TIMOTHY SURRIDGE Educational Consultant

For the last 25 years I have been blessed to serve students as a teacher, varsity basketball coach, technology learning specialist, and as a school administrator. My passion in life has been to work alongside our students and help them understand their strengths.

I previously served as a Governing Boardmember for the Orange Unified School District. During my tenure on the board I led efforts to form our District's first full language immersion school, the restoration of art and music programs in all of our elementary schools, and the adoption of solar energy and automated external defibrillators district wide.

I'm running again as I have become alarmed at the district's lack of focus regarding parent rights, academic excellence, and the outsized emphasis on cultural issues not related to student learning or success.

If elected, I'll commit to:

Support parental rights to send their children to schools that best fit each student and family;

Ensure transparency in classroom curriculum;

Cut waste in the budget and make sure education dollars are devoted to our classrooms;

Resist further implementation of CRT, DEI, and SEL programs; Expand breadth of programs for skilled trades.

It's important to keep our schools open for children, restore parents as the most vital partner in supporting our students' learning, and provide meaningful choices in educational options.

My candidacy is supported by education leaders in OUSD and county wide. Among my supporters are:

Mari Barke, Orange County Board of Education, Area 2 Dr. Ken Williams, Orange County Board of Education, Area 3 Tim Shaw, Orange County Board of Education, Area 4 Dr. Lisa Sparks, Orange County Board of Education, Area 5 John Ortega, Orange Unified Board of Education, Area 2 Angie Schleuter-Rumsey, Orange Unified Board of Education, Area 6

Rick Ledesma, Orange Unified Board of Education, Area 7

While the list goes on, my number one focus isn't to gather endorsements, but to support parents and ensure student success over the next decade.

I'd be honored to have your vote. For more information please visit my website "SurridgeforOUSD.com."