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Subject: Canyon Lake POA Special Election

Canyon Lake, CA – The Canyon Lake Property Owners Association "Canyon Lake POA" Board approved moving forward with a special election to modernize and enhance the organization's governing documents by adapting to the needs of the community and industry standards, and to better stabilize the governing board.

Ballots for the special election will be mailed to all homeowners on September 27. The election will be on Monday, October 28. Members may cast their ballot by:

- Mail - Last day recommended to mail is Thursday, October 24
- In Person - Beginning September 30, there will be a ballot box available at the Member Services office during regular business hours for members to return their ballots. Members may also deliver completed ballots to the Lodge on election day, Monday, October 28, between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m.

Prime members of the Canyon Lake Property Owners Association will be voting on the following measures:

- **Measure One (1): Articles of Incorporation Amendment to Remove Proxy Voting**
Proxy voting is a form of voting whereby one may delegate their vote to another representative or group. This measure seeks to eliminate all language in the Articles of Incorporation that references the use of 'proxies' to be consistent with the 2016 Bylaw amendment, eliminating the use and practice of proxies in all of the Canyon Lake POA's Governing Documents. By approving this amendment, the Articles of Incorporation will be consistent with the Bylaw amendment, eliminating the use of proxy voting.
- **Measure Two (2): Bylaw Amendment to Remove Cumulative Voting**
Cumulative voting is a system under which if there are three open seats during a board election, one member may cast all three of their votes for one candidate. This can be hampered by both the ability for interested groups to collect proxies, and encourage cumulative voting to elect a candidate of their choice. This process, when coupled with the 2-year terms and annual elections has led to a new board every year that can radically change the course of the community every year based on the actions of a minority of members. This measure is proposed based on member feedback and industry standards that recommend the elimination of the outdated practice of cumulative voting.
- **Measure Three (3): Bylaw Amendment to Extend Future Board Director Terms to Four (4) Years**
Canyon Lake POA is an intricate large-scale master association with multi-year large-scale repair and modernization projects always in process. Efficient operations and implementation of projects are significantly hindered by annual changes in the board. This measure was placed on the ballot to help further align with modern practices, to improve efficiency and governance by avoiding the annual turn-over of the Board Directors, and to add stability in the Canyon Lake POA's governance.

- **Measure Four (4): CCR Amendments to Remove the Five-Foot Fence Height Restriction**

Over the years the community has requested 6-foot fences to improve privacy. In recent years, Canyon Lake POA Boards have agreed with this request and based on an informational survey, began routinely accepting requests for 6-foot fences on a case-by-case basis. After approving dozens of fences without complaint or protest, it is apparent that the community is in favor of this change. By approving this amendment, the acceptance of six-foot fences will be formalized in the CCRs.

- **Measure Five (5): CCR Amendments to Revise Roof Material**

The Architectural Control Committee (ACC) and staff are barred from approving certain modern roof material applications as a “Legal Nonconforming Use” due to the restrictions in the CCRs. Due to the changes in California Health and Safety Code, which have now placed specific restrictions on the roof material currently allowed in the CCRs, it is recommended that the CCRs be updated to allow different roof materials, including fire retardant materials that are in compliance with California Health and Safety Code as a legal nonconforming use. By approving this amendment, Canyon Lake will have the ability to comply with modern California Health and Safety Code requirements and approve modernized material.

Attachments: Special Election Fact Sheet

About Canyon Lake Property Owners Association

The Canyon Lake Property Owners Association (“Canyon Lake POA”), incorporated in 1968, as a California nonprofit corporation, is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the common areas within Canyon Lake. The purpose of the Canyon Lake POA is to promote the recreation, benefit, and enjoyment of the homeowners within the community. The Canyon Lake POA's mission is to support the Canyon Lake community with exceptional services and solutions, which make this a premier place in which to live and work. For more information about the Canyon Lake POA, visit www.canyonlakepoa.com or call 951.244.6841.

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