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FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF RETIREMENT

ALL-MAIL BALLOT ELECTION

Dear Member:

The Board of Retirement consists of nine members and two alternates. This election includes vacancies for a general member, the retired member and the alternate retired member.

The Board of Retirement manages the investments of the retirement fund, which is worth approximately \$2.7 billion. In addition, the Board administers the regular and disability benefits programs.

This is a very important position, and we urge you to take the time to learn about the candidate and to vote accordingly.

Sincerely,

Roberto L. Peña
Retirement Administrator

Notice is hereby given that an all-mail ballot election will be held on November 15, 2007 for one General member, one retired member, and one alternate retired member of the Fresno County Employees' Retirement Association.

Voted Ballots **MUST BE SIGNED** on the returned envelope and **RECEIVED** in the Elections office **BY 5:00 P.M. ON NOVEMBER 15, 2007** to be counted.

The votes will be canvassed in the Elections Office, 2221 Kern Street, commencing at 8:00 a.m. on November 16, 2007.

NOTE: CANDIDATE STATEMENTS ARE PRINTED EXACTLY AS SUBMITTED BY THE CANDIDATE.

NOTICE

BOARD OF RETIREMENT GENERAL, RETIRED AND ALTERNATE RETIRED MEMBER ELECTIONS

1. The TERM OF OFFICE is 3 years, commencing January 1, 2008 and terminating December 31, 2010.
2. Regular meetings are held on the FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAYS of each month at 8:30 a.m., Fresno County Employees' Retirement Association, Board Room, 1111 H Street, Fresno.
3. QUALIFICATIONS:
 - a) GENERAL MEMBER - Candidate must BE AN ACTIVE GENERAL MEMBER (not a Safety, Deferred, or Retired member) of the Fresno County Employees' Retirement Association with at least five years of membership and eligible to vote in the ensuing election.
 - b) RETIRED MEMBER - Candidate must BE A RETIRED OR DEFERRED MEMBER (not an Active Safety or General member) of the Fresno County Employees' Retirement Association with at least five years of membership and eligible to vote in the ensuing election.
 - c) ALTERNATE RETIRED MEMBER - Candidate must BE A RETIRED OR DEFERRED MEMBER (not an Active Safety or General member) of the Fresno County Employees' Retirement Association with at least five years of membership and eligible to vote in the ensuing election.
4. PROCEDURES:
 - a) Nomination – PETITION FOR NOMINATION can be obtained from the Fresno County Employees' Retirement Association, 1111 H Street, Fresno or the internet website at www.fcera.org.

The petition shall include nominee name, department or district, certification of willingness to serve, and signature of fifteen (15) Active General Members, if declaring for the General Member position or fifteen (15) Retired or Deferred Members, if declaring for the Retired or Alternate Retired Member positions. Please note that one individual may not sponsor more than one individual for each vacant position.

The nominee may submit a STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS AND PLATFORM not to exceed two hundred (200) words, which will be part of the ballot packet. The statement should be in an electronic format and can be e-mailed to bvanwyk@co.fresno.ca.us or submitted on a disk. The statement will be printed exactly as submitted, subject to the word limit and is due at the same time as the Nomination/Declaration of Candidacy.

- b) Thursday
September 6, 2007 – First day to file NOMINATION and STATEMENT.
- c) Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.
September 26, 2007 – Last day to file NOMINATION and STATEMENT.
- d) Thursday
October 25, 2007 – Ballot packet will be mailed to each eligible voter at his or her place of residence as on file with the Retirement Office.
- e) Thursday
November 15, 2007 – Date of election.

Ballots are to be returned to the Elections Department either by U.S. Postal Service, County messenger mail or in person by 5:00 p.m. Eligible members residing in foreign countries may contact the Fresno County Clerk/Registrar of Voters at (559) 488-3246 for alternate means of voting.

- f) Friday, 8:00 a.m.
November 16, 2007 - Election Manager shall count the ballots and certify the results.