LAURA COSTELLOE **AGE: 50**

Technical Education Advisor

As an Edison High School graduate, mother of two children who attended Huntington Beach City School District schools for 13 years, and longtime community advocate, I have dedicated my life to serving Huntington Beach students and families.

Our district is finally in a strong financial position under Basic Aid. We should protect that success by managing taxpayer dollars responsibly, maintaining transparency, preserving neighborhood schools, and safeguarding community assets for future generations. I believe there is no reason to sell district land or close neighborhood schools when sound financial stewardship can protect both.

My commitment is proven through years of service. I served ten years on a PTA Executive Board, including as PTA President, have attended every School Board meeting for the past eight years, and maintain a community information page that keeps parents informed and engaged on important district issues and Board actions because accountable leadership matters.

I received the Mayor's Spotlight Award for co-leading Peterson Elementary's annual Read Across America celebration, bringing more than 50 community leaders into classrooms each year to promote literacy and inspire young readers. As a former Huntington Beach Community & Library Services Commissioner, I advocated for transparency, public engagement, and responsible stewardship of our community resources.

Professionally, I serve as a Technical Education Advisor at an Orange County career-connected training center, helping students develop career skills, earn industry certifications, and prepare for successful careers. I have secured grant funding that has opened doors for at-risk youth and students with disabilities to receive vocational training, industry-recognized certifications, and life-changing opportunities.

Whether advocating for families, supporting students through difficult circumstances, or creating opportunities that change lives, I have always believed every child deserves someone willing to stand beside them.

I believe our strongest schools are built through transparency, community partnerships, and opportunities for every student to succeed. As your Trustee, I will continue bringing people together to protect our neighborhood schools, support academic excellence and career pathways, and ensure every child has the opportunity to thrive.

I would be honored to earn your vote for Huntington Beach City School District Trustee, Area 4.

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