

PETITION FOR RECALL

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE CUPERTINO UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD, Pursuant to the California Constitution and California election laws, we the undersigned registered and qualified electors of the Cupertino Union School District of Santa Clara County, California, respectfully state that we seek the recall and removal of Sylvia Leong, holding the office of Governing Board Member, in Cupertino Union School District, in Santa Clara County, California. We demand an election of a successor to that office.

The following Notice of Intention to Circulate Recall Petition to the Honorable Sylvia Leong was served on October 6, 2021:

Pursuant to Section 11020 of the California Elections Code, the undersigned, registered qualified voters of Cupertino Union School District, in Santa Clara County, in the State of California, hereby give notice that we are the proponents of a recall petition and that we intend to seek your recall and removal from the office of Board of Trustees, in Cupertino Union School District, Santa Clara County, California, and to demand election of a successor in that office. The grounds for the proposal recall are as follows: Sylvia was the President of CLIPCO, the PTA for CLIP (Chinese Language Immersion Program, one of the CUSD's Alternative programs). Sylvia is closing our neighborhood schools but expanding CLIP. CLIP is not only getting its own campus but even more classes as well. Sylvia used her influence to cut a backroom deal with CUSD to prioritize CLIP. She has lost credibility and has sowed massive division among the community. We need honesty and transparency, not politicians. Sylvia's previous decisions caused CUSD's steepest enrollment decline in history. She has failed twice to pass a parcel tax. She has failed as a Board Member. Sylvia knows that CUSD is becoming Basic Aid and will be rich. She knows closing schools means more kids have to leave. She knows that running schools is not expensive. She knows the costs are teachers and they are retained. Yet, with all of that she knows, she will close your schools for her selfish gain. We do not need hidden agendas. We do not need division. We do not need politicians. We need honesty. Vote YES to save neighborhood schools. Vote YES to recall Sylvia! The names of 10 proponents of the recall are as follows: Clark Epperson, Louis Liu, Roger Peng, Charles Adams, Michael Espstein, James Chew, Vinod Mamidi, Aegean Lee, Alexander Dziekanowski, Ruth Giantomenico.

The answer of the officer sought to be recalled is as follows:

Please do **NOT** sign this petition, **REJECT** this recall measure. This special election will cost Cupertino Union School District approximately **\$1,000,000**. This money would be far better spent on students. As a longtime resident whose children attended CUSD schools, it is my honor to serve as a member of the school board. For the past 13 years, I've dedicated my time, energy and heart to serving CUSD's children. I do this because of my firm commitment to education and to making a positive impact on all children. In recent years, our school district has faced unprecedented challenges. CUSD is currently one of the lowest-funded districts in California. Declining enrollment has impacted all CA schools, including CUSD - we have lost 5,000 students since 2015 with 3,000 more projected. We need pragmatic fiscal solutions to meet the needs of our diverse student population. During my tenure, I've worked to keep our district financially solvent while maintaining educational excellence. As a board member, I am eager to engage in difficult conversations about enrollment, budget, and policy so that we can benefit ALL children. I remain focused on the work ahead - for our community, for our children, for a brighter future.

NOTICE TO PUBLIC: THIS PETITION MAY BE CIRCULATED BY A PAID SIGNATURE GATHERER OR A VOLUNTEER. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO ASK. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO SEE AN "OFFICIAL TOP FUNDERS" SHEET.

Each of the undersigned states for himself/herself that he or she is a registered and qualified elector of the Cupertino Union School District of Santa Clara County, California. Download Petition/Instructions at: recallcusbboard.org, Mail Petitions to Recall CUSD Board, PO Box 664, Cupertino, CA 95015

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DECLARATION OF PERSON CIRCULATING SECTION OF RECALL PETITION (MUST BE IN CIRCULATOR'S OWN HANDWRITING)

I, _____, solemnly swear (or affirm) all of the following: 1. That I am 18 years of age or older. 2. That my residence address, including street and number, is _____. (If no street or number exists, a designation of my residence adequate to readily ascertain its location is _____.) 3. That the signatures on this section of the petition form were obtained between _____ (Month and Day), 2021 and _____ (Month and Day), 2021; that I circulated the petition and I witnessed the signatures on this section of the petition form being written; and that, to the best of my information and belief, each signature is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be. 4. That I showed each signer a valid and unfalsified "Official Top Funders" sheet, as required by Elections Code section 107. I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on _____ (Date) at _____ (City or Community Where Signed), California.
Circulator's Signature _____ Date _____