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**PENINSULA YOUNG DEMOCRATS ENDORSE GARY WADDELL FOR SAN MATEO COUNTY
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

May 8, 2018 – San Mateo, CA. Today, Gary Waddell, candidate for San Mateo County Superintendent of Schools, announced his endorsement by the Peninsula Young Democrats.

In announcing their support, President Lin Yang said, "I'm happy to announce that the Peninsula Young Democrats have endorsed Gary Waddell. We were very impressed by his big picture approach of bringing key stakeholders together to solve problems, and his promise to advocate for more resources from the state."

In response to PYD's endorsement, Gary said, "I am proud to have the support of progressive young Democrats. We share a vision of the future of San Mateo County that is equitable, inclusive, and forward-thinking."

The Peninsula Young Democrats' endorsement joins Gary's growing list of organizations endorsing Gary that includes the California Teachers Association (CTA) of San Mateo County, the San Mateo County Central Labor Council, local chapters of the California School Employees Association (CSEA) and Equality California.

Gary's full endorsement list can be viewed at <http://www.garywaddell.org/endorsements.html>

Dr. Gary Waddell is a candidate for San Mateo County Superintendent of Schools in the June 5, 2018, countywide election. One of the primary responsibilities of the County Superintendent is to ensure financial and academic stability of the County's 23 school districts that serve over 95,000 students. Dr. Waddell currently serves as the Deputy Superintendent of the San Mateo County Office of Education where he oversees the instructional services and programs and is second-in-command. He has more than 30 years of experience as a County administrator, school principal, teacher and school counselor at every educational level. Gary is a respected statewide leader in the field of education, and is a former Chair of California's prestigious statewide Curriculum and Instruction Steering Committee. He currently Chairs the statewide Visual and Performing Arts Committee and formerly served as Chair of the CA Mathematics Committee. He has been endorsed by over 250 elected and community leaders from across San Mateo County and California, including Congresswomen Jackie Speier and Anna Eshoo, Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torklakson, State Senator Scott Wiener, current and former State Assembly Members Kevin Mullin, Marc Berman, Rich Gordon and Phil Ting, as well as San Mateo County Supervisors David Canepa, Carole Groom, Don Horsley and Warren Slocum. His website is <http://www.garywaddell.org/>