

FOR MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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Occupation: City of Calabasas Planning Commission Chairman

We have a dream. From 2020-2024 and beyond, I'd like your votes to work together to manifest those dreams. We began Incorporation of Calabasas and the 101 Cities in 1978. As Founding Mayor and Councilmember (1991-2011), Calabasans honored me with five terms to build our local governance, culture of creativity and economic+fiscal success over 30 years.

I asked the question at our 25th Anniversary, 4/25/2016: "What if there were no City of Calabasas?" It took generations to get home rule — one to make a city and one to become successful. We're 30 years into that dream and "changed the world." We've pioneered and built commUNITY in Calabasas. "Home Rule" changed our lives and helped build a city that loves its lands, its trees, its vistas, its places and its people. We built strong ideals and finances, changed laws and planned an even better future.

If there were no City of Calabasas, would we have hundreds of acres of parks and open space? Would we have a Civic Center and Calabasas Library? Would we have recreation and senior centers? Would our roads be scenic, our trees protected, our skies darkened for the stars, our air protected from poisons? Would our leaders work for the best in education, public safety, business and industry, ecology and stewardship, and services for our people? Would we be known around the world for values and ideas we're glad to share?

I hope you're proud of all we've done together as citizens of the Santa Monica Mountains. The National Recreation Area, chartered in 1978, gave us impetus to incorporate cities of our Regional Council of Governments. I've been blessed to serve as a founder, 20-year Councilmember and 4-term Mayor of Calabasas; founder and 4-term President of our COG; President of LA County's League of 88-Cities; 16-year SCAG Regional Council Member; 32-year member of the Resource Conservation District, Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission, and other community building groups, because Calabasas voters persevered in asking the question "What if...?"

Where people need help after great storms, or world events and unprecedented global crises, we do what's needed for one another and the brighter future we dream for Calabasas.

Let's keep asking, what's next....?

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