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Please see that the Board of Supervisors read the following comments before they vote on Item 44 on Tuesday.

Ventura County a special place in California, far better than the state average. We are better at stopping urban sprawl, better at limiting the influence of big money in politics, better at enhancing the influence of the average citizens over special interests and better at protecting the most disadvantaged because we have reduced the influence of those most inclined to ignore them.

Repealing our current law, removing the \$750 contribution limit, reducing transparency and ending the expenditure limits will significantly increase the amount of money flowing into county supervisors' campaigns. It will give big rollers much more direct influence on Supervisors.

For 20 years we have significantly decreased the influence of big money in our elections for county supervisor. For over 20 years I have donated to SOAR because I believe that SOAR has assured that Ventura is still an agricultural county, and that SOAR has saved the agricultural areas from urban sprawl. Agriculture has supported the country and protecting SOAR will continue the financial support of this county.

Please Do Not support Item 44.

Thank you,

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