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**Citizens for Vallejo urge school board
to choose next top vote getter to replace Porter**

VALLEJO, CA (November 24, 2014) – Citizens for Vallejo (CfV) urge the Vallejo School Board to accept the votes of the next highest vote getter for School Board to replace Richard Porter, the recently elected and withdrawn school board candidate.

“Upholding the results of the November election is the democratic thing to do,” said Dennis Albright, CfV Board Member. “The School Board should honor the election results.”

Councilwoman Katy Miessner and CfV Board Member added: “Swearing in the November election’s next highest vote getter is the only fiscally responsible and ethical course of action.”

The School Board has several options for appointing a new Board Trustee when it comes to replacing Porter. They could:

- Accept the votes of the next highest vote getter from the November 2014 School Board election;
- Hold a new election that would cost the school district upwards of \$200,000;
- Select and appoint a new School Board Trustee from the pool of existing November election candidates; or
- Select and appoint any Vallejo resident to become a School Board Trustee – regardless of the appointee’s experience and/or whether she or he was a candidate in the November 2014 election.

“At a time when the school district is working hard to rebuild trust and confidence with the community, it must respect the will of the voters and appoint the fourth highest vote getter. Any other action would undermine the Democratic process,” stated Karol Heppe, CfV Board President.

About CfV:

Citizens for Vallejo (CfV) is a Political Action Committee formed by Vallejo residents who want to ensure that candidates and incumbents demonstrate leadership qualities that advance the City of Vallejo.

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