## STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR FORESTHILL PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

Name: MARK C BELL

**Occupation: Retired Engineering Manager** 

### **Education and Qualifications:**

As a Director of the Foresthill Public Utility District for the past six years I have faithfully served all ratepayers while not yielding to outrageous and expensive demands of small interest groups. Used extra water stored behind Sugar Pine dam to reduce revenue required of rate payers, as demonstrated by the Rate Study and restructuring in 2021.

I bring a legacy of water interest and career skills dating back to my grandfather, who was President of a drinking water treatment facility.

During my 45 year career as a Chemical Engineer, Production Manager, and Engineering Manager for a high technology company, I successfully managed multi-million dollar budgets, expanded use of new technology to reduce costs, and was engineer in charge of running the private water treatment system.

During eight years as Director for a Townhouse Association in the positions of Treasurer and President, I took the Association from near bankruptcy to a secure financial position including; establishment of appropriate reserves, using minimal increases in homeowner dues, effective cost management, balanced budgeting, and forward planning.

I pledge to continue to bring my skills and passion to the office of Director of the FPUD and look for your support.

### STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR FORESTHILL PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

Name: RONALD R. THOMPSON
Occupation: Retired Crane Operator

### **Education and Qualifications:**

I am a retired second generation Local 3 Operating Engineer. I have extensive experience on many types of equipment finally settling on large crane operations. My first project was the Ralston Powerhouse. I've worked construction and maintenance of several dams in the area. My jobs also extended to water treatment plants, bridges, and buildings. I also built the Galleria and Thunder Valley Casino I will bring to the table over 50 years of knowledge and leadership to our water board

As a water board member, it is my intention to end this ridiculous never ending court appeals. We have entered into a black hole of legal debt from these practices. This must end!

As users of our Sugar Pine Dam water, we are all concerned about our viability and costs of maintaining our systems for water purity and a plentiful supply. I intend to bring back openness and clarity to our water district operation. Including water users and employees concerns. In this day and age, the necessity for truth and honesty has never been more important. We must remember to respect our communities needs and input.

Elect Ron Thompson. I will work hard for our District.

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Name: RICHARD MERZ
Occupation: Software Engineer

Education and Qualifications:

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I have over 50 years of experience in my profession. During that time I have been responsible for many software projects, from conception thru implementation. Project management, whether software, manufacturing, or construction all follow a similar process, and I am very familiar with that process. As we all know, the computer industry is constantly changing over time, and I have shown thru my profession that I have the ability to change with those times. This is depth of experience that I can give to the Foresthill Water District.