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Los Angeles County  
District Attorney's Office  
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Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear District Attorney Jackie Lacey,

I am a 30 year resident of Hermosa Beach. I have proof that in the last election, June 7, 2016, the Hermosa Beach City School District School Board President, the HBCSD Superintendent, the Hermosa Beach acting Mayor, and the Hermosa Beach City Manager colluded to defraud the voters out of \$59 million dollars.

Measure S was a \$59 million dollar facilities bond for the Hermosa Beach School District. Of the \$59 million at least \$33 million was to go toward demolishing and completely rebuilding an historic Hermosa Beach school. The trade-off for the City Council to support the district's plan to demolish and rebuild the school was so that the district would not pursue a lease on a former middle school building and athletic fields that the city coveted for their own.

The School Board president's husband was the chairman of the Yes on S campaign. The School Board president along with HBCSD Superintendent hired an "expert" using public funds to mislead the public as to the true facility options.

HBCSD and the City of Hermosa Beach held a joint meeting 6 days before the election. The entire School Board, district superintendent and the entire City Council and City Manager attended the meeting. The public was only allowed a three minute comment prior to the expert speaker's testimony. The public was not allowed to comment nor ask questions either during or after the expert's testimony. The meeting was televised and videotaped. A reporter from a local newspaper was invited to attend the meeting and prepare an article in that week's issue the next day.

We have proof that the district's expert, the HBCSD superintendent and City Manager purposely withheld pertinent information, mislead and overtly lied to the community as to the facts, true condition and possible costs of the facility options available to them.

Subsequently the \$59 million dollar bond, Measure S passed by 192 votes.

I request that the District Attorney's office thoroughly investigates this matter on behalf of the taxpayers of Hermosa Beach.

Sincerely,

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