

April 22, 2014

To:

- Mendocino County Board of Supervisors, CEO, Auditor-Controller, Treasurer-Tax Collector
- Mendocino County Employees Retirement Association – Retirement Directors
- Major Mendocino County Bargaining Units

From: *Concerned Citizens of Mendocino County (see attached list of names)*

Please read the attached *Questions about Mendocino County's Unfunded Pension Debt and Analysis of that Debt* produced by the "Reform our County Coalition – Mendocino". We ask you to confirm or disprove their analysis and conclusions, answer their questions, and - is it true that:

- new rules next year will force our County to report about \$200 million of past pension expenses that were never reported to us - and we have much more debt than assets?
- over \$500 million is expected to be paid to eliminate unfunded pension debt that isn't supposed to exist?
- State Controller data shows the County Pension Fund's investment record is among the worst for County Funds?
- we were told about \$35 million of retiree health benefits was paid with so-called Pension Fund "excess earnings" but the truth is every dime increased our County's debt?
- every County employee received pension increases and 1/3 were retroactive to when they were hired even though our County owed \$100 million in unfunded pension debt?
- the Retirement Board created most of this debt the People have to pay but it isn't accountable to us?
- employees and retirees have no obligation to help pay unfunded pension debt even though 2/3 of the Retirement Board is composed of employees and retirees?

Before we can solve big problems we first have to recognize we have them. Then we need to understand what they are. Before talking about solutions we need to know what's true and accurate. **Are the attached analysis and findings essentially correct? If they aren't, please relieve our deep concern by proving they're wrong.**

We know you are very busy – but **please let us know when you can provide us with these answers.** We hope you can do so by the end of June. Thank you for your time and attention.

I hereby authorize "Reform Our County Coalition" to add my name to the list of concerned citizens signing the attached Letter to Mendocino County officials and others.

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