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NARAL Pro-Choice California Denounces Misleading Mailer in Race for Assembly District 40

Anti-choice Republican Assemblymember Suzette Valladares' record of hostility to reproductive freedom speaks for itself

California — Today, NARAL Pro-Choice California issued a statement denouncing the misleading mail piece—paid for by the California Medical Association and California Apartment Association—in the race for Assembly District 40 where NARAL-endorsed candidate Pilar Schiavo is running to unseat anti-choice Republican Suzette Valladares.

NARAL Pro-Choice California Director Shannon Olivieri Hovis released the following statement:

"Voters in Assembly District 40 must not be misled by this deceptive mail piece claiming that anti-choice Republican Assemblymember Suzette Valladares supports reproductive freedom. To be crystal clear, Valladares earned an "F" on NARAL Pro-Choice California's Reproductive Freedom Legislative Scorecard. Time and again, Valladares has voted against reproductive freedom: she voted against bills to protect Californians from criminalization for pregnancy outcomes, stabilize California's abortion provider network, ensure that all people regardless of income can access abortion care, and much more. The mail piece is dangerous and entirely misrepresentative of Valladares' dismal record on reproductive freedom.

Pilar Schiavo is the only candidate in the race for Assembly District 40 who can be trusted to protect our fundamental reproductive freedoms. That is why she is the only candidate in this race endorsed by NARAL Pro-Choice California. On behalf of NARAL's more than 371,000 members in California, we will fight to ensure that Pilar Schiavo is elected to represent Assembly District 40 this November."

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For over 50 years, NARAL Pro-Choice America has fought to protect and advance reproductive freedom at the federal and state levels—including access to abortion care, birth control, pregnancy and post-partum care, and paid family leave—for every body. NARAL is powered by its 4 million members from every state and congressional district in the country, representing the 8 in 10 Americans who support legal abortion.

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