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[ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE T]

VOTE NO on MEASURE T.

Protect Aquatic Park and a thriving community from drastic, needless rezoning.

West Berkeley is home to diverse neighborhoods and an array of artisans and businesses providing 16,000 jobs—a **center of commerce and innovation** where things are invented and produced.

Measure T is **unnecessary for growth**. Recent zoning changes provide ample opportunity for development compatible with existing businesses and neighborhoods.

Measure T would confer extraordinary benefits on a handful of corporate developers, **encouraging land speculation** and higher rents that would force out many artisans, artists and businesses that contribute to Berkeley's economy.

Measure T would alter the zoning in West Berkeley on at least 109 acres (about **50 city blocks**). After 10 years **the number of eligible sites is indefinite**.

Measure T would allow **75-foot high multi-block office parks** and 6-story apartment buildings **next to modest single-family homes**.

Measure T would allow **huge buildings next to Aquatic Park**. The **City Council rejected protections for the park and its wildlife that were recommended by Citizens for East Shore Parks, the Audubon Society and the Sierra Club**.

Measure T **betrays Berkeley's commitment to environmental leadership**. The City's Environmental Impact Report showed that the allowable new development would worsen air pollution, block views of the Bay, shadow large parts of West Berkeley and **gridlock major intersections on Gilman, San Pablo, Ashby and University**.

Measure T provides **no guaranteed community benefits** to compensate for the damage to the local environment and quality of life.

Measure T was advanced without notifying the thousands of residents and business owners west of San Pablo Avenue, yet it was **overwhelmingly opposed by citizens** at numerous City Council meetings.

Join us in opposing this harmful measure.

Save Aquatic Park and West Berkeley's unique, vibrant neighborhoods and economy.

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