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"We support ballot Measure E to raise the City of Kingsburg's sales tax by 1%. This would add .01¢ to the price of an item that costs \$1.00. Kingsburg has been able to maintain minimum levels of public safety services by cutting expenses, however, the demand for improved public safety services has increased faster than Kingsburg's budget. During the recession, the City reduced both police and fire staffing. Despite new growth, property taxes alone do not cover the rising costs related to personnel and aging equipment replacement. Staffing remains below 2008 levels. The Fire Department's "newest" engine is 17 years old, and we often only have one person available to respond to fire calls due to staffing limitations. Measure E would add 7-10 public safety positions, including a School Resource Officer. Calls for service for both police and fire continue to rise. Measure E will also help fund needed equipment and technology improvements. Kingsburg residents want and deserve better.

Measure E will ensure that tax dollars raised in Kingsburg will be used by the city to deal with our local needs. Measure E will produce roughly \$940,000 annually. Necessities like groceries and prescription medications won't be taxed. Visitors to Kingsburg will pay their fair share, so residents won't shoulder the entire cost. Measure E will also ensure that revenues are spent wisely. Each year the City will be required to undergo an audit and funds will be placed in a segregated account. The City will also establish a citizens' advisory committee that will oversee the expenditures and make recommendations on how the funds should be spent. Help maintain Kingsburg's high property values, character, and quality of life! We ask you to vote YES on Measure E on June 5, 2018."

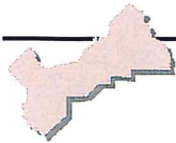
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of ballot measure E at the consolidated Statewide Election
JUNE 5, 2018
(Name and/or Letter) (Title of Election)

for the City of Kingsburg to be held on 6/5/2018 hereby state that such
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