#### **Argument Against Measure S**

# MASSIVE TAX INCREASE STRUGGLING RESIDENTS CAN'T AFFORD

Be careful! Your city politicians are trying to fool you and the voters into approving Measure S by putting a misleading ballot title on it.

Measure S is actually a massive tax hike to coverup the fiscal failures of city leaders.

#### We Can't Afford Another Tax Hike

Santee residents already have one of the highest cost-of-living burdens in the nation. Despite this, Measure S imposes an extra .5% in sales tax on purchases you make — for a total sales tax rate of 8.25%!

Studies show that sales taxes are regressive and hurt low-income families the most. If approved, Measure S could cost a typical Santee family hundreds more per year in sales tax.

#### Wasteful Spending with No Oversight

Politicians shamefully say Measure S will fund specific areas such as "firefighting" — but they use public safety wording only because they think it will entice you into supporting their costly tax hike.

The city's own fiscal forecast proves that a massive portion of your existing tax dollars have been diverted by city politicians to cover bloated and overly-generous pension payouts to city workers.

#### Don't Bail Out Politicians

Now that they have created a fiscal mess with their wasteful spending, the politicians want you to bail them out by duping you into raising taxes!

The solution? Vote NO and tell city politicians to reform their wasteful spending deals!

## Vote NO on Measure S

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