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**Lawsuit Filed Against Measure A Parcel Tax**

**Alameda, California — August 7, 2020** — A local community member has filed a lawsuit against AUSD, alleging that the Measure A parcel tax is illegal.

The measure, which will raise about \$10.5 million to attract and retain high-quality employees, was passed by 67.1 % of voters in the March 3 election of this year.

Under Measure A, both commercial and residential property owners will pay 26.5 cents per building square foot up to a cap of \$7999. The plaintiff alleges the cap makes Measure A illegal because the tax is not being applied uniformly. The plaintiff also challenges the provision that senior citizens and residents receiving Social Security Disability Insurance or Supplemental Security Income can only receive an exemption from Measure A if their primary residence is in Alameda.

AUSD intends to vigorously defend this measure.

The lawsuit was filed with Alameda County Superior Court. The case number is RG20061550.

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