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A call to action on unfair property taxes



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It is first and foremost so very important that I bring this call to action to you once again.

As you know, there has been an activist group of property owners who have worked very hard to effect changes in the methods the Washoe County Tax Assessors Office is using to determine the value of your property for tax purposes.

These changes have to be implemented by a vote of the Tax Commission for Nevada. The commission has the final word to change or not to change the current rules and regulations.

I am sure you understand why the Appraisers Office for the Washoe County Tax Assessor is working on defeating the proposed changes.

With the property owners' help, a change can happen. The Tax Commission is the final authority and needs to know that

you are squarely behind this dedicated group.

Therefore, please don't miss the meeting of the Nevada Tax Commission at 9 a.m. Friday, June 25, in room 1214, 401 Carson Street, Carson City.

I was elected to the I Washoe County Board of Equalization, and I plan to serve all of Incline Village well.

We live in one of the most beautiful communities in the world, and in one's life, I believe there is a time to give back for what one has received, and in a way I have taken the position of giving back, to share what I have learned in the area of real estate.

Having been a real estate professional for more than 25 years, I have had an incredible opportunity to sit center stage to the world of property investments as well as home ownership. My position has not been limited to Incline Village, for my clientele have been from as far away as Europe. The scope of my work in finance and real estate has given me a valuable education.

It is my personal goal to keep the Incline Village property owners informed of the public meetings and workshops so that they might attend and gain a better knowledge of the procedure.

I will keep the community informed of changes to the procedures, and alert property owners of upcoming deadlines or

impending formal communications by the county.

In doing so, I will be able to assist the community in being alert to the issues that will affect their property taxes. I believe that with good information in hand, each property owner will be better able to understand the process and will be better prepared to meet the guidelines as set forth by the rules and regulations.

In the short time I have worked with the board members and the county staff, I have learned a great deal. I will work in future meetings to fine tune the positive changes that were discussed at the last workshop, and will work to see them implemented.

While there are limitations as to the scope of authority this board has, will be able to bring my real estate experience, a clear and realistic new approach to the, tasks, the workshops and meetings, and a willing and responsive ear to the public who attends.

I am a property owner myself, and I intend to bring my knowledge and expertise to the Board of Equalization for the benefit of all property owners in the area.

Ina Haupt is the owner of Premiere Properties of Lake Tahoe. She was just elected to the Washoe County Board of Equalization.