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Superintendent

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Dear Members of the Los Alamitos Unified School District Community,

After a five-month process that included 11 draft maps prepared by professional demographers and 35 public meetings to solicit community input, the Los Alamitos Unified School District Board has adopted a final plan to divide the district into five trustee voting areas. The Board decided unanimously to recommend the Green 4 trustee areas map to the Orange County Committee on School District Organization, which, along with the State Board of Education, must approve the plan before it goes into effect for the November 2020 election.

The school board is moving to a trustee-area voting system because the California Voting Rights Act strongly discourages the current at-large system. Dividing the school district into trustee areas helps ensure that minority group voting rights in the community are protected and not abridged or diluted.

"My fellow Board members and I want to express our gratitude to the community," said Board President Meg Cutuli, "for the valuable input throughout the process that was influential in how we made our final decision."

Final approval of the trustee voting area map and election cycles by the county and state is expected by May. As proposed to county and state officials, voting areas 2, 4 and 5 would hold school board elections in November 2020, and areas 1 and 3 would vote in 2022.

Complete information about the process of moving to the new electoral system can be found at the District website https://www.losal.org/voting.

We thank you for supporting all we do for students and for staying engaged with this important process of determining District governance.

Sincerely,

Andrew Pulver, Ed.D.

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