## **Argument in Favor of Measure A**

Please vote YES on Measure A to establish a tax rate for cannabis businesses should they ever be permitted in Huntington Beach.

In 2016, a **majority** of Huntington Beach residents voted in support of Proposition 64 that legalized the use of recreational cannabis (marijuana) in California. However, commercial cannabis activities are currently prohibited in Huntington Beach.

YES, on Measure A does not approve or allow for cannabis businesses to open and operate in Huntington Beach.

YES, on Measure A establishes local control and ensures that if allowed, commercial cannabis businesses operating in Huntington Beach will pay their fair share of taxes. This special tax will provide Huntington Beach with additional revenue to pay for police and homeless/behavioral health services.

YES, on Measure A simply permits the City to collect a tax from cannabis businesses if allowed to operate in the community. By acting now, the City will have a tax in place if cannabis businesses are approved later or forced upon us by Sacramento.

YES, on Measure A ensures tax revenue generated from cannabis sales is specifically dedicated to 1) **police** services for public safety and 2) **homeless** prevention/intervention and behavioral health services.

Measure A is fiscally responsible, timely, and prudent. Make sure that commercial cannabis businesses pay their fair share! Please join us in voting YES on Measure A.

For more information, visit www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/cannabis

s/ Rhonda Bolton Huntington Beach City Councilmember

s/ Kim Carr Huntington Beach City Councilmember (Mayor 2021)

s/ Dan Kalmick Huntington Beach City Councilmember