

**STATEMENT OF REASONS
FOR THE PROPOSED RECALL OF SHEILA BENECKE**

The grounds for the recall are as follows:

You have permitted a culture of corruption to infect our school district.

You permitted district personnel to use scarce district resources to create unlawful lists of your political "enemies" -- including children. You engaged in illegal closed session meetings where district business was conducted in secret. You and your staff repeatedly provided false information to the public regarding district finances. You failed to effectively control your staff-- even giving your former superintendent (now indicted for multiple felonies) a standing ovation and lucrative retirement package just hours after police investigators armed with search warrants raided his office.

You grossly mismanaged district finances.

You are recklessly spending \$52,000,000 on an administration building and over \$140,000,000 for a single high school next to a dump -- while our schools are in dire need of repairs and students are crammed into substandard portable classrooms with non-functioning restrooms. Your reckless deficit spending has created a self-inflicted, multi-million dollar budget crisis that has put our children at risk and resulted in massive program cutbacks -- overcrowding classrooms and severely diminishing the quality of education. You have arrogantly disregarded the public by repeatedly ignoring problems until they become crises.

You have broken the public's trust. www.cusdrecall.com

**ANSWER OF SHEILA BENECKE TO STATEMENT
OF REASONS FOR THE PROPOSED RECALL**

SHEILA BENECKE

As a parent, teacher, fiscal conservative, and community leader, I bring expertise to the school board:

- CSUF College of Education Advisory Board Member
- Marian Bergeson Award: Outstanding Orange County School Board Member
- President, California Association of Low Wealth Schools
- Association of California School Administrator's School Advocate Award
- PTA president of Orange County
- CUSD PTA Council president
- Educare Award
- Orange County Outstanding Contributions to Education
- California Legislative Hero in Education
- YMCA board member for over 20 years
- PTA Golden Oak and Honorary Service Awards

Here's CUSDs real record, not lies and half-truths:

- HIGH ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT -- Nationally-recognized reading, music, vocational, and college prep programs.
- Among California's HIGHEST TEST SCORES.
- County's HIGHEST ADVANCED PLACEMENT TEST SCORES
- 40 California DISTINGUISHED SCHOOLS.
- 11 NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS.
- Highly qualified teachers.
- 29 NEW SCHOOLS built since 1992.
- 22 schools upgraded and MODERNIZED since 1999.
- New administration building FREES UP over \$550,000 annually.
- Strong PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT.
- FINANCIAL INTEGRITY -- High marks from county overseers despite severe state cutbacks.
- AMONG THE LOWEST ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS of large California school districts.
- SAFE schools.

Don't be fooled by the HIDDEN AGENDA OF SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS squandering \$600,000 from your children's classrooms. Don't sign the petition.

Sheila Benecke

**CAPISTRANO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, SHORT TERM
TRUSTEE AREA 5**

NAME: KEN MADDOX

AGE: 44

OCCUPATION: Independent Local Businessman

We need reform at CUSD.

As a former member of the California State Legislature, I served on the State Assembly's Education Committee -- educating and protecting children is my top priority.

While in the legislature, I authored California's Amber Alert system, the "Safe Haven" bill to protect newborns, was co-author of legislation requiring class size reduction and led efforts to protect children from toxins on campus.

As a 17-year police officer, I proudly served as a DARE officer in nearby schools - I am committed to making our schools safe and drug free.

I have a Masters Degree in Management and was a Senior Fellow at the UCLA School of Public Policy and Social Research.

As a father of two children who have attended CUSD schools, I care deeply about our schools and community. I will ensure every child receives an excellent education in a safe, sanitary school.

I will ensure classroom dollars are no longer lost due to waste, fraud and abuse. As your advocate, I will support policies that promote:

- a strong public education;
- maximum academic achievement;
- collaboration between teachers, administrators and parents;
- adequate classroom supplies; and
- financial responsibility.

I will restore honesty, integrity and accountability to CUSD.
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**CAPISTRANO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, SHORT TERM
TRUSTEE AREA 5**

NAME: MAKAM SUBBARAO

OCCUPATION: Entrepreneur

With California in a budget shortfall, we need an independent innovative leader to serve the Capistrano Unified School District now more than ever.

My principal goal is to serve as your trustee while ensuring fiscal responsibility and transparency, and increasing the effectiveness of our children's education.

I understand the needs of the Capistrano School District and know what it takes for our students to excel. As residents of Laguna Niguel since 1989, my wife and I have raised two successful Capistrano School District graduates - an Information Technologist and a Physician.

With a PhD in the health sciences, and considerable experience both as an academic and an entrepreneur, I look forward to bringing a new perspective to the CUSD board. In addition, I was involved with a local program to train high school students in science, and have been president for my HOA as well as other local community groups for the past few years.

My decisions on the Capistrano Unified School District board will be made solely on the information, facts and constituent's input, and without any special interests.

I ask for your vote on June 24th to help improve the quality of education for our students. Visit www.makam4cusd.com