSED BY SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS CODE SECTION 510.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. A special election is hereby called and ordered to be held in the City and County of San Francisco (the "City") on Tuesday, the 7th day of November, 2000, for the purpose of submitting to the electors of the City a proposition to incur bonded indebtedness of the City

for the project hereinafter described in the amount and for the purposes stated:

"\$105,865,000, to pay for the acquisition, renovation, and construction of branch libraries and other library facilities, other than the Main Library, and all other works, property and structures necessary or convenient for the foregoing purposes."

The special election hereby called and ordered shall be referred to herein as the "Bond Special Election."

Section 2. The estimated cost of the project described in Section 1 hereof was fixed by the Board of Supervisors of the City (the "Board of Supervisors") by the following resolution and in the amount specified below:

Resolution No. 579-00, \$105,865,000.

Such resolution was passed by two-thirds or more of the Board of Supervisors and approved by the Mayor of the City (the "Mayor"). In such resolution it was recited and found that the sum of money specified is too great to be paid out of the ordinary annual income and revenue of the City in addition to the other annual expenses thereof or other funds derived from taxes levied for those purposes and will require expenditures greater than the amount allowed therefor by the annual tax levy.

The method and manner of payment of the estimated costs described herein are by the issuance of bonds of the City not exceeding the principal amount specified.

Such estimate of costs as set forth in such resolution is hereby adopted and determined to be the estimated cost of such improvements and financing.

Section 3. The Board of Supervisors hereby waives any and all of the requirements set forth in Sections 2.31 and 2.34 of the San Francisco Administrative Code relating to the timely introduction and adoption of public interest and necessity resolutions that are or may become applicable to actions of the Board of Supervisors necessary for the submission of the proposition described herein to the voters of the City.

Section 4. The Bond Special Election shall be held and conducted and the votes thereafter received and canvassed, and the returns thereof made and the results thereof ascertained, determined and declared as herein provided and in all particulars not herein recited such election shall be held according to the laws of the State of California and the Charter of the City (the "Charter") providing for and governing elections in the City and County, and the polls for such election shall be and remain open during the time required by such laws.

Section 5. The Bond Special Election is hereby consolidated with the Presidential General Election scheduled to be held in the

City on Tuesday, November 7, 2000. The voting precincts, polling places and officers of election for the November 7, 2000 Presidential General Election are hereby adopted, established, designated and named, respectively, as the voting precincts, polling places and officers of election for the Bond Special Election hereby called, and reference is hereby made to the notice of election setting forth the voting precincts, polling places and officers of election for the November 7, 2000 Presidential General Election by the Director of Elections to be published in the official newspaper of the City on the date required under the laws of the State of California.

Section 6. The ballots to be used at the Bond Special Election shall be the ballots to be used at the November 7, 2000 Presidential General Election. The word limit for ballot propositions imposed by San Francisco Municipal Elections Code Section 510 is hereby waived. On the ballots to be used at the Bond Special Election, in addition to any other matter required by law to be printed thereon, shall appear the following as a separate proposition:

"BRANCH LIBRARY FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT BONDS, 2000. Shall the City incur \$105,865,000 of bonded indebtedness for the acquisition, renovation, and construction of branch libraries and other library facilities, other than the Main Library, and all other works, property and structures necessary or convenient for the foregoing purposes?"

Each voter to vote in favor of the issuance of the foregoing bond proposition shall punch the ballot card in the hole after the word "YES" to the right of the proposition, and to vote against the proposition shall punch the ballot card in the hole after the word "NO" to the right of the proposition. If and to the extent that a numerical or other system is used at such special election, each voter to vote in favor of the proposition shall mark the ballot card or equivalent device after the number or in the location corresponding to a "YES" vote for the proposition and to vote against the proposition shall mark the ballot card or equivalent device after the number or in the location corresponding to a "NO" vote for the proposition.

Section 7. If at the Bond Special Election it shall appear that two-thirds of all the voters voting on the proposition voted in favor of and authorized the incurring of bonded indebtedness for the purposes set forth in such proposition, then such proposition shall have been accepted by the electors, and bonds authorized thereby shall be issued upon the order of the Board of Supervisors. Such bonds shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed twelve percent (12%) per annum.

The votes cast for and against the proposition shall be counted separately and when two-

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thirds of the qualified electors, voting on the proposition, vote in favor thereof, the proposition shall be deemed adopted.

Section 8. For the purpose of paying the principal and interest on the bonds, the Board of Supervisors shall, at the time of fixing the general tax levy and in the manner for such general tax levy provided, levy and collect annually each year until such bonds are paid, or until there is a sum in the Treasury of said City set apart for that purpose to meet all sums coming due for the principal and interest on the bonds, a tax sufficient to pay the annual interest on such bonds as the same becomes due and also such part of the principal thereof as shall become due before the proceeds of a tax levied at the time for making the next general tax levy can be made available for the payment of such principal.

Section 9. This ordinance shall be published once a day for at least seven (7) days in the official newspaper of the City and such publication shall constitute notice of the Bond Special Election and no other notice of the Bond Special Election hereby called need be given.

Section 10. The appropriate officers, employees, representatives and agents of the City are hereby authorized and directed to do everything necessary or desirable to accomplish the calling and holding of the Bond Special Election, and to otherwise carry out the provisions of this ordinance.

DO YOU KNOW WHERE TO GO TO VOTE?

**With district elections, you need to vote
at your assigned polling place (or by mail)
or your vote may not count.**

**Your polling place is listed on the
back cover of this pamphlet**

**or you can check online at:
*www.sfgov.org/election***

or call 415-554-4375.

San Francisco Department of Elections

