There are no grounds to justify an expensive recall of the San Juan School District trustees, the majority of whom were just re-elected in November 2020. I was proud to be re-elected to my third term by the San Juan community and have faithfully sought to fairly represent students, staff, and families, not only during this horrible pandemic, but for over 30 years in the San Juan School District. I have read every email, listened for hours to public comment at Board meetings, read every survey, Superintendent communication, and California Department of Public Health and CDC guidance memo. The Board has worked hard to balance student learning with safety for all, while complying with the complex layers of local, state, and federal law. We modified students’ academic learning programs, followed science and recommendations from our national and state health officials, instituted distance learning, issued laptops and "hot spots" to students who needed help, and increased social/emotional services through district counselors and social workers. Students now are returning safely to schools but there is much more that we need to do. The last thing we need is an expensive and divisive recall election that distracts us from the hard work which lays ahead.

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