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August 12 is filing deadline to run for the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District's Board of Directors

Los Altos, CA— Members of the public interested in running for one of four seats up for election on the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District's (Midpen) Board of Directors have until 5 p.m. on August 12 to file the required paperwork. Contested seats will be decided by local voters in the general election on Tuesday, November 8, 2022. Elections are scheduled to be held for Wards 1, 2, 5 and 6. Generally, the wards include the following areas:

Ward 1 - Cupertino, Lexington Hills, Los Gatos, Monte Sereno, Saratoga

Ward 2 - Cupertino, Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, Loyola, Mountain View, Palo Alto, Stanford

Ward 5 - East Palo Alto, Menlo Park, Mountain View, Palo Alto, Sunnyvale

Ward 6 - Atherton, La Honda, Ladera, Loma Mar, Menlo Park, North Fair Oaks, Pescadero, Portola Valley, Redwood City, West Menlo Park, Woodside

Midpen is a California special district governed by a seven-member publicly elected board of directors. Board members serve a four-year term and represent a geographic ward of approximately equal populations. The board holds its regular public meetings on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 7 p.m.

Eligible board candidates must be registered voters residing within the ward they seek to represent and are required to gather signatures from 50 registered voters in their ward on a nomination form provided by Midpen's clerk. Those interested can contact Midpen's clerk at 650-691-1200 or clerk@openspace.org to make an appointment to receive and review the required paperwork.

For more information and a ward map visit openspace.org/election-information.

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The Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District's mission is to acquire and preserve a regional greenbelt of open space land of regional significance in perpetuity, protect and restore the natural environment and provide opportunities for ecologically sensitive public enjoyment and education. On the San Mateo County coast, our mission also includes preserving agricultural land of regional significance and rural character and encouraging viable agricultural use of land resources. Midpen has successfully protected more than 65,000 acres of public open space land in the Santa Cruz Mountains region since 1972.

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