At the request of the Board of Education for the Albany Unified School District, the City Council has placed before the voters the question whether the Albany City Charter should be amended to remove term limits for Board of Education members, effective on January 1, 2023. A full copy of the Charter amendment text is printed in these ballot materials.

The Albany Unified School District is governed by a Board of Education consisting of five members elected by the voters. Board members normally are elected to four-year terms. Currently, the Charter provides that any person who has been elected to two successive terms as a member of the Board of Education is not eligible to serve again as a Board member until a period of two years has elapsed after the end of that person's second term. This measure would remove this limitation on the number of consecutive terms an individual could serve as a member of the Board of Education. A Board member could be elected to a new term after the effective date of this measure, even if that person had just completed two consecutive terms.

A “Yes” vote is a vote in favor of removing term limits for Board of Education Members. A “No” vote is a vote against removing those term limits. This measure will be approved if a majority of the votes cast on it are “Yes” votes.

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