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RUDY MARTINEZ CONDEMNS HUIZAR’S CONSTITUENT DISCRIMINATION LISTS

LOS ANGELES, CA (January 18, 2011) – Yesterday the Los Angeles Times published the article titled “Huizar’s staff ranked political friends, foes” which details Councilmember Jose Huizar’s constituency discrimination lists. The lists graded individuals, police officers, fire stations, school principals, and non-profit organizations based upon their level of support to his political career.

“It’s appalling that a councilmember would even have a list and rate constituents according to their support and influence. Resident’s level of support or influence should not determine whether or not they are important to their community, to themselves and to city government,” said Rudy Martinez.

Jose Huizar has violated that sacred trust that underlies our constitutional form of government, by which it is only the voters who judge and grade elected officials on how well or poorly they are serving the public interest. Elected officials as public servants have no right to judge and grade citizens based on how supportive they are of a politician in public office.

“I would assume that the list is more sinister in nature and was used by Huizar to grant political favors; which undermines the principle of equal access to all. If Mr. Huizar was in touch with the community, he wouldn’t need to have a list,” added Martinez.

"Its time for Jose to come clean and release all the secret lists yet in his possession not yet seen by the public. The most important list yet to be released is the secret Downtown donor list. The public has a right to know the details of which council votes Jose traded for which dollars on development projects effecting Council District 14 residents,” said Eric Hacopian, Campaign Consultant.

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